

**MINUTES
of the
ANCHORAGE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**April 9, 2007
6:00 PM**

The Council members in attendance were as follows: Susan Mitchell, Brian Rublein, Jim Holtman, Bill Wetherton, Dan Heiskell, and Roger Durham. Mayor Tommy Hewitt presided. Also in attendance were Assistant to the Mayor Alice McKinley; Director of Public Works Erwin Booth; City Attorney John McGarvey; City Clerk Nan Schlindwein; Sewer Project Manager Joe Roehrig; Police Chief Chris Winders; and residents Nadine Brewer and Ann Stivers.

Mayor Hewitt called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

MINUTES

The minutes from the March 12, 2007, regular meeting were presented. After a correction made by McKinley, Wetherton made the motion, seconded by Durham, and unanimously approved by Council to accept the minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The City's check register and financial report for March 2007 were presented. Heiskell asked about the dispersement to Bonus Building Care. McKinley explained that Bonus cleans the police department, maintenance building, and City Hall twice a week. Durham asked about the City's cash balance report he had requested at the last meeting. McKinley said that she will have the City's treasurer e-mail this information to him. Heiskell asked about the amount paid to the Ackerson and Yann Law Firm. McKinley explained that John Carroll handles the City's real estate issues and Jennifer Hatcher the legal issues related to Bellewood Children's Home. Heiskell also asked about the dispersement to Richard Meena. McKinley reported this was for legal fees relating to the City's sewer project. The Mayor suggested Council members e-mail Johnson with any additional questions they may have.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Winders presented the March 2007 police report. Officer Combs will retire from the department at the end of May after thirty-one years of service. City Hall will plan a luncheon in his honor. An ad is to be posted in The Courier-Journal this week to fill the position. The Chief will be using the services of Personnel Profiling to find Officer Comb's replacement. Chief Winders talked about speeding complaints in the City. Council member Holtman asked what measures were being taken to slow down the additional traffic on Owl Creek Lane that is being redirected from Bellewood Road. Chief replied that the department has increased the use of radar and the speed trailer in the area.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Mitchell presented the HPC minutes from the March meeting. Mayor Hewitt asked if the construction to the home at 11701 Hazelwood Road was in compliance. McKinley replied that it was, but the contractor has been instructed to contact City Hall when drywall was completed so the City can re-check for compliance.. Heiskell asked if there was anything that could be done regarding the delays to the construction project to the old church on Bellewood Road. McKinley explained that as long as the building was secured, there was not. The owner has been using funds for the remodeling out of a trust and the trust was not allowing any further funds for the remodeling. The homeowner is now to decide if he wants to continue with the project or sell the property. The trust officer is currently maintaining the security of the building.

McKinley reported that City Hall had gotten calls last week that construction had ceased on the bridge at Bellewood. She contacted the company and found that earlier rains had delayed their work.

OLD BUSINESS

The second reading of the ordinance establishing the City tax rate on real and personal property for the tax year 2006-2007 was read by Mitchell. Durham seconded the motion and, with no further discussion, Council voted to approve the ordinance.

Booth, Director of Public Works, presented two bids for the replacement and repairs to the City's pedways. Wingham Paving presented a bid of \$28,875.00 and Tom Jeffrey \$5,400.00. After checking with Better Business Bureau, Booth recommended the bid from Tom Jeffrey. Mitchell made the motion, seconded by Rublein, to accept the lower bid. The project will begin sometime next week.

The Mayor called upon Joe Roehrig to update the Council on the bids for the City's sewer project. Roehrig explained that the submittals from interested contracting companies were set up and broken down exactly the same with dollar amounts affixed for each line item. After checking computations, FMSM recommended the lowest bid from

MAC Construction. Rublein made the motion, seconded by Durham, to accept the recommendation, which was unanimously approved by Council.

Council went into executive session at 6:21 p.m. They came out of executive session at 6:42 p.m. and the meeting adjourned.

W. Thomas Hewitt,
Mayor

Nan Schlindwein,
City Clerk