

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

Monday, August 06, 2018  
6:00 p.m.  
City Hall

The Council members in attendance were Cece Hagan, Diane Cook, Bill Wetherton, and Neil Ramsey. Also, in attendance were Mayor Thomas Hewitt, City Administrator Reneé Major, Director of Public Works Erwin Booth, City Attorney John McGarvey, Police Chief Dean Hayes, Deputy City Treasurer Sara Ritchie, Clerk/Receptionist Angie Chick, and Forestry Chairperson Lucy Spickard.

Mayor Hewitt called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

**MINUTES**

Minutes from the July 09, 2018 City Council regular meeting were reviewed. Cook motioned to accept the minutes. Ramsey seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Ritchie explained that all department salaries were higher in comparison to previous years because, in part, the June 2018 earned wages had not been adjusted or reclassified from FY2019 to FY2018 yet. Cost-of-living pay raises also contributed. Regarding higher Police Department expenses, Hayes noted that gasoline prices are higher now compared to last summer.

**POLICE REPORT**

Soon-to-be-fourth grader and Anchorage resident, Michael Rodosky won a new bicycle in the Helmet Smart program. An article was printed in the August issue of *The Anchor Age newsletter*. On July 20<sup>th</sup>, three local television stations were present at the Anchorage Police Station for the presentation of the prize to Michael.

Officer Greg Raque was honored at the Governor's Highway Safety Awards banquet for his efforts to keep us safe by wearing seat belts. He was recognized as the top occupant protection enforcement officer in similar-sized departments across the state. Raque will be included in Click It or Ticket public service announcements that will be filmed on September 17. The commercials will be broadcast over the air and used on billboards.

Hayes met with the tactical commander of a security team and asked if he would meet at the school to evaluate the school and offer training. The goal is to do quarterly training with the school. A plan to number the school entrances is being worked presently.

Hewitt mentioned recent emails about stranger danger and said an article about safety would be included in the next newsletter. Hayes recommended children have adult supervision during activities such as running a lemonade stand and should not walk over to a stranger's car to ask if they want to buy lemonade.

Cook asked if the July expenses were up significantly as a function of the department being fully-staffed now. Hayes replied part of the increase was due to June being the first full month of having ten officers.

### **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

Wetherton shared that two proposed projects were declined at the July meeting. There were a large number of residents at the meeting to voice concerns about drainage for the proposed new house on Owl Creek Lane. Wetherton informed the residents that drainage issues are handled by the City Drainage Officer rather than the Historic Preservation Commission. The house was not approved because it did not consider the streetscape and was typical of a style found in any modern subdivision. The second project was declined because the addition overpowered the existing home.

### **FORESTRY BOARD REPORT**

Forestry board members have begun to survey the ten plus circles and triangles in the city's medians, and will review them at the next meeting.

The board decided to suspend printing a forestry calendar for 2019. They feel that people are using digital calendars now.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

No old business was discussed.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Corporate Resolution Approving BMS to manage the City's Health Reimbursement Arrangement for FY2019**

According to McGarvey, the City Clerk is certifying the resolution. Wetherton moved to approve the corporate resolution approving BMS to manage the city's health reimbursement arrangement for FY2019. Ramsey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **Approval of Waiver of Alcohol Beverage License Fee for Anchorpalooza**

Ramsey motioned to waive the alcohol beverage license fee for Anchorpalooza. Cook seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Purchase of Public Works Truck**

The new Ford truck will replace the 2005 Chevy that has over 205,000 miles on it. The new truck will be upgraded from gas to diesel fuel, and is less expensive than a Chevy truck. It will be

purchased from the Ford dealer in Lexington, KY, who has a state contract. No bids are required because of the state contract. City Council is not required to vote on the purchase.

### **Purchase of Antenna/Repeater System and Radios for Public Works**

Five radios and repeaters at Public Works are being replaced. The current equipment are hand-me-downs from the Police Station from 1995. Ramsey asked why only one quote is shown. Booth said there is only one radio system that is compatible with the police department and the public works' equipment has to be merged with the police department's equipment. The company has both the Louisville Metro and state contracts; therefore, no vote is required.

### **Rental Policy**

The City will host two resident meetings in September to gather feedback and create an ordinance pertaining to short term rentals in Anchorage. Cook stated the City will need the teeth to be able to enforce the regulations, and places like Hawaii are struggling with this. Ramsey pointed out the primary issue is short-term rentals, not that places are rentals. Things to consider will be limits on the number of days, renting an entire home, single family limits, and exclusions for large events such as The Kentucky Derby and PGA events. Cook suggested calling other cities like Bardstown or Prospect to see what regulations they have in place.

### **Walking Paths**

The City continues to look at installing more walking paths, possibly along Evergreen Road.

### **Announcements**

Anchorpalooza will be held at Wagner Park on Saturday, September 8.

### **Executive Session**

Wetherton motioned to move to executive session to discuss pending litigation. Ramsey seconded the motion. The Council entered executive session at 6:41 p.m.

City Council returned from executive session at 6:48 p.m. With no further business, Ramsey motioned to adjourn, the motion was seconded by Cook and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

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W. Thomas Hewitt  
Mayor

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Reneé M. Major  
City Clerk