

MINUTES

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

TUESDAY, April 2, 2024

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

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

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Tiana LaVoie 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:

Those present were:

Blair, LaVoie, Burger, Lovell, Hartwell & Kaer

Those absent were:

Nyquest

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Tiana moved to approve the agenda. Lovell seconded the motion. No Further Discussion.

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

5. **MAYOR'S REPORT:** Vice Mayor reported for Mayor Nyquest. Huestis reported that Nyquest is on the mend and will hopefully be well enough to be home soon.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

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

7. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- a) WATER: Attached
- b) Harbor: Attached
- c) EMS: Tony Lovell reported for EMS. See attached.
- d) VPSO: Will West is out, no report given.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Sam Sawyer commented that the basketball court needs some work. Painting and lights especially.
- Tim Lindseth thanked the City Admin's help patching the road and hiring Reids.

9. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- Kaer questioned if the basketball court was cement or asphalt, question was answered by Tim Lindseth. Continued with a question about why we need another ambulance, where it would go, if it would be kept covered.
- Lovell responded with Ambulance specifications, and that one ambulance has ongoing issues. Need for an update ambulance if it's available.

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- Lovell responded to Sam Sawyer's concern of the basketball court, looking for a bullet list for community members to aide in restoration. (Sam Sawyer: pitting, paint, weather erosion. Weatherized/covered/lighted court would be ideal).
- Huestis commented that Amy Jennings got a quote of \$13/14K to fix lighting, but unsure of the quotes contents. Will revisit and see what the lighting would cost. Will also look into some kind of repair for the pitting.
- Kaer can we pay APT to get lights mounted to poles?
- Lovell commented that the EMS Firehall does not have a gutter on the backside? Could be added in the future?
- Huestis clarified that it was not maintained and was constantly clogged with leaves And debris.

10. PUBLIC HEARING:

- a) Resolution 24-04-02-01-PZ Public Hearing on City of Thorne Bay for Atlas Towers Conditional Use Permit for Telecommunications Tower Construction on Tract EGP, Sandy Beach Road: Tiana moved to approve Resolution 24-04-02-01-PZ Public Hearing on City of Thorne Bay for Atlas Towers Conditional Use Permit for Telecommunications Tower Construction on Tract EGP, Sandy Beach Road, Kaer seconded. Discussion as follows:

Huestis provided an overview of the Resolution. Parcel is zoned Public and requires a Conditional Use Permit.

Public Comments: None

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 24-04-02-01-PZ Public Hearing on City of Thorne Bay for Atlas Towers Conditional Use Permit for Telecommunications Tower Construction on Tract EGP, Sandy Beach Road, Kaer seconded, no further discussion.

F/S: Tiana/Kaer
YEAS: Kaer, LaVoie, Burger, Hartwell, Lovell, Blair
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Nyquest
STATUS: Motion Passed

11. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a) Minutes of the March 5, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting, discussion and action item:
Tiana moved to approve the Consent Agenda of March 5, 2024 Regularly City Council Meeting, Lovell seconded. Discussion none.

MOTION: Move to approve the Consent Agenda of March 5, 2024 Regularly City Council Meeting
F/S: Tiana/ Lovell
YEAS: Kaer, LaVoie, Burger, Hartwell, Lovell, Blair
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Nyquest
STATUS: Motion Passed

further discussion

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 24-04-02-02: Authorizing Adventure Alaska to Rent Additional Boat Stalls Within the Main Throne Bay Harbor. Discussion and Action Item

F/S: Tiana/ Lovell

YEAS: Kaer, LaVoie, Burger, Hartwell, Lovell, Blair

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Nyquest

STATUS: Motion Passed

b) Resolution 24-04-02-02: Approving the 6 month renewal for Deana Cotrell in RV Lot 1, Discussion and Action Item;

Tiana moved to approve Resolution 24-04-02-02: Approving the 6 month renewal for Deana Cotrell in RV Lot 1, Lovell Seconded, Discussion and Action Item

