

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

**Monday, May 13, 2024  
6:00 p.m.**

Council members in attendance were Diane Cook, Matt Delehanty, Patrick McMahon, Karin Tyrer, Bill Wetherton, and Hunter Wilson. Also in attendance were Mayor Neil Ramsey, City Attorney John McGarvey, City Administrator Reneé Major, Police Chief Dean Hayes, Public Works Director Gary Burkhead, Forestry Board Chair Jan Ruzich, Deputy Treasurer Alison Melton, and Office Manager/Clerk Angie Chick. Guests included Ed Weyler, Bonnie Jung, Wilson Greene, and Emilie Delehanty.

Ramsey called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

**MINUTES**

Wilson motioned to approve the April 23, 2024, special meeting minutes. Delehanty seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Wilson motioned to approve the May 06, 2024 special meeting minutes. Cook seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

**GUEST SPEAKER**

Louisville District 18 candidate Bonnie Jung presented her experience and election platform and asked for support in the May 21<sup>st</sup> primary election.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

There were no questions or comments on the treasurer's report.

**POLICE REPORT**

Chief Hayes reviewed the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security Project(s) application for a grant to cover a portion of the cost to replace the police department's tasers. The tasers are reaching their end of life and prices for replacements are increasing. Cook motioned to make a resolution authorizing Mayor Ramsey to make an application and enter into an agreement with the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security (KOHS) for the taser project. Wilson seconded the motion. All approved and the motion passed.

Police were called out in April for a death investigation. It was determined that the person passed away from natural causes.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

Wetherton gave a brief overview of the April applications and approvals.

## **FORESTRY BOARD REPORT**

The Forestry Board and City are working together on phase two of the Ridge Road landscaping project, which mostly involves trimming trees.

Cook inquired about tracking to ensure replacement trees are being planted. Ruzich said the Forestry Board will receive copies of tree removal permits issued for six or more trees. The Board will contact the owner, track the replacement trees, and do a site visit. Major noted that City Forester Andrea Hanlon reviews and approves any tree removal permit for six or more trees. Tyrer asked if there are fines for not replacing trees. Major said the City can issue fines for not planting replacement trees.

The City is working on a program to offer trees at wholesale price that can be planted anywhere on Anchorage residents' properties. The program will be in lieu of the Fall Canopy Campaign that limits planting areas to fifteen to twenty feet from the edge of roads.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **FY2025 (07/01/2024 to 06/30/2025) Budget Ordinance – First Reading**

Cook introduced and read the FY2025 (07/01/2024 to 06/30/2025) Budget Ordinance.

### **Road Paving and Drainage Bids**

Burkhead explained the 2024 capital road project which includes road paving and repairs and drainage improvements. He discussed the four bids submitted. Wilson motioned to approve the lowest bid of \$197,405.60 from Flynn Brothers. Delehanty seconded the motion. All approved and the motion passed.

### **Proclamation Declaring May Historic Preservation Month**

Wilson motioned to support the Mayor declaring May as Historic Preservation Month in Anchorage. Wetherton seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mayor Ramsey declared May 2024 as Historic Preservation Month in the City of Anchorage.

### **Resolution for Homeland Security Project – Anchorage Police Department Tasers**

The motion and vote are recorded in the police report section above.

### **Appointment of Eric Taylor to the Anchorage Historic Preservation Commission**

Wilson motioned to accept Mayor Ramsey's appointment of Eric Taylor to the Anchorage Historic Preservation Commission. Tyrer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

**Proposal to Revise Anchorage Sign Ordinances.**

Ramsey and City Council members discussed changes including limiting the number and size of signs allowed per yard to reduce sign pollution, and updating political sign removal deadlines to match that of commercial signs. A sign ordinance will be drafted to include a limit of one political sign per race, size limits to match real estate signs, requirement for all signs to be a minimum of ten feet from the edge of the road, removal deadlines to match that of commercial signs, and an allowance for swing arm signs for real estate listings. The ordinance will be voted on at a future city council meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

May 21 – Primary Election Day

May 27 – Anchorage City Hall and Public Works Closed for the Holiday

May 27 – June 1 – Republic Services 1-day Delay

Tax statements have been mailed; discounted payments due by May 31, 2024

Wilson commented that he recently saw cyclists pulled over by Anchorage Police and asked for the police department to continue enforcing traffic laws for cyclists.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Cook motioned to adjourn the meeting. Wilson seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Ramsey adjourned the meeting at 6:39 p.m.

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Neil Ramsey, Mayor

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Reneé M. Major, City Clerk

## ANCHORAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT 2024 Monthly Activity Report

	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	2024 YTD TOTAL	2023 YTD TOTALS
ACCIDENTS	0	2	2	3									7	7
ALARMS	21	15	23	24									83	52
AMBULANCE/ FIRE RUNS	10	7	16	10									43	48
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY	0	1	2	3									6	2
APS (SCHOOL SECURITY)	30	30	52	28									140	118
RESID/BUSINESS CHECKS	5667	5501	7373	5992									24533	21310
MISSING PERSON	1	0	0	0									1	0
CITATIONS & WARNINGS	330	366	263	235									1194	872
UNIFORM OFFENSE REPORTS	3	4	4	4									15	16
ARRESTS	0	0	0	1									1	7
TRUCK STOPS	0	0	0	0									0	2
OPEN DOORS	2	1	3	5									11	24
CRIME PREVENTION	39	59	65	69									232	278
TOTAL	6103	5986	7803	6374	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26266	22736

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

24-001875 04/24/2024 Death Investigation

24-001735 04/15/2024 TBUT \$1000-\$10,000

24-001723 4/14/2024 Lost/Misplaced Firearm

24-001691 04/12/2024 Lost/Misplaced Property