



## **HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC CONTINUED-**

Mr. Slenkamp stated this acreage would also require a maintenance program to maintain roads because what they like to do is to leave this land open to the public for access for subsistence and traditional fishing and firewood and other traditional uses.

Mr. Slenkamp stated they work with the Forest Service and this exchange can be implemented and TLMP can still happen. The primary reason is to try and make an integrated manufacturing facility, which can utilize young growth. The acreage that they have identified has been pretty well impacted and eroded. Over 49% of it has been cut. There is the ability to start harvesting young growth two to five million feet a year to start developing manufacturing techniques and markets. What would happen is this facility would be able to fully be integrated and would utilize the young growth, some old growth and they would work toward developing market and products to create a long term industry here. They're committed to 70% of domestic manufacturing. There will be a primary manufacturer on the island. They've been working with local industry. It is the Trust's intention to help them to maintain a timber base for a long time.

The Trust is hoping to create a partnership with communities and people on Prince of Wales to develop this industry, to provide jobs for the island and at the same time to provide revenue to the people of Alaska who are dependent on mental health services. They can help provide a long-term employment base on the Island, and also provide revenue to the mental health trust beneficiaries.

Dennis Watson asked if Mental Health Trust could swap land on the Ketchikan side instead of on Prince of Wales. Mr. Slenkamp said yes, they could.

He said the Trust has been working with local industry and it is the Trust's intention to help them maintain a timber base for a long time.

**Voc-Tec Center-**Mr. Jim Thomas, Superintendent of the Craig Schools reported on the joint island-wide school board meeting held two weeks ago. They decided unanimously to ask for funds from the legislators to hire someone to come in and develop a business plan for a vocational center. Jim Thomas is asking the city to write a letter of support to get a business plan developer to develop this vocational technical vision for us.

**Consolidation-**Mr. Thomas reported the superintendents of the island schools were mandated to have a meeting with the people on the island to see what consolidation would look like.

**Advisory Board for the new Clinic in Craig-**Bill Altland expressed his concern, wanting input by the patients of the Craig Clinic to PeaceHealth of Ketchikan, as possibly having an island member on the PeaceHealth advisory board.

**Tribal Transportation Director-Organized Village of Kasaan-**Sam Thomas is working on a Scenic Byways Program for Prince of Wales Island. Sam explained the program to the council. Sam is asking for a letter of support from the City of Craig for this program.

## **REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS**

**CLINIC PHYSICIAN**-Dr. Thomas reported the Clinic has been busy. The flu is going around again.

**MAYOR**-Millie Schoonover reported attending the first Southeast Solid Waste Authority meeting, which was held here in Craig on January 12<sup>th</sup>.

**ADMINISTRATOR**-Jon Bolling would like to do a letter of support in developing a plan for a Voc-Tec Center for the island schools as reported by school superintendent, Jim Thomas. There were no objections from the city council.

**CITY CLERK**-Vicki Hamilton reported the city's assessors are planning to be in Craig for assessment work on Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. Senior citizen applications for property tax exemption have passed the due date of January 15<sup>th</sup>. I have received 34 applications. The next council meeting is scheduled for February 4<sup>th</sup>.

**CITY PLANNER**-Brian Templin provided a written staff report in the council packet.

**POLICE CHIEF**-Mark Habib reported things are going well at the police department.

**PARKS AND RECREATION**-Victoria reported a Swap Meet is scheduled for Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup>. Business as usual.

**TREASURER**-Joyce Mason reported the accounts receivable department sent out letters to those businesses who have a sales tax account and asked the business owners for a current copy of their State of Alaska business license.

## **READING OF CORRESPONDENCE**

There were no comments.

## **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

**Resolution No. 10-12**, A resolution supporting the Southeast Alaska Solid Waste Authority's FY 2011 legislation appropriation request for organizational funds, was presented.

Jon Bolling offered some modified language for this resolution. The change is in the second "whereas" to add after the words solid waste "while also supporting regional economic development, job creation/retention and environmental stewardship and education, and".

Jon reminded the council the purpose of this is to solicit some funding from the legislature to support this regional effort to disposing of our solid waste.

PIERCE/HEAD: moved to approve Resolution No. 10-02 as amended.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY ROLL CALL  
VOTE

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Sealaska Land Selection legislation**-Rick Harris informed the council that William "Bill" Demmert passed away. Bill Demmert grew up on Prince of Wales. He was an educator.

Rick Harris of Sealaska Corporation was here to speak on questions from the previous city council meeting of January 7, 2010. He spoke on the land selections, sacred sites, future native sites, and the life of timber harvesting on Prince of Wales Island.