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 24-04-02-02: Approving the 6 month renewal for Deana Cotrell in RV Lot 1, Discussion and Action Item

F/S: Tiana/

YEAS: Kaer, LaVoie, Burger, Hartwell, Lovell, Blair

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Nyquest

STATUS: Motion Passed

13. ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

14. ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION:

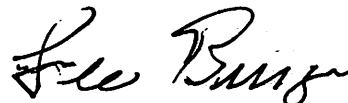
15. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT:

16. CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL COMMENT:

- Kaer questioned grants for harbor expansions. Would like to see a proper landing and expansion at Davidson Landing. Questioned the design for the firehall on Southside. Huestis responded that he put in for appropriations to Senator Murkowski for funds to move forward. Intend to apply for an additional grant as well. Kaer continued that people would like to have an input about the design, etc, for it.
- Huestis responded that it is in process and the opportunity for input on the design was when that went to public hearing before.
- Lovell questioned what the water supply would be. (catchment or well). Huestis responded catchment.

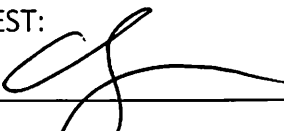
17. ADJOURNMENT:

Council member Tiana LaVoie adjourned the meeting at 7:28 PM.



Lee Burger, Vice Mayor

ATTEST:



Caitlyn Sawyer, City Clerk/Treasurer



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Department report for Harbor/Parks

Harbor is at capacity in both harbors.

- In main harbor A and B floats which moor annual boats are at 100% capacity
- C float and skiff slips which are seasonal are at half capacity and expected to be at full capacity during season
- D float, otherwise know as the seaplane dock is full on east side with planes and the west side houses the Forest Service barge
- All big boat slips at Davidson landing are at 100% capacity
- Skiff slips at Davidson which are seasonal are at half capacity and expected to be at full capacity during season

Current projects

- I am currently working on renovating Harbor office, almost complete
- Water to docks is going back on this week
- Plumbing repairs will be done on C float
- Fish cleaning station is going back to main location this week, full pressure wash of cleaning station as well
- Boat that was impounded will be getting oil and fuels pumped out next week in preparation for disposal
- Infield of the baseball field has been raked clear of leaves and moss and a sand/gravel mix has been delivered for spreading this week to fill in puddle areas in preparation for baseball season

Adventure Alaska

- Skiff slips 29,30,31,32,33 and C float slips 56,57,58,59,60,61 will be available for them bringing their total slips to 13 if approved by council
- They will need to purchase a commercial boat launch pass

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DEPARTMENT REPORT

Subject: Monthly Department Report

Department: Water & Sewer Utility

Supervisor: Sam Sawyer, Level II Water

Employees: Sam Sawyer, Supervisor
Willy Jennings, Employee

Date: April 2024

A Departmental Overview

The Water/Sewer Department is administered by Sam Sawyer, Level II Water Operator. The Supervisor(s) and staff are responsible for the operation and maintenance of the City's four core sanitation services: Water Treatment, Water Distribution, Sewage Collection, and Sewer Treatment. Duties include maintenance, minor and major schedule and unscheduled repairs throughout all four systems, monthly reporting to the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation as required, direct sampling as scheduled for water quality and wastewater effluent quality compliance, implementation of a preventative maintenance schedule, construction of new water distribution mains and residential /commercial service connections and wastewater collection mains and residential/commercial service connections.

Current Department Activities:

Spring is here so we are beginning to start flushing fire hydrants again and cleaning up around the water and sewer facilities. This week we are turning the boat wash down water back on for the public free of charge. We are also doing filter maintenance on the Nanofiltration unit and our three sand filters this month and have scheduled a company to inspect our water tank in June with a remote controlled robot that inspects the inside of our water storage tank. I am also happy to report that Willy is now level 1 certified in water/sewer treatment and distribution. We are performing all of our regular duties including our monthly water/sewer sampling requirements.