

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, October 5, 2023 at 7:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Dillingham City Council was held on Thursday, October 5, 2023, at the Dillingham City Council Chambers and via video conferencing, in Dillingham, Alaska. Mayor Ruby called the meeting to order at 7:13 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Ruby was present.

Council members present and establishing a quorum (a quorum being four):

Michael Bennett Bert Luckhurst Aksel Buholm

Kaleb Westfall

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of September 7, 2023; Regular Council Meeting

MOTION to approve minutes made by Kaleb Westfall. Seconded by Bert Luckhurst with a friendly amendment to correct misspelling of Councilman Bennett's name for the official version.

VOTING Yea. Council Member Bennett, Council Member Buholm, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Luckhurst

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

There was no consent agenda.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION to approve agenda with an amendment removing items 4 and 12 made by Bert Luckhurst, seconded by Kaleb Westfall

ROLL CALL VOTE Yea: Council Member Westfall, Council Member Buholm, Council Member Luckhurst

ROLL CALL VOTE Nay: Council Member Bennett

Motion with amendment failed.

MOTION: Kaleb Westfall moved to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Bert Luckhurst.

ROLL CALL VOTE Yea: Council Member Westfall, Council Member Buholm, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Bennett.

STAFF REPORTS

2. City Manager Report & Department Reports

- City Manager Kim Johnson thanked the staff and Marilyn Rosene for a successful election.
- BBNC and NIT will be conducting heavy equipment training for the city's heavy equipment operators
- There will be a DEC inspection of the landfill.
- Working with the Mayor on a new member council training session
- Dan Boyd is out on PTO and animal control is being handled by the Patrol Division

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS (Prior Notice or Agenda Items)

3. Ted Krieg submitted written comments.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

4. RESOLUTION NO. 2023-28 No Action Taken

5. Action Memorandum 2023-30 Hyster 800 disposal

MOTION: Councilman Westfall moved to adopt AM 2023-30. Seconded by Councilman Luckhurst.

ROLL CALL VOTE Yea: Council Member Westfall, Council Member Buholm, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Bennett.

6. Action Memorandum 2023-31

MOTION: Councilman Westfall moved to adopt AM 2023-31. Seconded by Councilman Luckhurst.

MOTION TO POSTPONE: Councilman Westfall moved to postpone AM 2023-31. Seconded by Councilman Luckhurst

ROLL CALL VOTE Yea: Council Member Westfall, Council Member Buholm, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Bennett.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. City Manager Recruitment

MOTION: Councilman Bennett moved to hire Kim Johnson on a three-year contract. Seconded by Councilman Buholm.

Mayor Ruby strongly advised the council not to act on this motion as there were new council members on-boarding and that they should be a part of this decision.

<u>DISCUSSION ON MOTION:</u> Kaleb Westfall asked Kim if she would be willing to take the job. Kim indicated that she would be willing. She also indicated that she had applied for the position and would sit through any selection process. Kim also indicated that this was a council decision.

Aksel Buholm stated that Kim was local, had her degree in administration and that not to hire Kim would be foolish.

ROLL CALL VOTE Yea: Council Member Westfall, Council Member Buholm, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Bennett

8. Territorial School Update

Materials have been ordered

NEW BUSINESS

9. Library Advisory board appointments

MOTION: Councilman Westfall moved to appoint Sara Baily and Janet Dieckgrafe. Seconded by Councilman Luckhurst.

ROLL CALL VOTE Yea: Council Member Westfall, Council Member Buholm, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Bennett.

10. Special Meeting Date to Certify Election:

MOTION: Councilman Buholm moved to set the special meeting date to 10/12/2023. Seconded by Councilman Bennett

ROLL CALL VOTE Yea: Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Buholm, Council Member Luckhurst

11. Finance Committee Report

No report

CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION (Open to the Public)

Tanner Johnson offered comment.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Audio issues

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Flu clinic reminder and a moment of silence

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION made by Councilman Bennett to move into executive session. Seconded by Councilman Buholm.

ROLL CALL VOTE Yea: Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett, Council Member Council Member Buholm, Council Member Luckhurst

MOTION to exit from executive session made by Councilman Westfall at 7:55 PM. Seconded by Councilman Bennett.

ROLL CALL VOTE Yea: Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Buholm, Council Member Luckhurst

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ruby adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

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Mayor Alice Ruby

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ATTEST:

Daniel E. Decker Sr, City Clerk

Abigail Flynn, Acting City Clerk

Approval Date: 7/25/24

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