#### **MINUTES**

FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
FOR THE CITY OF THORNE BAY, ALASKA
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY HALL
March 5, 2019
6:30 p.m.

The meeting was preceded by a workshop beginning at 6:00 p.m.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

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

## 2. PLEDGE TO FLAG:

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

## 3. ROLL CALL:

Those present were: Edenfield, Carlson, Hartwell and Slayton

Those attending by phone: McDonald

Those excused: Williams, Burger

There was a quorum.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Hartwell moved to approve the agenda removing item 10 (B). Slayton seconded the motion. There was no further discussion.

MOTION: Move to approve the agenda removing Item 10B.

F/S: Hartwell / Slayton

YEAS: Edenfield, Hartwell, Carlson, Slayton, McDonald, Williams & Burger

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.



#### **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

- a. South Thorne Bay/Kasaan Road is now open.
- b. There will be flaggers for the future road work on the slide area. There is a possibility for a need to close the road for one day when installing culverts, but notice will be given.
- c. 2019 Session Priority Survey. Please complete and return to the City Clerk so we understand how the community feels about the session and possible cuts. The Clerk will mail the surveys to Representative Ortiz.
- d. The City has continued working with the State of Alaska DNR and our Attorney regarding the action to be taken on the Hendrix encroachment of the cul-de-sac right of way on Alder Road. The City was advised to inform them the actions that will be taken now that they have not moved their home as required in the notice to vacate. The City Attorney suggests an Executive Session as soon as the City Council has all returned.
- e. School Basketball Team. Hartwell stated he was able to present awards to the Basketball players at the School.

#### 2. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

#### a. CITY CLERK REPORT:

### Meetings Attended and Updates:

- A. Next POWCAC meeting in Craig at 1:00 p.m., on March 26<sup>th</sup> at the Tribal Center.
- **B.** Governor's proposed budget has serious impacts on the smaller communities like all of us here on POW. Alaska Municipal League has been following the legislative session very closely and is working with each community to explain the impacts the budget would have on us. There is an opportunity to send an Impact Statement to the legislatures showing the devastating effects that the budget will have on our community.

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Prior year Community Aide Assistance Funding the City received and the effects not receiving it would have on our budget:

		Community	
	Net Budget	Aide \$	If Didn't get it:
FY15	68,493.11	120,849.00	(52,355.89)
FY16	-16,720.91	115,852.00	(132,572.91)
FY17	6,157.74	76,511.00	(70,353.26)
FY18	107,269.66	88,180.00	19,089.66

## Tasks and Projects:

- A. RFP is out for the construction repairs and remodel work on the Bay Chalet and the Clinic. Bids are due March 8<sup>th</sup> by 4:00 p.m. This will include work on the Bay Chalet Community Building and remodeling of the Clinic to provide for operations of both a bank and the SEARHC Clinic. SEARHC has been preparing their part of the Clinic by painting, replacing the cabinets and redoing the floors. The City will pay for the structural remodel of the Clinic.
- B. The wire tie parts for the baler have arrived. A technical will be here next week to install the parts and work with the Solid Waste crew on getting everything back up and running so we no longer have to deliver our garbage to Klawock. This will save the City \$70,000 per year.

### Continuing Business

- A. OVK had some great news for many when they announced the South Thorne Bay/Kasaan Road would be opening on the evening of March 5<sup>th</sup>. As the road repairs continue in the next few weeks you can expect delays during the day & flaggers will be on site. A culvert still needs to be installed so there may be a day that the road is closed, but there will be plenty of notice given.
  - a. We will be scheduling a meeting between the City, OVK, USFS, to amend the DSR now that we know what condition the road is in underneath all of the rubbish. Sara will be contacting me with a date and time once she hears back from the USFS.
- B. Wayne and I have been working with the State of Alaska DNR and our Attorney regarding the action to be taken on the Hendrix encroachment of the cul-de-sac right of way on Alder Road.
- C. I am working with Ron on ordering the parking signs as discussed at the last meeting. We are creating a map that will show the assigned parking areas such as Loading Only, Live Aboard and Commuter Parking, 12 Hour Parking, 72 Hour Parking and Permit Parking areas.

#### **New Business:**

- A. Appointment of a Mayor Pro-Tem who will have the authority to execute documents on the behalf of the City of Thorne Bay during the absence of both the Mayor and Vice Mayor. This is self-explanatory. We need someone that is present and able to sign documents on the City's behalf.
- B. Lease of City Property.
  - a. We are holding off on this lease until Jo is able to be here to answer any questions.

