

MINUTES
FOR THE **SPECIAL MEETING**
OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE
CITY OF THORNE BAY, ALASKA
MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2024

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

THERE WAS A WORKSHOP BEGINNING AT 6:00PM

1) **CALL TO ORDER:**

Vice Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

2) **PLEDGE TO FLAG:**

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

3) **ROLL CALL:**

Those present were:

Burger, LaVoie, Lovell, Blair, Kaer

Those absent were:

Nyquest

4) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Burger moved to approve the agenda. Blair seconded the motion. There was no further discussion.

MOTION: Move to approve the agenda.

F/S: Burger/ Blair

YEAS: Burger, LaVoie, Lovell, Blair, Kaer

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Nyquest

STATUS: Motion Passed.

5) **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

a) Vice Mayor Burger Reported he is termed out, enjoyed helping the city.

6) **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

a) Clerk: Gave report on upcoming dates for Mayor and Vice Mayor Declarations and reported Election results.

7) **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

a) WATER: In Packet

b) VPSO: none given

c) EMS: none given

8) **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

a) **Timber Pesterfield:** Thank you for voting, thank you to Thom for Absentee voting at Davidson Landing. Voter turnout will increase numbers and make it easier for all on the other side.

9) **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

a) Lovell commented that social media conversations about southside roads and want to invite the public to come and discuss with council and the administrator about possible solutions.

b) Kaer commented that he would like clarity on the ownership of Kasaan highway and streets to get the roads fixed. Thorne Bay has a grader and would like to see City workers out on the road.

10) **CONSENT AGENDA:**

a) Minutes of the September 3, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting, discussion and action item:

Burger moved to approve the consent agenda. Lovell seconded the motion. There was no further discussion.

MOTION: Move to approve the consent agenda

F/S: Burger/ Lovell

YEAS: Burger, LaVoie, Lovell, Blair, Kaer

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Nyquest

STATUS: Motion Passed.

11) NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Resolution 24-10-07-01: Certifying October 1, 2024 Election Results, Discussion and action item;

Burger moved to approve Resolution 24-10-07-01, Blair seconded the motion. No further discussion:

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 24-10-07-01 Certifying Oct 1 2024 Election Results

F/S: Burger/ Blair

YEAS: Burger, LaVoie, Lovell, Blair, Kaer

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Nyquest

STATUS: Motion Passed.

- b) Resolution 24-10-07-02: Establishing DL as an Absentee Voting Location, Discussion and action item;

Burger moved to approve Kaer seconded the motion. No discussion:

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 24-10-07-02 Establishing.

F/S: Burger/ Kaer

YEAS: Burger, LaVoie, Lovell, Blair, Kaer

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Nyquest

STATUS: Motion Passed.

12) ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION: None

13) CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT:

- a) David Schultz questioned if the roads would be turned over to OVK, do the people get a say in the matter?
- b) Thom Cunningham commented that he was under the impression that swearing in happened at this meeting. Upset that voting got taken away and expressed that council needs to do 'homework'. Commented on campaign tactics. Feels that council needs to check with community before voting on things before we lose the city. Thanked everyone who turned out to vote. Goodluck to the new council members.

14) CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL COMMENT:

- a) Kaer showed appreciation for new council members.
- b) Lovell appreciates all communication that is happening and hopes that the community feels heard and not forgotten. Expressed that doors are open for all with questions.

15) ADJOURNMENT: Burger adjourned at 6:50 pm



Shane Nyquest, Mayor

ATTEST:



Caitlyn Sawyer, City Clerk/Treasurer



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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: October 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:

Aside from working at the water plant and conducting our usual daily work, we will be working at the sewer plant fixing a mechanical breakdown that occurred with our blower motor pump and working with an electrician to fix our generator issues we are currently having at the water treatment plant. Starting October 1st, we will be turning off the water at the boat wash down.

