

CITY OF UNALASKA
UNALASKA, ALASKA
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 12, 2010

The regular meeting of the Unalaska City Council was called to order by Mayor Shirley Marquardt at 7:00 p.m., January 12, 2010, in the Unalaska City Hall Council Chambers. Roll call was taken and the following members were present:

Mayor - Shirley Marquardt
Members - Katherine McGlashan
- Dick Peck
- Dennis Robinson
- Zac Schasteen
- David Gregory
- Roger Rowland
Absent - None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Marquardt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Hearing no revisions, Mayor Marquardt approved the agenda.

MINUTES: Hearing no revisions, Mayor Marquardt declared the minutes of December 22, 2009 regular meeting adopted.

FINANCIAL REPORT: None

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS: None

AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS: None

MANAGER'S REPORT: City Manager's report included in packet.

COMMUNITY INPUT/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Thank you to everyone that worked on the fireworks show; very good show.
2. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Celebration Monday, January 18, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the community center.
3. Council Member Schasteen would like to encourage community members to donate money to Anchorage Police Officer, Jason Allen support fund at Key Bank.
4. National Ocean Sciences Bowl competition against council members will be on Wednesday, January 13, 2009 at the City Hall Council Chambers.
5. World War II Center will be showing Ending Jim Crow Days in Alaska, Sunday at 6 p.m.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Public Testimony on resolution 2010-01 taxicab rates would like the resolution to clarify the charter rate to be exclusive.

PUBLIC HEARING: None

WORK SESSION: Rowland move to adjourn to work session at 7:08 p.m., Schasteen second. Unanimous vote. Meeting reconvened to regular session at 8:30 p.m. Items discussed in the work session:

1. **QUARTERLY FISHERIES UPDATE**
2. **FY11 BUDGET – REVENUE PROJECTIONS**
3. **FY11 COUNCIL BUDGET GOALS**

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-01:** ESTABLISHING TAXICAB RATES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2010 AS REQUIRED BY UNALASKA CITY CODE.

Hearing no objections, Mayor Marquardt declared the Consent Agenda adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-02:** SUPPORTING THE ADOPTION BOARD OF FISHERIES PROPOSAL 111 TO CLOSE THE WATERS OF UNALASKA BAY TO GROUND FISH FISHING WITH TRAWL GEAR YEAR ROUND.

McGlashan move to adopt Resolution No. 2010-02, Gregory second.

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Public Testimony: Support this resolution, have commercial fished for 20 years; currently sit on UNFA board; this has been a topic for us. Appreciate the work Alaska Department of Fishing Game has done; thank you for your support on this issue.

Public Testimony: Oppose this resolution; Westward Seafoods buys Pollock from boats that catch part of their quota from the bay. We rely on that revenue which also supports the City. Believe it's an extraordinary measure to close the bay.

Public Testimony: Currently serve on Fish and Game Advisory Committee; support this resolution; believe this is good for the resource.

Discussion: Council discussion supports this resolution; closing this bay has a direct affect on subsistence fishing.

Council discussion supports this resolution; this will help local subsistence fishing.

Council discussions support this resolution; minimum we can do before the resource is gone.

Council discussion believes we should adopt this resolution; it's difficult to keep taking away from industry; this has a direct benefit if we close the bay.

VOTE: Unanimous

COUNCIL DIRECTIVES:

Rowland move to direct the City Manager to research a sliding rate tax on diesel fuel that diminishes the rate as price per gallon goes up or caps the dollar per gallon figure that the current 3% applies to and bring back a recommendation, Schasteen second.

Discussion: Council discussions feel we should lessen the tax on high fuel costs, to save fisherman money.

Council discussion would like to have City Manager bring back several options on this directive.

Council discussion would like to find an option to help the fisherman out; do not believe this is the way to help them.

VOTE: AYES-4, NAYS-2. Motion passes 4-2.

COMMUNITY INPUT/ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

Mayor Marquardt adjourned the meeting at 9:06 pm.


Jessica Earnshaw
Acting City Clerk

APPROVED
1/12/2010