    We have a couple of things to review in the lease terms, and want to be able to

    answer any questions the Council has when presented. THANK YOU
- C. Authorizing the City to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, for the participation in the Village Public Safety Officer Program (VPSO).......
  - We did have a VPSO lined up to interview in Thorne Bay, but he backed out at the
    last minute. We do have another prospect, and will I will keep you posted as I know
    more. Depending on how quickly we move, I will need one councilmember to
    participate in the interviewing process of the VPSO.

## Ordinances for Public Hearing:

A. Ordinance 19-03-05-01, adds a new section that establishes Operations and Procedures.

Harbors and Parks: Ron is here...

Streets and Roads: Assisting OVK with the cleanup of the Landslide. Materials are being stored at the Solid Waste Facility. Maintaining the Kasaan Bypass road has added extra time with plowing and sanding.

Water and Sewer: Teleconference with DEC today to discuss our Alternative Method of Supervision (AMOSS) for the Water/Sewer operations. We will continue to contract with David Nelson of Craig until Sam gets his Level II certifications. Sam will start his Level II Course Training via online courses on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. After he has completed the course, he will take his Level II Operator Exam and once he passes, Thorne Bay should be compliant with our operator requirements.

**Solid Waste:** Will be working on installing the Wire Tie machine and getting the baler back on track for baling our own Solid Waste. That will be HUGE savings. BIG THANKS to Ron Wendel for his assistance with this.

Law Enforcement: Sounds like the Governor's budget may have a financial impact for both the Trooper and VPSO programs.

Library: Lana is in Juneau attending the Alaska Library Association Conference. Katie Martin and Karen Petersen are both joining her as well.

Library was awarded a Tier 1 Rasmussen Grant for new Computers and Software at the Library. This is HUGE for the library as they are required to have been awarded a Tier 1 Grant to be eligible for a Tier II Grant, which is what they are applying for to assist with the New Library.

#### 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

## Rodger Longbothom:

- 1. Thank Thorne Bay and OVK for efforts to get money together for fixing the road.
- Discussed the Road Ownership documents that were online and requested to see the document "Road Maintenance agreement" that was referred to between Thorne Bay and USFS.

#### Jim McFarland:

- 1. Congratulated the Highschool Basketball Team on making the Regional Playoffs with a 15-1 conference play. The Boys will now go to regional playoffs on March  $13-16^{th}$ , leaving  $11-18^{th}$ .
- 2. McFarland stated the games would be online for those who have access.

### Eric Rhodes:

- 1. Thank council and employees for getting the bypass roads open.
- 2. Expressed disappointment for the City not getting the slide cleaned sooner.
- 3. The next time this occurs, will we be waiting for someone else to take action?
- 4. What is the criteria for spending city money in crises in the future.

#### Laura Clark:

1. Expressed dissatisfaction for the City not acting to have the vehicles parked on the road right-of-way of Rainy Lane removed. Explained this concern was brought to the Council at prior meetings, and discussions were held with the City Administration.

### Brad Clark:

- 1. Thank all who helped to get the road open. As a parent if daughter has issue don't have to worry about getting her over bypass.
- 2. Commented on the beauty of Thorne Bay and encouraged the City Council to utilize the laws in place to get rid of junked vehicles.

#### Sean Kaer:

- 1. Explained there were many junked vehicles in the South Thorne Bay area and added that there was "Can Drop" on his road where people continue to bring their cans, but nothing is ever done with them, causing the area to look like junk.
- 2. Commented on the new library building and stated that although he had not seen the plans for the library, many times the costs to maintain the buildings are high such as the bills and heating costs.
- 3. Inquired if the City was paying for Sam Sawyers Water Treatment Level II certification or if he was paying for that.

### Dan Romey:

- 1. Are there any plans in the works for a Seaplane dock at Davidson?
  - b. Ron Yes, we are working on this, and are speaking with someone in Ketchikan about this now.

#### 6. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

# Ray Slayton:

- 1. Requested the City Clerk inform the council and audience who paid for Sam Sawyer's certifications..
- 2. Inquired if the City had done anything on the parking issue on Rainy Lane that was brought at last meeting? And stated he was of the understanding we were going to do something about it.

#### **Bob Hartwell:**

- 1. If I am Mayor Pro-Tem, I will go and tell them to move or I will fine them
- 2. There are cars at Goose Creek piling up as well.

