MINUTES

FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING

OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THORNE BAY

TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021 TIME: 6:00 p.m.

MEETING WAS HELD VIA-WEBEX VIDEO/TELECONFERENCING LINE

1) CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Edenfield called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2) PLEDGE TO FLAG:

The council and audience pledged to the flag.

3) ROLL CALL:

Those in attendance were: All Councilmembers participated.

Edenfield, Craske, Kerkof, Cunningham, Rhodes & Stram

Not present:

Burger

4) APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

MOTION:

Move to approve the agenda

F/S:

Edenfield / Kerkof

YFAS:

Stram, Edenfield, Craske, Rhodes, Cunningham & Kerkof

NAYS:

STATUS:

Motion Passed.

5) PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Lavenia Sylvia commented on the following:

• As a second-class city, the City is responsible for providing fire coverage for the residents. The City has a poor record of providing that coverage, so the council needs to act on this.

6) COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mayor Edenfield commented on the following:

Purpose of the meeting is to get the Fire Department back in compliance

Kerkof commented on the following:

- Understand half a dozen people resigned from the Fire Department.
- Would like to see a list of who we have left and their qualifications and trainings

Edenfield stated she would speak with McGinnis regarding this.

Craske commented on the following:

- Agrees with Lavenia Sylvia.
- Confident that a VPSO that had training in Sitka is qualified.

Administrator Carter:

- VPSO Matthew McGinnis has certifications as Fire Chief.
- Working on getting fire trainings in Thorne Bay to get all Fire Department certified. The training is a 40-hour course, which is a big commitment for those who volunteer.

Kerkof commented on the following:

• Do the City Employees know that they are a part of the Fire Department?

Administrator responded that they were aware and discussed recently when recertifying with the state and at the last two staff meetings.

Cunningham commented on the following:

• Clear a division of South and North Thorne Bay since half dozen resigned. Why did those resign? Was it laying with an individual or what?

7) CONTINUING BUSINESS:

Edenfield Moved to appointing Matthew McGinnis as the Fire Chief for the Thorne Bay Volunteer Fire Department, discussion and action item:

MOTION:

Move to appoint Matthew McGinnis as the Fire Chief for the Thorne Bay

Volunteer Fire Department

F/S:

Edenfield/Kerkof

YEAS:

Stram, Edenfield, Craske, Rhodes, Cunningham & Kerkof

NAYS:

None

STATUS:

Motion Passed.

8) CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT:

No further public comments.

9) CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL COMMENT:

No further council comments.

10) ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Edenfield adjourned the meeting at 6:11 p.m.

Cindy Edenfield, Mayor

ATTEST:

Teri Feibel, CMC