

**Regular Meeting**  
**Tuesday, July 25, 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

*To Provide a Sustainable Quality of Life  
Through Excellent Stewardship of Government*

## **UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL**

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**Mayor:** Vincent M. Tutiakoff, Sr. **City Manager:** William Homka  
**Acting City Clerk:** Estkarlen P. Magdaong [emagdaong@ci.unalaska.ak.us](mailto:emagdaong@ci.unalaska.ak.us)

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## **MINUTES**

1. **Call to order.** Mayor Tutiakoff called the regular meeting of the Unalaska City Council to order on July 25, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.  
  
Nicholson read the City's Mission Statement: To provide a sustainable quality of life through excellent stewardship of government.
2. **Roll call.** Acting City Clerk called the roll. The Mayor and all Council Members were present. Mayor announced quorum established.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Recognition of Visitors.** No particular recognitions made.
5. **Adoption of Agenda.** Robinson moved to adopt the agenda, with a second by Nicholson. There being no objection, the agenda was adopted by consensus.
6. **Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting** Tungul made a motion to approve the proposed minutes of the July 11, 2023 Council Meeting as presented; with second by Robinson. There being no objection, the minutes were approved by consensus.
7. **City Manager Report.** Mr. Homka presented his report and responded to questions from Council.
8. **Community Input & Announcements** were made as follows:
  - a. Roger Blakely made an announcement for Unalaska Public Library.
  - b. Katherine McGlashan made announcements for Unalaska Visitor Bureau.
  - c. Steve Tompkins made announcements regarding the drinking water reservoir and Department of Utilities personnel.
  - d. M. Lynn Crane made an announcement regarding the celebration of life for Campbell McLaughlin.
  - e. Natalie Cale made announcements for OCCP and Ounalashka Corporation.

## 9. Public Comment on Agenda Items

- a. Emmett Fitch, CEO of OptimERA, Inc. provided comment for Resolution 2023-32.
- b. Acting City Clerk read into record the written comment by Jester Purtteman regarding Resolution 2023-32.

## 10. Regular Agenda

- a. Resolution 2023-32: Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a five-year Master Services Agreement with GCI Communication Corp. for Dedicated Internet Services

Tungul moved to adopt Resolution 2023-32, with second by Bell.

The City Manager introduced the resolution followed by Council discussion.

Information Systems Supervisor Jacob Whittaker, Emmett Fitch and City Manager Homka answered Council questions.

Roll call vote: Coleman – no; Bell – no; Nicholson – no; Robinson – no; Tungul – no; Looby – no; Motion failed: 0 aye, 6 nays

- b. Ordinance 2023-08: An Ordinance of the Unalaska City Council amending Unalaska Code of Ordinances § 3.56 Executives to allow the City Manager to negotiate the amount of personal leave for new executive level employees

Looby made a motion to introduce Ordinance 2023-08 and schedule it for public hearing and second reading on August 8, 2023, with second by Nicholson.

City Manager Homka introduced the ordinance and provided an overview of it followed by Council discussion.

All Council members voted in the affirmative scheduling Ordinance 2023-08 for public hearing and second reading on August 8, 2023.

11. **Council Directives to City Manager.** Robinson moved to direct the City Manager to evaluate all proposals on their face value to provide the safest and best internet service to the City. Redundancy is important. With a second by Bell.

Roll call vote: Robinson – yes; Tungul – yes; Coleman – yes; Looby – yes; Bell – yes; Nicholson – yes; Directive to City Manager passed 6-0

12. **Community Input & Announcements.** Acting City Clerk announced the candidacy period along with City Council and School Board seat vacancies. She also encouraged residents to register to vote.

13. **Adjournment.** Having completed all items on the agenda, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the City Council on August 8, 2023.

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Estkarlen P. Magdaong  
Acting City Clerk