

MINUTES

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2024

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

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

- 1) CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Vice Mayor Burger at 6:30pm
- 2) PLEDGE TO FLAG: The audience and council stood for the pledge of allegiance.
- 3) ROLL CALL:
Those present were:
Blair, LaVoie, Burger, Lovell, Hartwell & Kaer
Those absent were:
Nyquest
- 4) APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion to , Seconded.
MOTION: Move to approve the Agenda.
F/S: Burger/ Hartwell
YEAS: Kaer, Blair, LaVoie, Burger, Hartwell, Lovell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Nyquest
STATUS: Motion Passed.
- 5) MAYOR'S REPORT: Vice Mayor gave a short report.
- 6) ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:
 - a) City Administrator:
 - i. Reviewed the RUS Broadband Grant
 - ii. Reviewed Atlas Tower progress for the Cell Tower
 - iii. Mentioned the Community Connections pitch to purchase City property
 - iv. Sen. Murkowski submitted a request for 1.5 Mil for Southside EMS firehall.
 - b) Clerk: None
- 7) DEPARTMENT REPORTS:
 - a) WATER: None
 - b) VPSO: None
 - c) EMS: None
- 8) PUBLIC COMMENTS:
 - a) Harvey MacDonald: Noticed money from local lumber income opportunities.
- 9) COUNCIL COMMENTS:
 - a) Kaer requested correction in minutes.
 - b) Burger redirected the council member to refer to that at the correct agenda item.
 - c) Lovell asked if a vendor could serve alcohol on city property during the Thorne Bay Days.
 - Feibel asked clarifying questions and answered questions. Huestis added an additional request in regard to liability waiver and insurance.
 - d) Hartwell informed that the wood on stairs down the hill by the store is rotten. Also commented that we will be getting a garbage can at the claw and questioned when the fish cleaning station would be moved? When will the water leaks on the dock be fixed?

10) PUBLIC HEARING:

- a) 24-04-25-01 PZ Variance application to be permitted development of an undersized lot within RES/COMM II Zone.

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

- Huestis gave an overview of the reason for the variance application.
 - Tyra Huestis gave information on the application.
 - Public commentor asked about location
 - Hartwell commented that he disagrees with the need for a variance.
 - Huestis clarified the reason for the variance application
 - Kaer commented on lot size and need for safety with setbacks.
 - Feibel clarified setbacks were met, but lot size is not. Variance is necessary.
 - Discussion on possible Code change followed.
 - Hartwell requested a survey on properties.
 - Discussion on parking requirements followed.
- Public hearing closed.

Vice Mayor Motioned to consider a variation of lot size and return at the next meeting with an ordinance to amend the zoning code. Seconded.

MOTION: Move to consider a variation of lot size and return at the next meeting with an ordinance to amend the zoning code.
F/S: Burger/ Hartwell
YEAS: Kaer, Blair, LaVoie, Burger, Hartwell, Lovell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Nyquest
STATUS: Motion Passed.

11) CONSENT AGENDA:

12) NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Minutes of the May 7, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting, discussion and action item:

MOTION: Move to approve the Minutes of May 7, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting
F/S: Burger/ Hartwell
YEAS: Kaer, Blair, LaVoie, Burger, Hartwell, Lovell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Nyquest
STATUS: Motion Passed.

- i. Kaer requested an amendment regarding Kuntz's Pit, the intended question was water in a near by stream, not on personal property.

MOTION: Move to approve the Agenda.

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

13) ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

- a) Ordinance 24-05-04-01: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF THORNE BAY,ALASKA; PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF THORNE BAY,FISCAL YEAR 2024, JULY 1, 2023 -JUNE 30, 2024, ANTICIPATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

Vice Mayor moved to approve Ordinance 24-05-04-01, an ordinance establishing FY25 Budget,
Seconded. No Discussion.

MOTION: Move to approve Ordinance 24-05-04-01, an ordinance establishing FY25 Budget

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

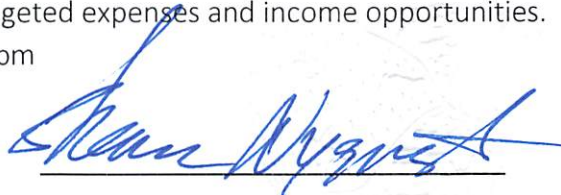
14) ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION:

15) CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT: None

16) CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL COMMENT:

- a) Hartwell questioned whether the budget would be discussed.
b) Huestis explained some of the budgeted expenses and income opportunities.

17) ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm



Shane Nyquest, Mayor

ATTEST:


Caitlyn Sawyer, City Clerk/Treasurer