## Slayton:

1. Stated there were FLAP Grants available and that he intended to put something together for boat ramp at RATZ to provide better access to Etalon.

#### 7. CONSENT AGENDA:

a. MINUTES: Approval of the Minutes for the Regular February 19, 2019:

Hartwell moved to approve the consent agenda. Slayton added Tierney requested "negative". Slayton seconded the motion. There was further discussion.

MOTION: Move to approve the consent agenda, consisting of the February 19, 2019,

Regular City Council Meeting Minutes, amending the Minutes to include

Tierney's Comments were of "Negative Opinion"

F/S: Hartwell/Slayton

YEAS: Edenfield, Hartwell, Carlson, Slayton, McDonald, Williams & Burger

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

#### 8. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Appointment of a Mayor Pro-Tem who will have the authority to execute documents on the behalf of the City of Thorne Bay during the absence of both the Mayor and Vice Mayor, discussion and action item:

Hartwell moved to approve appointment of a Mayor Pro-Tem. McDonald seconded the motion. McDonald nominated Bob Hartwell as Mayor Pro-Tem. Slayton seconded the Motion. There was no further discussion.

MOTION: Move to appoint Bob Hartwell as Mayor Pro-Tem

F/S: McDonald/Slayton

YEAS: McDonald, Edenfield, Hartwell, Carlson, Burger, Slayton, & Williams

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

b. <u>Authorizing the City to enter into a long-term rental agreement with Jo Wendel</u> for the rental of Lot 5, Downtown Business District, discussion and action item:

Postponed to March 19 meeting.

c. <u>Authorizing the City to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, for the participation in the Village Public Safety Officer Program (VPSO), discussion and action item:</u>

Hartwell move to authorize the City to enter into Memorandum of Agreement with the Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, for the participation in the Village Public Safety Officer Program (VPSO). Edenfield seconded the motion.

MOTION: Move to authorize the City to enter into Memorandum of Agreement with the

Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, for the participation in the Village Public

Safety Officer Program (VPSO)

F/S: Hartwell/Edenfield

YEAS: McDonald, Edenfield, Hartwell, Williams Carlson, Burger & Slayton

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

d. <u>RESOLUTION 19-03-05-01</u>: Opposing the Governors Proposed FY20 Budget, discussion and action item:

Hartwell moved to approve Resolution 19-03-05-01. Slayton seconded the motion. Hartwell explained the resolution. Hartwell stated he provided a handout to the public a handout that was a survey on the priorities for the legislative session.

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 19-03-05-01

F/S: Hartwell/Slayton

YEAS: McDonald, Edenfield, Hartwell, Carlson, Burger, Slayton, & Williams

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

## 9. ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION: None

### 10.ORDINANCE FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

e. <u>Ordinance 19-03-05-01</u>, amending Title 19 - Library, Chapter 9.04 – Establishment, adding Section 19.04.025, Subsections A, B & C, discussion and action item:

Hartwell move to approve Ordinance 19-03-05-01, amending Title 19 - Library, Chapter 9.04 – Establishment, adding Section 19.04.025, Subsections A, B & C. Slayton seconded the motion.

MOTION: Move to approve Ordinance 19-03-05-01, amending Title 19 - Library, Chapter

9.04 - Establishment, adding Section 19.04.025, Subsections A, B & C.

F/S: Hartwell/Slayton

YEAS: McDonald, Edenfield, Hartwell, Carlson, Burger, Slayton, & Williams

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

## 11.EXPENDITURES EXCEEDING \$2,000.00:

## 12. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT:

Harbormaster Wendel:

- 1. Informed the public that the March 31<sup>st</sup> date that was given for ending free parking and moorage is final now the road is open.
- 2. Those who want to rent a skiff apply, those who are done using harbor please give in writing and put through harbor or city door. If you want to know cost, please let us know.

#### Sean Kaer:

Provided the following comments on the FY20 Governor Budget:

1. the University has a lot of land and could be selling that for revenue same as Mental Health.

# 13. CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL COMMENT:

Slayton:

- 1. Do we have plenty of slips come up for when the Federal Road Improvement happen?
- 2. Slayton will have East POW Advisory Committee meeting at City Hall on Friday at 4pm. Everyone is invited. IF you have something you want brought to fish and game attention please.

# **14.ADJOURNMENT:**

Hartwell adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

ORNE BA Robert Hartwell, Mayor Pro-Tem ATTEST: Teri Feibel, CMC OUNDED.