

**MINUTES  
OF THE  
ANCHORAGE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING**

Monday, January 13, 2020  
6:00 p.m.  
City Hall

Council members in attendance were Diane Cook, Neil Ramsey, Bill Wetherton, Jason Walters, and Hunter Wilson. Also, in attendance were Mayor Thomas Hewitt, City Attorney John McGarvey, Attorney Richard Edwards, City Administrator Reneé Major, Police Chief Dean Hayes, Deputy Treasurer Sara Ritchie, Clerk/Receptionist Angie Chick, and Anchorage Forestry Board Chairperson Lucy Spickard. Council member Cece Hagan was absent.

Mayor Hewitt called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**MINUTES**

Cook identified the need to correct the spelling of Julie Schildt’s last name and to add the word “concerns” after “Anchorage resident Lisa Carpenter spoke about watershed” in the last sentence of the paragraph Residents’ Petition Opposing St. Luke’s Episcopal Church Addition in the minutes. Wilson motioned to approve the December 09, 2019 regular meeting minutes with the corrections. Wetherton seconded the motion, and all approved.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Major stated that the contract with AT&T to provide telephone and internet to the City will be terminated and replaced with Spectrum by the end of the month. The City will also pursue the repayment of approximately \$5,000.00 from AT&T for incorrectly invoiced telephone services. Ritchie responded to Cook’s question about walking path expenses. She explained that the three years’ worth of reports show the first six months of each year, and the timing of some expenditures were in the second half of the year. Major stated the audited financial statements are due by February 1, 2020. The audit is in process, and current information indicates a \$200,000.00 surplus for the year. Council discussed the impact of increasing the insurance premium tax rate last year and changes in businesses located in Anchorage had on revenue.

**POLICE REPORT**

Council congratulated the Anchorage Police Department for doing a great job, as reflected in the report Chief Hayes gave at the town hall meeting on January 12, 2020. Chief Hayes currently reported a stolen vehicle, where the keys were left in the automobile, was recovered on Bardstown Road, and a runaway person was located in Edmonson County, Kentucky.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

A Historic Preservation Commission meeting was not held in December. No applications for Certificates of Appropriateness were received.

**FORESTRY BOARD REPORT**

Spickard announced that Forestry Board member Jan Rusich represented the Forestry Board at Winter Bowl by preparing her family’s sauerkraut recipe.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business discussed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Hazardous Tree Bids**

Podges Landscaping and Tree Service was awarded the hazardous tree removal contract based on being the lowest price and proven reliability in past experience.

**Mayoral Appointments**

Wilson motioned to approve the following mayoral appointments.

**Board of Tax Supervisors**

**January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020 (New term)**

Ken Purnell	Tax Supervisor
Keith Sant	Tax Supervisor
Paul Wessel	Tax Supervisor

**City Officials**

**January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020 (New term)**

Paul Bergmann	Zoning Compliance Officer
Greg Smith	City Engineer & Flood Safety Officer
Cooper Robertson	Alcohol Beverage Control Officer

**Tax Assessor**

**January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020 (New term)**

Lee Bailey

**Ethics Commission**

**January 1, 2020– December 31, 2020 (New term)**

Brooks Alexander

**Forestry Board**

**January 1, 2020– December 31, 2020 (New term)**

Lucy Spickard, Chairperson	Nan Dryden
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Diane McAllister  
Nancy Wilkinson  
Adele McCoy

Ellen Welham  
Jan Ruzich

**Historic Preservation Commission**

**January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2022 (New term)**

Bill Wetheron, Nonvoting/Chairman  
Clyde Ensor

**Cable Commission**

**January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020 (New term)**

Reneé Major

**Conservation Easement Board**

**January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020 (New term)**

Brooks Alexander

Ramsey seconded the motion to approve the mayoral appointments, and all approved.

Mayor Hewitt stated that he received Connie O’Connell’s letter of resignation from the Historic Preservation Commission. Wilson motioned to accept her resignation, Walters seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mayor Hewitt proposed the appointment of William (Bill) Fowler to the Historic Preservation Commission. Ramsey noted Fowler’s previous service on the Historic Preservation Commission. Walters motioned to accept Fowler’s appointment. Cook seconded the motion, and all approved.

**Citizen of the Year**

The Mayor and City Council congratulated Council member Diane Cook for being named Citizen of the Year by the Anchorage Civic Club.

**Wildlife Study**

Mayor Hewitt expects to receive the finished wildlife study report soon, and plans to hold resident meetings, possibly in March and April. Major stated three coyotes that were deemed dangerous were trapped and removed.

**Zoning Recommendations**

Mayor Hewitt, Cece Hagan, Reneé Major, and Zoning Officer Paul Bergmann are working to update permitted and conditional uses in the City’s zoning code, with an emphasis on maintaining the residential character of the City.

**Traffic Study**

Mayor Hewitt said work is continuing on the traffic study of the southeast quadrant of the City and Surrey Lane. Recommendations should be ready in April.

**Beekeeping Regulations**

McGarvey is working to update beekeeping regulations, which will be changed by ordinance.

An executive session was not needed.

With no further business to discuss, Wilson motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ramsey, and it was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

W. Thomas Hewitt  
Mayor

Reneé M. Major  
City Clerk