

AGENDA

FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE
CITY OF THORNE BAY, ALASKA
TUESDAY, December 6, 2022

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

THERE WILL BE A WORKSHOP BEGINNING AT 6:00PM

LOCATION: IN PERSON AT CITY HALL or TELECONFERENCE/VIDEO CONFERENCING LINE

Phone Number: 1- 650-479-3208

Meeting Link:

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Meeting number: 182 323 7632 Password MghMxgJy424 (64469459 from phones and video systems)

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POSTED: December 2, 2022

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1) CALL TO ORDER:

Burger galled the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

2) PLEDGE TO FLAG:

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

3) OATH OF OFFICE:

a) Robert Hartwell, Seat A

Robert Hartwell pledged his oath of office for his 3-year term in Seat A.

4) ROLL CALL:

Those present were:

Burger, Jennings, Stram, LaVoie, Nyquest, Oatman & Hartwell.

5) APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Burger moved to approve the agenda as written. Hartwell seconded the motion. There was no further discussion.

MOTION: Move to approve the agenda

F/S: Burger/Hartwell

YEAS: Burger, Stram, Hartwell, Jennings, LaVoie, Oatman & Nyquest

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed

6) MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Burger reported the following:

- Was going to comment on the update for the Broadband internet application that AP&T is putting in for us on the Reconnect Grant, but it was discussed in the workshop.

7) ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

a) **City Administrator:**

John Huestis provided the following Administrator report.

Working on typical fall/winter maintenance issues and special projects as required.

- Staff will be working on installing the no parking signs along southside roads for snow plowing season, along with a few speed limit signs, in the next couple weeks.
- I have been working on several grant possibilities for the Kasaan Access Road and will be for the

foreseeable future. Some of the most promising opportunities are through the Tribal Transportation Program administered by OVK.

- The City of Thorne Bay's AP&T Broadband application is nearing completion and should be very competitive. AP&T visited the City Clerk, Mayor and Vice Mayor last Saturday on their tour of the area.
- We have been screening sand and hauling to our Solid Waste Facility and our City Shop stockpiles in preparation for wintertime ice/snow sanding operations.
- The Davidson Landing Fire/EMS Hall design should be completed in the next week or two. We are currently getting permits and approvals as needed from the DEC and Fire Marshal. I plan to apply for another grant for construction soon.
- Tideline Construction should be around next week to begin crushing our aggregate at the City's Sandy Beach Road pit.

b) **City Clerk/Treasurer:**

- **Newly Elected Officials (VIRTUAL) - Wednesday, November 30th**
 - 9:00am - Zoom Trainings Begins**
 - Roles and Responsibilities of Municipal Officials
 - Parliamentary Procedure
 - Noon - Break for lunch**
 - 1:00pm - Newly Elected Officials Training via Zoom**
 - Ethics and Conflict of Interest
 - Open Meetings Act
 - Quasi-Judicial Role and Ex Parte Contact

Jason Custer, AP&T's Vice President, Business Development, met with Mayor Burger, Councilman Jennings and myself on Saturday to discuss the Reconnect Grant application that they would be submitting on our behalf for fiber optic into Thorne Bay.

He had initially planned the trip so he could be here when the barge brought the fiber optic line into Coffman Cove, but the barge was two days ahead of schedule, so they missed it.

Accompanying him was Alex Ortiz, who is the Chief of Staff for Congresswoman Mary Peltola. Alex served as the Chief of Staff for late Rep. Don Young, and worked for Senator Stevens for a short time as well. Alex actually grew up in Ketchikan and so he is familiar with some of our struggles in Southeast with Internet and Cellular service issues. He requested that Thorne Bay provide him a list of our capital improvement projects so he could try to get some put through the Rep

8) **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Victoria Anderson, EMS Coordinator commented on the following:

- November 18th at 6pm in City Hall Chambers, elect new officers for the C-Corp with EMS. We want to invite everyone. It would be nice to have Non-EMS members in the community involved. 7 positions available, meet once a year.
- Currently have 8 people in the EMT-1 class. It is online, and I am offering 7-labs within that course. Hope to have 8 EMT-1 and 1 EMT-2 by the end of the year, not including myself.
- Looking for people that will help us to look for grants, as our budget is very limited. We are always

looking for people to help with getting grants.

- We were down to 1-ambulance, but now have 2 working again. We have equipment for two of them. Hoping to stock both ambulances so we have one on southside and one on northside for quicker response times.
 - All responders do have jump bags, but we need more of the equipment on the ambulance.
 - Currently have 26 EMS volunteers for Dispatchers, Drivers and Responders.
 - Need more dispatchers as we now will be dispatching on Friday's during the day as well.
 - Working on our Standard Operating Procedures, they have been with the director for a few months. We have been working under the State's in the meantime
 - Working on scheduling an ETT class for the City. Trying to schedule with the City Office staff so they can all attend.
 - Next monthly EMS Meeting is November 4th at 6:30pm in the Northside Fire Hall.
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- Will be doing the Thanksgiving Community Dinner at 3pm at the Lodge, everyone is welcome, it is always a great time.

9) COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Oatman commented on the following:

- Do we have an update on the EMS Boat?
 - Lee, is at Chet's he has the equipment needed, but needs to install it.
 - It would be nice to have this in the water to assist responders in getting to Southside much quicker.
 - Victoria Anderson inquired if the City has a quote on the cost for the boat, and please let her know when it is available as historically Gary Anderson has used his boat to transport responders across the bay.
- Hate to see you go Teri, but happy for you.

10) CONSENT AGENDA:

- a) MINUTES
 - i. Minutes of the October 17, 2022, Regular City Council Meeting, discussion and action item:
 - ii. Minutes of the September 20, 2022, Regular City Council Meeting, discussion and action item:

Burger moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes for the October 17th and September 20th

MOTION: Move to approve the agenda

F/S: Burger/Hartwell

YEAS: Burger, Stram, Hartwell, Jennings, LaVoie, Oatman & Nyquest

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed

11) NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Resolution 22-11-01-01, accepting the resignation of Teri Feibel as the City

Clerk/Treasurer for the City of Thorne Bay and declaring the office of the City Clerk vacant effective November 30, 2022, discussion and action item:

Burger moved to approve Resolution 22-11-01-01. Oatman seconded the motion.

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 22-11-01-01, accepting the resignation of Teri Feibel as the City Clerk/Treasurer

F/S: Burger/

YEAS: Burger, Stram, Hartwell, Jennings, LaVoie, Oatman & Nyquest

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed

12) CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no further public comments.

13) CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL COMMENT:

Jennings commented on the following:

- Thank Teri for all of her work for the City and the community

14) ADJOURNMENT:

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