

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
FOR THE CITY OF THORNE BAY:
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TUESDAY March 21, 2017, 6:30 p.m.
There was a workshop beginning at 6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Gould called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE TO FLAG:

The audience and council stood for the pledge to the flag.

3. ROLL CALL:

Gould, Carlson, Slayton, and Edenfield were present. Hartwell, McDonald and Burger attended by phone.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Gould moved to approve the agenda. Hartwell seconded the motion. There was no further discussion.

MOTION: Move to approve the agenda

F/S: Gould/Hartwell

YEAS: Burger, Gould, McDonald, Carlson, Slayton, Edenfield and Hartwell

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Gould informed the public of the POWCAC Meeting on March 28th, in Thorne Bay at the Bay Chalet. The meeting will begin at 1:00, with lunch beginning at 12:00 p.m.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: (City Administrator & City Clerk)

Wayne Benner, City Administrator, reported the following:

Meetings Attended and Updates:

1. Next March 28 POWCAC meeting will be in Thorne Bay. Bay Chalet but the mayor has not set the menu.
2. The next POWLAT meeting is March 23 starting at 9:00 am at the VOTEC building in Klawock
3. The Southeast Conference meeting and other agency meetings were very productive. Briefly with Senator Stedman, Representative Tomkins, DNR, DOWL and DEC. Stedman talked about acquisition of tide lands and thought how to trade land for Oceanview subdivision. Tomkins encouraged continuation of the battle for better data and cell service on the island. Comments at the

conference ranged from good, to not so good, too bad. There is concern that changes coming from DC may have a major impact on life and operations in Alaska. From changes in the EPA (clean water) rules which could cut funding for water and sewer improvements but open the door for mining, eliminating funding of Medicaid would be detrimental to the health care operations, to eliminating the subsidy provided to rural air service will affect the lively hoods of everyone relying on plane service for mail, goods and transportation, in-port and ex-port taxes could have effects on Amazon, Walmart, Costco and other box stores which could increase the already high cost of living. On a positive note, more military spending will help the State economy and hopefully trickle down to the ship yard in Ketchikan. At the State cutbacks in AMHS service to Bellingham and Prince Rupert during the winter will impact access to SE, cut backs in education, especially with higher education will force people south. DNR had good news that Sonny Martin has been prosecuted for his barge and again strongly encouraged us to acquire the tide lands. The State Tourism is putting together a plan for Tourism Improvement Districts in hopes to raise funds to replace lost state funding. Again, this year there was a strong voice to the legislature not to balance the budget on the backs of the communities.

4. The mayor has responded with a formal approval for the POWVFW to hold a small memorial service on Memorial Day on the airplane float.

Tasks and Projects:

1. Still working on WM agreement. Trying to mesh Corporate and Municipal laws plus get them convinced that having agreements in place come before settling on scrap prices. Scrap prices are not up to \$150 a ton.
2. All the legislative grant projects are on hold waiting for winter to leave.

New Business:

- A. I have brought up the need to review some of the current zoning and proposed changes in zoning guidelines. There are currently areas that need to be zoned, revised waterfront guidelines, rewrite of all guidelines in a simpler format and the need to look at cell/communication towers. The only discussion, at this time, is whether the council wants to conduct a public workshop and when. I would recommend the city council set up a work shop to discuss these and other items on April 4th prior to the regular council meeting. The discussion at that workshop would be to discuss what needs to be addressed and set some direction. It may take a couple workshops or hearings to work through the details.

Ordinances for Introduction:

- A. Ordinance 17-03-07-01, amending Title 3-Revenue and Finance has been revised from the last council meeting and does not address any of the exemptions. The exemption section will be discussed at a later date. Craig and Klawock have concerns about many of the same exemptions and we hope to get together to discuss them.

B. Ordinance 17-02-07-02, amending Title 18 Harbor, Chapter 18.3-Rules for the use of the Harbor Facility has been revised and only adds clarification to current state and federal identifications, and since motorized vehicles are allowed on the floats removes motorized vehicles from being prohibited. The issue of parking and fuel that were discussed at the last council meeting have been removed and will be discussed on a later date.

Expenditures over \$2000: Water and Sewer costs are for restocking supplies used this winter for leak repairs and supplies to repair the known leaks that need repair this spring. Streets and Roads costs are to replace the gear that operates the circle turn on the grader.

Harbors and Parks: Notice the new picnic table in the park? The old one relocated down by the boat launch.

Streets and Roads: Another major gear on the grader decided it was time to fail. I have not confirmed yet but OVK maybe selling some road equipment.

Water and Sewer: Are still chasing water leaks but mostly small.

Solid Waste: SEASWA meeting was focused on Scrap metal and the need to do a much better operation of pulling hazardous materials from the waste stream. This weekend Mathew Peterson from Republic Services was in town and we toured the TB and Klawock facilities and talked about shipping and recycling.

Law Enforcement: I have not talked with Buck since being back from Juneau.

FIRE/EMS: If you did not attend the FIRE and EMS St Patties party you missed out. From my stand point went very well and I have found a new hobby as auctioneer.

Library: The new VISTA volunteer to replace Mark has been hired and she is currently attending VISTA training in LA.

