

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

**Monday, September 11, 2023
6:00 p.m.**

Council members in attendance were Diane Cook, Matt Delehanty, Patrick McMahon, Karin Tyrer, and Bill Wetherton. Hunter Wilson was absent. Also in attendance were Mayor Neil Ramsey, City Administrative Officer Reneé Major, City Attorney John McGarvey, Assistant City Attorney Richard Edwards, Police Chief Dean Hayes, Public Works Director Gary Burkhead, Forestry Board Chairperson Jan Ruzich, and Office Manager/Clerk Angie Chick. Guests included Anchorage School Board representative Wilson Greene, Katie Alexander, Bill Wilkinson, Franklin Deutsch, Roger Dermody, Logan Mast, and Amanda Pagano.

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

MINUTES

McMahon motioned to approve the August 14, 2023 regular meeting minutes. Cook seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Major stated that she verified the large change from the previous year in unrealized gains. It appears accurate.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Hayes announced the new police vehicle arrived on Friday, September 8. Chief Hayes is working on a plan to manage vehicle and pedestrian traffic, especially school traffic, during CSX’s planned shutdown of the Bellewood Road railroad crossing for September 19 – 21. After receiving several calls from motorists regarding near misses with children on scooters, and researching data on scooter injuries, Chief Hayes determined there needed to be an emphasis on enforcing KRS (Kentucky Revised Statute) 189.289 which states “a person 16 years or older may operate an electric low-speed scooter on a highway (city streets are included in the statute’s definition of “highway”), bicycle lane or bicycle path.” Notice of the statute and plans to enforce it were published in *The Anchor Age* September e-newsletter.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Wetherton reported on the applications reviewed in August. He also stated, Nicole M. Roth, Ph.D., Certified Local Government Program and Planning Director for the Kentucky Heritage

Council, attended the meeting and provided a one-hour training program for Commission members. This training fulfills each commission member's annual education requirements.

FORESTRY BOARD REPORT

Ruzich reported, the Forestry Board completed their annual review of trees in the City's rights-of-way and compiled a list of hazardous trees for the City Forester and Public Works Director to review. The Fall Canopy Campaign is underway with tree orders due by September 18. The planting of trees is expected to happen around the time of Thanksgiving.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance Amendment Traffic – First Reading

Councilmembers discussed options to improve traffic flow and safety on Log Cabin Lane, Woodland Road, and Glenbrook Road, including limiting access to roads and lowering speed limits. Delehanty and McMahon were in favor of restricting turns onto these roads during peak hours as a first step and then evaluating the need for speed limits. Tyrer noted that residents in those areas requested lower speed limits. A traffic ordinance amendment to limit road access is expected to be presented at the next City Council meeting.

Waive ABC License Fee – Harvest for Hope Dinner on October 12, 2023

Tyrer motioned to waive the ABC license fee for the October 12, 2023 Harvest for Hope Dinner. McMahon seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Waive ABC License Fee – Anchorfest on October 19, 2023

Tyrer motioned to waive the ABC license fee for Anchorfest on October 19, 2023. Delehanty seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Southeast Quadrant Sewer Expansion

In response to the City's letter with information about a potential sewer expansion and upcoming September 21 meeting to discuss sewers, Anchorage resident Bill Wilkinson asked about the plans. Ramsey and Major explained that engineered plans have not been completed in all areas, including Ridge Road and that MSD (Metropolitan Sewer District) could exclude certain areas, for example, areas that do not have the slope needed for the gravity fed system. Mayor Ramsey said the City was waiting on final sewer plans before it schedules road repairs or repaving.

Anchorage Trail Closing

Anchorage School Board representative Wilson Greene asked how long the Anchorage Trail would be closed as some kids use it to get to and from school. Greene suggested, the City install walking paths on the north side of Evergreen Road if this is a long term or permanent closure. Per

the notification the City received from Anchorage Trail owner, Evergreen Real Estate, the Trail is closed for maintenance. No timeline to reopen was given.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None required.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Anchorage Forestry Board's 2023 Fall Canopy Campaign tree orders are due at City Hall by September 18, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

Cook motioned to adjourn the meeting. Wetherton seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Neil Ramsey, Mayor

Reneé M. Major, City Clerk

ANCHORAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT 2023 ACTIVITY REPORT

	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	2023 YTD TOTAL	2022 YTD TOTALS
ACCIDENTS	4	0	0	3	1	5	1	2					16	12
ALARMS	8	11	18	15	26	12	14	11					115	85
AMBULANCE/ FIRE RUNS	12	5	20	11	16	7	12	15					98	45
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	2					6	5
APS (SCHOOL SECURITY)	41	25	25	27	31	1	0	32					182	193
RESID/BUSINESS CHECKS	4886	5022	6139	5263	4508	5083	5346	4572					40619	33693
MISSING PERSON	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1					2	2
CITATIONS & WARNINGS	97	203	343	229	278	229	111	364					1854	1345
UNIFORM OFFENSE REPORTS	3	3	8	2	2	8	2	2					30	21
ARRESTS	1	0	5	1	2	0	2	0					11	17
TRUCK STOPS	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	1					5	9
OPEN DOORS	7	4	9	4	1	1	1	18					45	17
CRIME PREVENTION	65	64	75	74	67	51	37	44					477	458
TOTAL	5126	5337	6644	5629	4934	5399	5527	5064	0	0	0	0	43660	40785

Alarms-- Fire/Burglar
 Ambulance/Fire Runs-- assist EMS on call
 Assist other agency--Backup Metro, Middletown, EMS on call for service
 APS (School Security)-- officer walk thru, morning drop off security at 2 locations, events at school
 Missing person- person reported as missing and entered NCIC
 Uniform Offense Reports- calls that resulted in a criminal case opened
 Truck Stops- Commercial vehicles stopped in violation of KRS or Ordinance.
 Open Doors- discovered during Residential/Business/School checks
 Crime prevention- vehicles checked for valuables, excess mail in box, church security on Sundays etc.

Reports
 23-003110 08/11/2023 Owl Creek
 23-003310 08/23/2023 Park Rd
 Missing Person
 Assault 4th, Domestic Violence, Minor Injury