

**MINUTES
OF THE
ANCHORAGE CITY COUNCIL**

Monday, February 13, 2017

6:00 p.m.

City Hall

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

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hewitt at 6:00 p.m.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Jefferson County PVA Tony Lindauer and Jefferson County PVA Chief of Staff Colleen Younger relayed information about the upcoming Jefferson County property reassessments. On April 22, 2017, notices will be mailed to homeowners that have changes to their property assessment. Appeals may be made beginning April 22nd through 4:00 p.m. on May 15th.

MINUTES

Minutes from the January 18, 2017 City Council special meeting were reviewed. There were no questions or corrections. Hagan motioned to approve the minutes as presented, and Ramsey seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The January 2017 Check Register and Financial Report were presented. There were no questions or corrections.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Hayes stated that ten people participated in the self-defense class that was recently conducted by the Anchorage Police Department. The Anchorage Police have plans to host aggressive shooter seminars at Anchorage Presbyterian Church and Church of the Epiphany.

Chief Hayes made a request for City Council to declare a 2011 Chevy Impala, which has 110,000+ miles, government surplus. Ramsey motioned to declare the vehicle as surplus. Wetherton seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

There were no questions.

FORESTRY BOARD REPORT

Spickard reminded City Council that Arbor Day will be on Wednesday, March 22, 2017. Erin Thompson, Urban Forester for the City of Louisville, will be the guest speaker. Residents may pick up three free trees after the Arbor Day event on March 22nd or on Sunday, March 26th.

Spickard thanked the Anchorage Garden Club and Bill Wetherton for improvements made to the gates at the front and back of Hobbs Cemetery, and Erwin Booth for installing the gates.

OLD BUSINESS

Cell Tower Update

McGarvey contacted T-Mobile and advised them that the negotiated terms of the contract were approved by City Council at the January 2017 City Council meeting.

Major attempted to reach Sprint twice about moving their equipment, but has not received a reply. Additional bids for moving the City's antennas are being pursued.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayoral Appointments

Major asked Ramsey when Doug Weis will be added to the Ambulance Board. Ramsey indicated Weis will become the treasurer in June or July of this year. Cook motioned to accept Mayoral Appointments for the Ambulance and Conservation Easement Boards. Ramsey seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution to approve Revised Development Plan at 11301 Park Road

Louisville Metro Planning Commission advised the City of Anchorage that Anchorage City Council needed to review and approve the revised development plan for 11301 Park Road currently owned by Evergreen Real Estate. The current plans drafted by LD&D reverted back to the original 2008 plan that was approved by Anchorage City Council, except for the addition of one parking lot on the right side of the property, west side of the Presbyterian Church. McGarvey said the City of Anchorage worked with Louisville Metro and LD&D to create an OR zoning class specifically for that property. Wetherton motioned to approve the development plan. Rublein seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Major noted that this motion was only to approve the development plan and any construction on this lot would need to be approved via the City of Anchorage zoning process.

Spickard asked if the Cavallo Restaurant can be built without the parking lots included in this plan. Major shared that the restaurant can go forward, as the parking lots in this plan are above and beyond the parking spaces needed for the restaurant. Hewitt added the new parking at 11301

Park Road will be available for people wanting to use the trail, which should alleviate congestion in downtown parking areas.

2017 Tax Rate Ordinance – First Reading

Mayor Hewitt stated that many of the proposed capital improvement projects in the City have been completed and a sufficient cash reserve has accumulated permitting the budget committee to evaluate a new City tax rate beginning in fiscal year 2017. The committee proposed a City real and personal property tax reduction from \$4.16 per \$100 of assessed value to \$.366 per \$100 beginning this current fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. The discount rate of one percent (1%) will remain unchanged. Hagan conducted the first reading of the tax rate ordinance.

At 6:45 p.m. Ramsey motioned to go to executive session to discuss pending litigation. Wetherton seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. City Council returned to open session from executive session at 7:25 p.m.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

W. Thomas Hewitt
Mayor

Reneé M. Major
City Clerk