

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Dennis Watson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the roll was taken. Present were, Greg Dahl, Mike Douville, Jan Trojan, Don Pierce, Jim See and Hannah Bazinet.

**Staff present:** Jon Bolling, City Administrator; Kassi Mackie, City Clerk; Jessica Holloway, Aquatic Center Manager; Hans Hjort, Harbormaster; Kim Baxter, Librarian; RJ Ely, Police Chief; Victoria Merritt, Parks, and Recreation Director; Doug Ward, Parks and Public Facilities Manager

**Audience present:** Lisa Radke, Cathrine Coats, Carolyn Chapman, Brody Bazinet, Aiden Benolken, Mak, Kathy Peavey, Judy O'Connor, Connie Ward.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

PIERCE/TROJAN

moved to approve the consent agenda.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC**

Cathrine Coats read Carolyn Chapman's letter regarding water rates. Mrs. Chapman would like to be placed on the next agenda as an action item. Mayor Watson would like to see the garbage rates put on an upcoming agenda, for consideration. Jan volunteered to sponsor these items for the upcoming agenda, as separate issues. Garbage as one ordinance and water/wastewater rates another ordinance. Don supported revisiting the garbage rates at the next council meeting and having a workshop for the water/wastewater rates. Judy O'Connor had some questions regarding her bill, which Joyce would address with Mrs. O'Connor tomorrow.

Kathy Peavey asked what the bed tax revenue will go towards if it is passed by the voters. Jon commented, that it will go to the general fund. Mrs. Peavey commented that a quick search finds that many municipalities around the state utilize the bed tax funding for tourism, which is favorable over it going directly into the general fund. Jim See mentioned the desire for the funding to go towards the emergency services department. Kathy Peavey disagrees, and would like for the taxpayers to be able to decide where this funding goes.

Aiden Benolken, Mak, Brody Bazinet and Bryant Holloway were present to request that the council consider funding a skatepark in city limits. Cathrine Coats asked if the funding was still available for the skatepark that was raised by some of the residents around Craig a few years back. Mayor Watson commented that the city didn't have a part in that funding.

## REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

**Mayor/IFA-** Mayor Watson reported that the legislature in Juneau is cutting back on revenue, which is why Craig is looking for additional funding within municipal boundaries. IFA traffic is up, and July and August were well over \$12,000 a day.

**Administrator-** Jon provided a written report. Brian will be working on the potential for a skate park. Jon also commented that it has been a rare practice for the city to loan funds to employees, and Jon would like to put something in writing as a policy. Mike Douville commented that it may be beneficial to look at the possibility of a wood portion for the skate park to help cut the cost.

**Treasurer-** Joyce reported that the City received \$25,000 in National Forest Receipts this year.

**Aquatic Manager-** Jessica provided a written report and mentioned receiving some negative feedback on the new arrangement at the gym, however Jessica is confident that there is plenty of space and equipment for all of the patrons that utilize the facility.

**City Clerk-** Kassi noted the candidates for the 2017 Municipal Elections, absentee voting schedule and set the next meeting.

**City Planner-** Brian was absent excused.

**EMS Coordinator-** Chaundell provided a written report. Chaundell also mentioned that the third medivac company that was considering permanent station on the island has been put on hold.

**Harbormaster-** Hans provided a written report.

**Library-** Kim provided a written report.

**Police Chief-** RJ provided a written report.

**Public Works-** Dave provided a written report. Mike Douville asked about the alum system and whether or not it needed replaced. Dave replied that staff is working to finalize the proposals from a couple companies to replace the system.

**Parks and Rec-** Victoria provided a written report. Victoria will be out of town later in the month.

**Parks and Public Facilities-** Doug provided a written report.

**Fire Department-** Tim is headed to the Rural Fire Chief training in Sitka at the end of the month.

## READING OF CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing to discuss.

## CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## NEW BUSINESS

September 7, 2017 Council Meeting

**Discussion of Mayor's compensation**

Jim See requested that this item be placed on the agenda. Jim believes that there should be a reasonable compensation depending on the qualifications of the mayor. Jim would like to see a resolution to set the compensation for the mayor each time a new mayor is elected. Jim would also like to see the council's compensation set in a stand-alone ordinance. Greg agrees that the ordinance should be stand-alone for council compensation. Greg believes that the mayor compensation should be reviewed either every budget cycle or election cycle. Jim would like to sponsor this item on the next agenda in ordinance form.

**Consider approval, Change Order 5 Phase IV Paving**

PIERCE/BAZINET

moved to approve Change Order 5.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Consider appropriation for haul-out trailer building**

PIERCE/BAZINET

moved to appropriate \$30,630 from the city's Harbor Reserve Account for the improvements detailed in the Harbormaster's attached memo.

Hans mentioned that the owner of the spray-foam machine reconsidered, and therefore, Hans will be looking to other sources for the spray-foam portion of the building.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADJOURNMENT**

DAHL/SEE

moved to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.  
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED October 19, 2017

Tim O'Connor  
MAYOR TIMOTHY O'CONNOR

ATTEST Kassi Mackie  
KASSI MACKIE, CITY CLERK