City Clerk Teri Feibel reported the following financials:

Profit and Loss Report for FY17 YTD totals: Income - \$1,013,620.16, Expense - \$969,952.34

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Jason Clowar commented on the following:

- Expressed appreciation for taking his comments regarding proposed harbor ordinance amendments into consideration and removing them from the final ordinance. Thank you

Bruce Maldonado, EMS Captain, commented on the following:

- Thank you to the community for attending the EMS/Fire Fundraising Dinner. It was a great turn out.
- Appreciated James Taylor and his work in snow removal around town.

8. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

McDonald inquired how much the EMS and Fire Departments raised at their dinner. Edenfield replied it was approximately \$1,330.00 with more money coming in.

9. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Minutes for the February 21, 2017, Regular City Council Meeting, discussion, and action item:

Gould moved to approve the consent agenda. Edenfield seconded the motion. There was no further discussion.

MOTION: Move to approve the consent agenda

F/S: Gould/Edenfield

YEAS: Edenfield, Carlson, Slayton, Gould, Hartwell, McDonald and Burger

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Review of Thorne Bay Zoning Map and discussion of possible need for amendments to the zoning code and/or rezone of lands within the City Limits, discussion and action item: *This item is to discuss scheduling a public workshop with the Planning and Zoning Commission to review zoning code and suggested amendments to the zoning and rezoning of parcels within Thorne Bay. Suggest a workshop April 4, 2017, beginning at 5:00 p.m. preceding the regular city council meeting.*

Gould moved to schedule a PZ Workshop for 5:00 p.m. on April 4, 2017, to review the City Zoning Code and identify amendments needed. McDonald seconded the motion. There was further discussion.

MOTION: Move to schedule a PZ Workshop for 5:00 p.m. on April 4, 2017, to review the City Zoning Code and identify amendments needed

F/S: Gould/McDonald

YEAS: McDonald, Burger, Edenfield, Gould, Hartwell, Slayton and Carlson

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

11. ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION:

- A. Ordinance 17-03-21-01, amending Title 3-Revenue and Finance, discussion and action item:

Gould moved to approve Ordinance 17-03-21-01. Hartwell seconded the motion. Benner explained the changes in the ordinance were for housecleaning only and did not change the current intent of the ordinance. There was further discussion.

MOTION: Move to approve Ordinance 17-03-21-01

F/S: Gould/Hartwell

YEAS: Hartwell, Carlson, Burger, Edenfield, McDonald, Slayton and Gould

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

- B. Ordinance 17-03-21-02, amending Title 18-Harbor, Chapter 18.30- Rules for use of the Harbor Facilities, discussion and action item:

Gould moved to approve Ordinance 17-03-21-02. Hartwell seconded the motion. There was no further discussion.

MOTION: Move to approve Ordinance 17-03-21-02

F/S: Gould/Hartwell

YEAS: McDonald, Burger, Carlson, Gould, Hartwell, Slayton and Edenfield

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

12. EXPENDITURES EXCEEDING \$2,000.00:

- A. Expenditure exceeding \$2,000.00 for replacing Water/Sewer equipment and backup supplies, discussion and action item:

Gould moved to approve the expenditure of \$3,993.26, plus shipping, to HD Fowler. Edenfield seconded the motion. There was no further discussion.

MOTION: Move to approve the expenditure of \$3,993.26, plus shipping, to HD Fowler

F/S: Gould/Edenfield

YEAS: McDonald, Hartwell, Slayton, Gould, Carlson, Edenfield and Burger

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

- B. Expenditure of approximately \$7,000.00, to Weller Tractor Salvage for grader repair, discussion and action item:

Gould moved to approve the expenditure of approximately \$7,000.00, to Weller Tractor Salvage, for grader repairs. Carlson seconded the motion. There was no further discussion.

MOTION: Move to approve the expenditure of approximately \$7,000.00, to Weller Tractor Salvage, for grader repairs

F/S: Gould/Carlson

YEAS: Burger, McDonald, Edenfield, Gould, Hartwell, Slayton and Carlson

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION: The City Council may adjourn to executive session. The following subjects may be considered in an executive session: Matters, the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the city; subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person; matters that by law, municipal charter, or ordinance are required to be confidential; matters involving consideration of city records that by law are not subject to public disclosure. Action may not be taken at an executive session, except to give direction to an attorney or labor negotiator regarding the handling of a specific legal matter or pending labor negotiations

Slayton moved to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person. Carlson seconded the motion.

MOTION: Move to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person

F/S: Slayton/Carlson

YEAS: Burger, McDonald, Edenfield, Gould, Hartwell, Slayton and Carlson

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned for Executive Session at 7:07 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 7:18 p.m.

14. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT:

Trisha Clowar commented on the following:

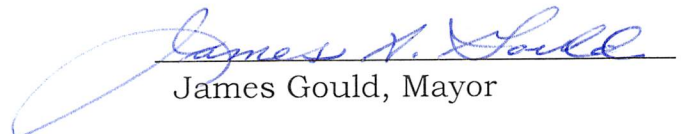
- Confirmed that the zoning workshop was to address lands that were currently not zoned, and not changing the zoning of existing zones.

15. CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL COMMENT:


There were no council comments.

16. ADJOURNMENT:

Gould adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.


James Gould, Mayor

ATTEST:


Teri Feibel, CMC