

Regular Meeting
Tuesday, September 14, 2021
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

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MINUTES

1. Call to order

Mayor Tutiakoff called the September 14 regular meeting of the Unalaska City Council to order at 6pm in Council Chambers, City Hall, Unalaska.

2. Roll call

The City Clerk called the roll. The Mayor and all council members were present, with Council Members Nicholson, Tungul and Looby attending via telephone or Zoom.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Adoption of Agenda

Robinson moved to adopt the agenda; second by Coleman. Roll call vote: all council members voted in the affirmative. Motion passed 6-0.

5. Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings

Coleman moved to approve the minutes of the August 24 regular meeting and the September 7 special meeting as presented; second by Robinson. There being no objection, the minutes were adopted by consensus.

6. Reports

- a. City Manager: The City Manager presented her report and highlighted the dates for the federal lobbying trip meetings and the consensus was to plan for Dec. 6-9, 2021. The Manager also noted the invitation from OC and the Q-Tribe to attend the "Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons" meeting. Coleman commented about tsunami sirens; Robinson commented about fireworks shows.
- b. Financials June 2021: Interim Finance Director Jim Sharpe presented the financial reports for June 2021 and pointed out that FY21 revenue was the lowest in the past 10 years. Coleman and Robinson requested a recap of CARES spending. Robinson commented on reduced revenue due to Red King Crab closure and the potential Opilio Crab closure.

7. Community Input & Announcements: The Mayor provided an opportunity for community input and announcements.

- PCR Director Roger Blakeley announced Unalaska Community Radio Theater, “A Christmas Carol”, a radio play. Auditions are September 19; call PCR to schedule an audition.
- The City Clerk made announcements regarding the upcoming October 5 General Election. Election Day voting 8am to 8pm at City Hall. Early and absentee voting beginning tomorrow Sept. 15, Monday-Friday, 8am to 5pm at City Hall; with absentee voting running through October 4.

8. **Public Comment on Agenda Items:** No comments offered.

9. **Work Session**

Robinson moved to go into work session; second by Coleman. There being no objection, the Mayor announced work session at 6:29 p.m.

- Presentation, proposed Memorial to Fisherman of Unalaska, Karel Machalek.** Mr. Machalek commented regarding his proposed memorial. All council members (with the exception of Looby who was having technical connection issues) spoke in favor of the memorial.
- Strategies to Increase Return on Excess Reserves.** Interim Finance Director Jim Sharpe presented a continuation of this topic from last night’s council meeting; reviewed his memo to Council; and responded to council member questions. Evan Rose and Bill Lierman from Alaska Permanent Capital Management were present, commented and responded to council questions.
- Overview of City’s Haystack Antenna Site.** Planning Director Bil Homka gave a report to Council about the City’s Haystack Antenna Site.
- Discussion of City of Unalaska Mission Statement and Goals.** The City Manager opened the discussion, reviewing the past planning process and then the mission statement. Council provided direction on the mission statement. The manager then reviewed the goals identified by council and elicited council feedback on several of the goals.

Robinson moved to return to regular session; second by Coleman. There being no objection, motion adopted by consensus.

The Mayor announced a five minute break at 8:57 p.m.

Back in regular session at 9:04 pm.

10. **Consent Agenda**

- Resolution 2021-60: Appointing Judges and Clerks for the Regular Municipal Election on October 5, 2021 and Judges to serve on the Canvass Committee

Robinson moved to adopt the Consent Agenda; second by Coleman. All council members voted in the affirmative. Motion passed 6-0.

11. **Regular Agenda**

- Resolution 2021-61: Setting out community wide COVID-19 protective measures

Coleman moved to adopt Resolution 2021-61; second by Robinson.

The City Manager introduced the resolution. Council discussion ensued. IFHS Clinic Director Melanee Tiura gave an updated local active case count (38 active, of which 23 are industry/quarantined and 15 are community related); Tiura also responded to council questions.

Community members Jazzmyne Shapsnikoff and Jacob Whitaker offered public comments.

Looby moved to amend Resolution 2021-61 by striking the word "shall" in the third line and replacing it with "are encouraged to"; and striking subparagraphs 2(a), (b) and (c). Second by Coleman. Council discussion.

City Manager pointed out a problem with the wording of the document if the amendment is approved, and suggested a change in wording as a solution.

Looby moved to amend her amendment to leave in section 2(a) and change the word "required" in the first line of 2(a) to "encouraged"; second by Coleman. Council discussion ensued.

Roll call vote on the amendment: Coleman - yes; Bell - no; Looby – yes; Nicholson - no; Tungul - no; Robinson - no. Motion failed with two yes and four no.

Roll call vote on the main motion, Resolution 2021-61 as amended: Looby - no; Bell - yes; Nicholson - yes; Robinson - yes; Tungul - yes; Coleman - yes. Motion passes with five yes and one no.

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

13. **Community Input & Announcements.** Robinson announced that Governor Dunleavy called a 3rd special session of the legislature to begin October 1, 2021.

14. **Adjournment** Having completed all items on the agenda, Mayor Tutiakoff adjourned the meeting at 9:59 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the Unalaska City Council on September 28, 2021.



Marjie Veeder, CMC
City Clerk

