

CITY OF UNALASKA
UNALASKA, ALASKA
REGULAR MEETING
December 11, 2012

The regular meeting of the Unalaska City Council was called to order by Mayor Shirley Marquardt at 7:00 p.m., December 11, 2012, in the Unalaska City Hall Council Chambers. Roll was taken:

PRESENT

Mayor

Shirley Marquardt
Zoya Johnson
Zac Schasteen
Tom Enlow
Roger Rowland
Dennis Robinson

ABSENT

David Gregory (Excused)

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

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: No visitors were introduced

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was adopted as presented.

MINUTES: The minutes of November 27, 2012 and November 28, 2012 were approved as submitted.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The October 2012 Financial Report was in the packet.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS

AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS: The City Clerk administered the oath to new police officer Kayla Bocim.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

1. City Manager Chris Hladick reported that he spoke with attendees at the fisheries meetings in Anchorage about oil and future plans for the area. He also thanked Shell for their assistance with placing the mooring buoy.
2. While in Anchorage, City Manager Chris Hladick met with Shell representatives about harbor operations. He will also meet with the US Coast Guard and the marine pilots to discuss anchorages. Approximately 22 vessels were in port this summer, and by 2014 or 2015, we anticipate as many as 50 vessels.

COMMUNITY INPUT/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Alaska Kids Are Our Kids (AKAOK) is asking that adults in the community decorate individualized stockings and provide a personal note of encouragement for students in the Unalaska City School. Each adult in attendance and in the television audience was asked to contact Pipa Escalante about a stocking.
2. Mayor Marquardt thanked Donia Guge and her children for decorating the City Hall Christmas tree. This is the third year they have decorated the tree. It began with a commitment to do service to the community by one of the Guge teenaged boys.
3. The UCSD volleyball team did well in the Anchorage tournament.
4. Four of the UCSD wrestlers placed at the State wrestling tournament.
5. General Mike Bridges wrote a letter of appreciation to the Mayor and the community recognizing the great commitment of the people of Unalaska to making this a wonderful place to live.
6. Tom Enlow is in his final year as a member of the North Pacific Fisheries Council Advisory Panel. He has served on the board since 2001, and he has been chair of the panel for the last eight years.
7. The PCR Glee Club cabaret will be Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. at the hotel.

8. There will be a huge PCR Christmas event on Saturday from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

PUBLIC INPUT

Jeff Hancock, owner of a tourism-specific business, urged the Council not to adopt Resolution 2012-77. He does not believe it addresses a proper use of the Bed Tax. He is also concerned that it might tie up Bed Tax funds for as many as ten years, thereby prohibiting other, more appropriate uses of the funds in the future.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. **ORDINANCE 2012-13:** AN ORDINANCE CREATING BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE FY13 BUDGET TO INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE, GRANT REVENUES, FUNDING FOR GRANTS TO NON-PROFITS AND GRANT SUPPLIES IN THE GENERAL FUND, GRANT REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES IN GOVERNMENTAL CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS FOR A GENERATOR, AND TO INCREASE PROJECT EXPENSES FOR A 150 KVA TRANSFORMER, A 500 KVA TRANSFORMER, AND BALER PLATEN RAM PROJECT

Mayor Marquardt opened the public hearing on Ordinance 2012-13. Hearing no comments from the public, Mayor Marquardt closed the public hearing.

WORK SESSION Johnson made a motion to move into a Work Session; Enlow seconded. VOTE: Motion Passed Unanimously

1. **ORDINANCE 2012-10:** ORDINANCE 2012-10 AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES TO BE ASSESSED FOR CITY-PROVIDED SERVICES

Port Director Peggy McLaughlin explained the housekeeping changes made to the Ports schedule. Schasteen expressed concern that the Carl E. Moses Ports fees were lower than those that appeared in the fee scheduled considered by Council in June of 2012.

2. **PRESENTATION:** PHASE 1 – WATER STUDY UPDATE

Dan Winters, Director of Public Utilities, presented the Phase I Water Study Update. Emphasis was placed on planning for the near future and for long-term issues that may arise with the water supply.

RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **RESOLUTION 2012-75:** ADOPTING AN ALTERNATIVE ALLOCATION METHOD FOR THE FY13 SHARED FISHERIES BUSINESS TAX PROGRAM AND CERTIFYING THAT THIS ALLOCATION METHOD FAIRLY REPRESENTS THE DISTRIBUTION OF SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS OF FISHERIES BUSINESS ACTIVITY IN THE ALEUTIAN ISLANDS FISHERIES MANAGEMENT AREA
2. **RESOLUTION 2012-78:** A RESOLUTION OF THE UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF CHRISTINA BALL AS A PUBLIC-AT-LARGE REPRESENTATIVE ON THE MUSEUM OF THE ALEUTIANS BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Hearing no concerns from the Council or the public, Mayor Marquardt declared the Consent Agenda adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **ORDINANCE 2012-13 – SECOND READING:** AN ORDINANCE CREATING BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE FY13 BUDGET TO INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE, GRANT REVENUES, FUNDING FOR GRANTS TO NON-PROFITS AND GRANT SUPPLIES IN THE GENERAL FUND, GRANT REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES IN GOVERNMENTAL CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS FOR A GENERATOR AND TO INCREASE PROJECT EXPENSES FOR A 150 KVA TRANSFORMER, A 500 KVA TRANSFORMER, AND BALER PLATEN RAM PROJECT.

Rowland made a motion to approve Ordinance 2012-13; Johnson seconded.

VOTE: Motion Passed Unanimously by Roll Call.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **ORDINANCE 2012-10 – FIRST READING:** AMENDING THE SCHEDULES OF FEES AND CHARGES TO BE ASSESSED FOR CITY-PROVIDED SERVICES

Rowland made a motion to move Ordinance 2012-10 to Public Hearing and Second Reading at the January 8, 2012 meeting; Enlow seconded.

Enlow asked that staff determine whether the fees charged for the Carl E. Moses dock were incorrect and if the fees charged were incorrect, whether or not a credit should be given to those affected.

VOTE: Motion Passed Unanimously

2. **RESOLUTION 2012-77:** A RESOLUTION OF THE UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING REPAYMENT FROM THE BED TAX FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE AMOUNT ADVANCED FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE MUSEUM OF THE ALEUTIANS RENOVATION PROJECT

Rowland made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-77; Schasteen seconded.

Robinson expressed concern that the Convention and Visitors Bureau's inability to hire an executive director may be linked to their inability to offer a competitive salary. By committing Bed Tax funds for the next few years, the City may be stifling the CVB's ability to operate effectively. Because the City owns the museum, the City should be willing to pay for the renovation of the museum from the General Fund and not ask that the museum repay the costs.

Rowland made a motion to amend Resolution 2012-77 to allow \$75,000 of the museum's request to come directly from the General Fund. The motion died for lack of a second.

One member of the public signed up to speak to the issue:

Jeff Hancock pointed out that the museum's Interpretive Plan says that the museum is primarily for local community members and, therefore, is not meant to draw visitors to the community. As a consequence, the museum does not fall within the original intention of the Bed Tax.

VOTE by Roll Call: Robinson – No; Schasteen – Yes; Enlow – No; Johnson – Yes; Rowland – Yes.

Motion Failed.

COUNCIL DIRECTIVES

COMMUNITY INPUT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Schasteen thanked all of those who attended the Firefighters' Ball. The annual event was, once again, very successful.
2. Mayor Marquardt announced that there would be no meeting the fourth Tuesday of December because it falls on Christmas Day. The next Council meeting will be January 8, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.



Elizabeth Masoni
City Clerk