

Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 28, 2023
6:00 p.m.



Unalaska City Hall
Council Chambers
43 Raven Way

Council Members
Thomas D. Bell
Darin Nicholson
Daneen Looby

Council Members
Dennis M. Robinson
Alejandro R. Tungul
Shari Coleman

UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL

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Mayor: Vincent M. Tutiakoff Sr. **City Manager:** Chris Hladick
City Clerk: Marjie Veeder, mveeder@ci.unalaska.ak.us

MINUTES

1. **Call to order.** Mayor Tutiakoff called the regular meeting of the Unalaska City Council to order on February 28, 2023, at 6:08 p.m. (delayed start due to technical difficulties).

Looby read the City's Mission Statement: To provide a sustainable quality of life through excellent stewardship of government.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Coleman led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll call.** The City Clerk called the roll. The Mayor and Council Members Bell, Tungul, Looby and Coleman were present in person, with Robinson attending remotely. Nicholson was absent.
4. **Recognition of Visitors.** The Mayor recognized Jathan Garrett and Nathan Epps from the Corps of Engineers; and Michael Tutiakoff from OCE.
5. **Adoption of Agenda.** Tungul moved to adopt the agenda with second by Coleman. There being no objection, the agenda was adopted by consensus.
6. **Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting.** Tungul moved to approve the proposed minutes of the council meeting held February 14, 2023, as presented, with second by Looby. There being no objection, the minutes were approved by consensus.
7. **Community Input & Announcements**
 - a. PCR Director Roger Blakeley made announcements about PCR Programs.
 - b. M. Lynn Crane made announcements for IFHS and USAFV.
 - c. Virginia Hatfield made announcements for the Museum of the Aleutians.
 - d. Rufina Shaishnikoff provided input to the City Council regarding the deterioration of Front Beach.
 - e. The City Clerk announced deadlines for submission of applications for Property Tax Exemptions, Sales Tax Refunds and submission of Business Personal Property Tax Returns; and reminded Mayor, Council, School Board and Planning Commission members of the deadline for submission of annual Public Official Financial Disclosures to APOC.

8. **Public Comment on Agenda Items.** None.

9. **Reports**

- a. Acting City Manager Bil Homka gave the Manager's Report and Chris Hladick and Dennis Robinson spoke about recent meetings in Juneau. Mr. Hladick responded to Council questions.
- b. Annual Reports from City Boards, Committees and Commissions
 - i. M. Lynn Crane, Chair of the Library Advisory Committee, presented their annual report. Librarian Karen Kresh responded to a question from Council about the opening date for the newly renovated library.
 - ii. Thomas Roufos, Chair of the Parks, Culture and Recreation Committee, presented their annual report.
 - iii. Ian Bagley, Vice Chair of the Planning Commission and Platting Board, presented their annual report.
 - iv. Ian Bagley, Vice Chair of the Historic Preservation Commission, presented their annual report. Council posed a question about the Henry Swanson House.

10. **Work Session.** Coleman moved to go into work session with second by Tungul. There being no objection, work session began at 6:47 p.m.

- a. Jathan Garrett, Project Manager & Nathan Epps, H&H Section Chief for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, provided an update to City Council regarding the Unalaska Bay Entrance Channel Dredging Project, and responded to questions from Council.

Tungul moved to return to regular session with second by Coleman; there being no objection, Council returned to regular session at 7:09 p.m.

11. **Regular Agenda**

- a. Resolution 2023-09: Amending the funding formula guide for the Community Support Grant Program to include revenue from Tobacco Excise Tax

Coleman moved to adopt Resolution 2023-09 with second by Looby.

Mr. Homka introduced the resolution to Council and the City Clerk provided background. Council discussion.

Roll call vote: Robinson – yes; Tungul – yes; Coleman – yes; Looby – yes; Bell – no. Resolution 2023-09 adopted with 4 yes votes.

12. **Council Directives to City Manager.** None.

13. **Community Input & Announcements.** None.

14. **Executive Session**

- a. Public Safety Department personnel matters

Bell moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Public Safety Department personnel matters, which if discussed in public, may tend to harm the reputation of a person. Present in Executive Session will be the Mayor and Council Members present at the meeting, City Attorney Brooks Chandler, Interim City Manager Chris Hladick and Acting City Manager Bil Homka. Second by Tungul. There being no objection, Council moved into Executive Session at 7:17 p.m.

On motion by Bell with second by Tungul, and there being no objection, Council returned from Executive Session at 8:08 p.m.

The Mayor announced that no action was taken in Executive Session.

15. **Adjournment.** Having completed all items on the agenda, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the Unalaska City Council on March 9, 2023.



Marjie Veeder, CMC
City Clerk