Mr. Harris also mentioned that the Sealaska building in Juneau is converting its building to being heated by pellets. Fuel tanks and oil boilers are being taken out. The pellets are going to have to come off of Prince of Wales Island.

Owen Graham, of the Alaska Forest Association addressed the forested land on northern Prince of Wales Island, the land Sealaska is asking to select. Mr. Graham commented that the total acreage impact on the land would be about 6% of the land managed by the Forest Service under TLMP. Mr. Graham was in favor of the land selection by Sealaska to take place outside their designated land selection areas.

There was plenty of input from the public.

**DOUVILLE/HEAD:** moved to forward the letter on.

Discussion: Mike Douville stated the bill (Sealaska Land Bill, S881) is not being changed and the council is being urged for a response.

Mayor Schoonover called for a recess at 9:26 p.m.

The council reconvened at 9:35 p.m.

Mike Douville and Greg Head both withdrew their motion.

The city council agreed to have a special meeting on Monday, January 25, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the city council chambers to address their concerns about Sealaska Land Bill S 881. After the meeting on January 25<sup>th</sup>, a letter from the City of Craig will be sent to Senator Murkowski in Washington D.C.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Naming the new health clinic-**

**HEAD/DOUVILLE:**

moved to name the new health care clinic the Prince of Wales Health Care Center. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Art Budget for the new clinic-**

**PIERCE/KUNTZ:**

moved to appropriate \$5,000 for the acquisition of art for the new clinic-building project, with funding to come from the contingency fund for the new clinic-building project. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED-**

**Schedule workshop to review revised personnel rules-**Jon Bolling will set up a time and date for the council to meet in a workshop setting to go over the personnel rules.

**Vacation of a portion of Beach Road related to sale of land to U.S.F.S.-**

HEAD/PIERCE: move to approve the vacation of the portion of Beach Road right-of-way specified in Planning Commission Resolution No. 515-09. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Direction on Community Streets Project-Phase II-**Jon mentioned the current design of the streets includes sidewalks the length of Beach Road and Hamilton Drive. In a previous meeting the council elected to defer action on the sidewalk and other improvements to Seventh Street until it could address the sidewalk issue for all the streets in general. The drainage improvements are more of a necessity than the sidewalks and will be included with the paving.

Jon mentioned that Phase II is completing West Hamilton Drive and Beach Road and Seventh Street. Jon stated that without the sidewalks there is an additional \$220,000 in funding to do other streets as well. Seventh Street paving and improvements was removed from Phase I and placed into Phase II. There was discussion on the drainage and that it needs to have a concrete gutter. There was discussion on the type of curb the city should consider for the roads in Craig.

HEAD/PIERCE: moved to pave Beach Road, Hamilton Drive, and Seventh Street without the sidewalks but with curb, gutter, and storm drain improvements. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PIERCE/KUNTZ: moved to accept the offer from Bennett and Patotzka. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Jon stated he would proceed with the engineer to add funding that we think will be available with the deletion of the sidewalks to add some additive alternates to the bid regarding additional street paving.

**Re-appointments to Craig Planning and Zoning Commission-**

PIERCE/HEAD: moved to reappoint John Moots and Lonnie Walters to the Craig Planning Commission for a three-year term to expire January 2013. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Request for Intervention-Litigation of Logjam Timber Sale-**

Jon Bolling reported the City of Craig has been asked by the Alaska Forest Association and by Viking Lumber to consider getting involved in the litigation filed against the Logjam Timber Sale. The purpose of these entities asking the city to get involved is to help support their position in defending the lawsuit and also supporting the Forest Service preparation of the E.I.S.

**Request for Intervention-Litigation of Logjam Timber Sale continued-**

Attorney Bob Blasco is present if council has any questions for him concerning the lawsuit.

Jon stated the city has at least two options: 1) file an amicus brief (a friend of the court brief)  
2) become involved as an intervener in the litigation which makes us a former party to the lawsuit.

Mr. Blasco explained the case to the council. The city has two options, one to be an intervener or two, to file an amicus brief.

There will be further discussion at January 25<sup>th</sup> council meeting to decide the stand the city will take concerning the Logjam litigation.

**Request for support-Scenic Byways Designation-**Sam Thomas was here to speak on behalf of the Organized Village of Kasaan and the project this project they are working on. Sam Thomas gave a presentation.

Jim See commented that this could stop logging in some areas.

The council wanted more information to discuss this later.

**ADJOURNMENT**

HEAD/DOUVILLE: moved to adjourn. MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 10:43 P.M.

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

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MAYOR MILLIE SCHOONOVER

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ATTEST  
VICKI HAMILTON, CITY CLERK