

## MINUTES

FOR THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE  
CITY OF THORNE BAY, ALASKA

TUESDAY, March 5, 2024

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

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### THERE WAS A WORKSHOP OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD AT 6:00PM

#### 1) CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Mayor Burger 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) OATH OF OFFICERS:

- a) Vice Mayor: Lee Burger
- b) Seat D: Anthony Lovell

#### 4) ROLL CALL:

Those present were:

Blair, LaVoie, Burger, Lovell, Hartwell & Kaer

Those absent were:

Nyquest

#### 5) APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Burger moved to approve the agenda. Blair seconded the motion. No Further Discussion.

MOTION: Move to approve the Agenda.  
F/S: Burger/Blair  
YEAS: Kaer, Blair, LaVoie, Burger, Hartwell, Lovell  
NAYS: None  
STATUS: Motion Passed.

#### 6) MAYOR'S REPORT:

Vice Mayor Burger reported that the Mayor has had surgery and is recovering.

#### 7) ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- a) City Administrator: Attached in Minutes
- b) Clerk: Attached in Minutes

#### 8) DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- a) WATER: Attached in Minutes
- b) EMS: No report given
- c) VPSO: Will West reported 115 calls, not all emergencies. Updated the council on the progress of hiring a new VPSO and reported the need for a possible 3<sup>rd</sup> VPSO.

#### 9) PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- none

#### 10) COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- none

#### 11) CONSENT AGENDA:

- a) Minutes of the February 6, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting, discussion and action item:

Burger moved to approve the Consent Agenda of February 6, 2024 Regularly City Council Meeting, Blair seconded. Discussion none.

MOTION: Move to approve the Consent Agenda of February 6, 2024 Regularly City Council Meeting  
F/S: Burger/  
YEAS: Kaer, LaVoie, Burger, Hartwell, Lovell, Blair  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Nyquest  
STATUS: Motion Passed

## 12) NEW BUSINESS:

a) **Resolution 24-03-05-01:** Updating Signers on the Tongass Federal Credit Union Account discussion and action item;

Burger moved to approve Resolution 24-03-05-01, Updating Signers on the TFCU Account, Blair seconded. No further discussion

MOTION: Move to approve the  
F/S: Burger/  
YEAS: Kaer, LaVoie, Burger, Hartwell, Lovell, Blair  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Nyquest  
STATUS: Motion Passed

b) **Conditional Use Permit Application** for Atlas Towers, Discussion and possible action item; Burger Moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit Application for discussion, Lovell seconded.

Huestis Clarified that if the lease is approved, the purpose would require a CUP. A Public Hearing will be held at the next meeting. City is the owner and would be processing the permit ourselves. Atlas has already submitted a Development plan already. Land is zoned public and we will be reaching out to the neighboring properties. This is just an introduction.

## 13) ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

a) **Non-Code Ordinance 24-03-05-01:** Approving the Long-term Lease with Atlas Towers discussion and action item;

Burger moved to approve the Long-term Lease with Atlas Towers, Hartwell seconded, Discussion as follows:

- Huestis commented that Atlas Towers is seeking a 50x50ft piece of land and they are looking at the lot by out City Shop. There is road access already, they would be improving the base, putting up fencing, and small buildings to house power. They would have 24/7 access to the lot. Continued with financial details included in the lease. Explained the 3 year "option" of the lease and when the lease would take effect. Explained the option to choose another location within the 3 year period.
- Burger asked that the timeframe is for the construction and Huestis clarified the terms of lease.
- Lovell asked if the \$2000 was a good deal to hold the land for 3 years? Huestis responded that they offered nothing until we asked for good faith money, and the land is not in high demand.

MOTION: Move to approve the Long-term Lease with Atlas Towers  
F/S: Burger/Hartwell  
YEAS: Kaer, LaVoie, Burger, Hartwell, Lovell, Blair  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Nyquest  
STATUS: Motion Passed

14) ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION:

15) CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT:

- None

16) CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL COMMENT:

- None

17) ADJOURNMENT:

Vice Mayor Burger adjourned the meeting at 7:02 pm.



Shane Nyquest, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Caitlyn Sawyer, City Clerk/Treasurer