

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

Monday, December 12, 2022

6:00 p.m.

Council members in attendance were Matt Delehanty, Patrick McMahon, Jason Walters, Hunter Wilson, and Bill Wetherton. Also in attendance were Mayor Neil Ramsey, City Attorney John McGarvey, Assistant City Attorney Richard Edwards, City Administrator Reneé Major, Police Chief Dean Hayes, Public Works Director Gary Burkhead, and Clerk/Office Manager Angie Chick. Council members Diane Cook was absent. Guests included Brad and Karin Tyrer, Jan Ruzich, Rip Phillips, Margaret Davis, Joan Pauly, Marilyn Williams, and Bob LaMontagne.

GUEST SPEACKERS

Berrytown Neighborhood Association Development Committee members Margaret Davis, Victor Williams, Marilyn Williams, and Joan Pauly gave a presentation concerning two planned LDG multi-family developments in Berrytown. The Berrytown Neighborhood Association is opposed to the planned developments, which need rezoning approval from Louisville Metro. The Association will keep Anchorage updated on the projects and the dates of Metro zoning meeting.

Bob LaMontagne and Rip Phillips invited everyone to the Community Christmas Open House at St. Luke's Episcopal Church to celebrate the holidays and take tours of the new facilities.

Mayor Ramsey called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

MINUTES

Walters motioned to approve the November 14, 2022 regular meeting minutes. Wilson seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Wilson noticed an increase in gasoline expenditures for the police department. The City recently expanded the driving range for police vehicles, in an effort to attract and retain officers.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Hayes reported a burglary that occurred in the early morning hours of December 11th from a garage where the garage door had been left open. Robbers only entered the garage.

Chief Hayes discussed staffing issues, including officers off sick or injured and Officer McDonald's resignation. He also stated that the department started targeted enforcement about two weeks ago in heavy traffic areas and in response to complaints.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Historic Preservation Chairman Bill Wetherton noted one application from November required changes, and that a subcommittee of the Commission (HPC) members was created which reviewed and approved the detailed revised plans.

Anchorage contracted an outside person to revise the Historic Preservation Guidelines and received an incomplete, rough draft. The City has been unable to contact the person. Major explained that the City mailed letters to the contractor, one regular mail and one certified mail, and has received no response. Anchorage HPC will complete the draft without this contractor and present it to Anchorage City Council for approval.

FORESTRY BOARD REPORT

Ruzich reported that weather delayed the Canopy Campaign tree plantings.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

2023 Mayoral Appointments

Mayor Ramsey appointed the following officials for the upcoming year with the support of City Council. Wilson motioned to approve the appointments and Walters seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Board of Tax Supervisors January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023 (New term)

Kenneth Purnell	Tax Supervisor
Paul Wessel	Tax Supervisor
Robert (Bob) Durham	Tax Supervisor

City Officials January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023 (New term)

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

Tax Assessor January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023 (New term)

Lee Bailey

Ethics Commission January 1, 2023– December 31, 2023 (New term)

Brooks Alexander

Forestry Board January 1, 2023– December 31, 2023 (New term)

Jan Ruzich, Chairperson
Lucy Spickard
Diane McAllister
Ellen Welham
Nancy Wilkinson
Adele McCoy
Paul Wessel

Historic Preservation Commission

January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2025 (New term)

William (Bill) Wetherton, Nonvoting/Chairman
Clyde Ensor

January 1, 2021– December 31, 2023 (Currently serving; no appt.)

William (Bill) Wilkinson
Daniel Grimm

January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2024 (Currently servicing; no appt)

William (Bill) Fowler _____
Emily Paprocki _____

Cable Commission January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023 (New term)

Reneé Major

Conservation Easement Board January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023 (New term)

Brooks Alexander

Recognition of Jason Walters, City Council Member 2019 – 2022

Mayor Ramsey presented Jason Walters with a silver julep cup for the City’s appreciation of his service as a City Council member. Forestry Board Chairperson Jan Ruzich presented Walters with a gift from the Forestry Board for his service as the City Council representative at the monthly Forestry Board meetings.

Swearing-in of Mayor and City Council Members

City Attorney John McGarvey administered the oaths of office to Mayor Ramsey and Councilmembers Delehanty, McMahon, Tyrer, Wetherton, and Wilson for their terms of office that begin January 1, 2023.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 23 and 26, 2022 and January 2, 2023 City Hall/Public Works closed for the holidays
December 31, 2022 Citizen of the Year nominations due to Civic Club
February 5, 2023 Civic Club Winter Bowl & Town Hall Meeting

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Wilson motioned to enter executive session and Walters seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and City Council entered executive session at 6:49 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Wilson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Walters seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Neil Ramsey, Mayor

Reneé M. Major, City Clerk