

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

Monday, July 09, 2018
6:00 p.m.
City Hall

The Council members in attendance were Cece Hagan, Connie O’Connell, Neil Ramsey, Brian Rublein. 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 6:04 p.m.

MINUTES

Minutes from the June 11, 2018 City Council regular meeting were reviewed. Ramsey motioned to accept the minutes. O’Connell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Mayor Hewitt stated that the City has surplus funds this year and he will consider another reduction in the tax rate next year. The City has not yet received monies due from T-Mobile.

Ramsey asked about the excess in revenues and expenses. Major explained there were \$1.1 million less in expenditures in 2018 compared to the previous year but noted that in 2017 there was a transfer from the general account to the road fund account of \$486,730 that inflated the difference.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Hayes submitted a list of items for consideration as surplus property. O’Connell motioned to make a resolution to declare the items surplus property. Ramsey seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Chief Hayes reported three recent car break-ins in the area from Woodland Road to Anchorage Woods Court. Cars were left unlocked and valuables were stolen.

Hagan recently saw police using radar guns and asked if this was being done according to a schedule. Chief Hayes replied they are checking traffic speed along Log Cabin Lane and Evergreen Road in response to residents’ complaints.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

St. Luke's Episcopal Church presented plans for an addition at the June meeting. Quite a few residents attended the meeting to voice their opposition. The plans were not approved. The church is scheduled to present revised plans at the August Historic Preservation Commission meeting. Ramsey noted the difficulty of getting an impervious surface variance approved when there is opposition from neighbors. Major said the church is looking into green pavers to limit the square footage of new impervious surfaces.

FORESTRY BOARD REPORT

Lucy Spickard stated that all is well with the Forestry Board and thanked O'Connell for being the City Council representative at the Forestry Board meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinance Adopting The Plan 2040 Comprehensive Plan (Case No. Comp_Plan_Update_4.16.18) – Second Reading

McGarvey explained that Director of Metro Planning, Jeff O'Brien, said cities have 90 days from the day Louisville Metro accepted the Plan, which was April 16, 2018 to adopt the Plan. The Anchorage ordinance includes a recital recognizing Anchorage as a village form city. If needed, ordinances can be repealed or amended after they are adopted. Ramsey motioned to approve the ordinance adopting The Plan 2040 with the village form recital. Rublein seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution Approving BMS to manage the City's health insurance and flexible spending accounts for FY2019

Major stated that BMS has managed the healthcare and flexible spending accounts for several years. The City's health insurance is acquired through the Kentucky League of Cities, which keeps the costs down. Hagan made a motion for a resolution approving BMS as manager of the healthcare and flexible spending accounts. Rublein seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

City Buildings: Telephone Equipment and Fiber Installation Upgrades

Major informed Council that the City has been experiencing problems with the phone systems. In the past the police station, public works building, and City Hall phone systems were all connected, but those lines were severed during renovations at City Hall. The police station has already switched to fiber optics. Major stated that the lowest bid was from Communication Connections for \$18,450 to install a new phone system and fiber optics. The system will connect the police station, public works building, and City Hall, have a three-year warranty; and include a new firewall. The company will also provide training on the new system. The second phase of upgrading the system will be to add security cameras that tie into the phone system. Chief Hayes said there will be a redundant system in place at the police station. There were no objections.

City Hall Council Room TV and Monitor System Installation

A new television was mounted in the City Hall Council Room in July. A new laptop and Airtame device were also obtained to use in connection with the television for presentations.

Walking Path Compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act

Major checked on Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) regulations. Yellow rumble strips at the beginning/end of walkways are no longer required, and shared-use trails are not covered by ADA regulations. The City will continue to include the strips in walking paths and do what it can to create safe paths. Major also confirmed that ADA does not mandate signs that point out if a path is not ADA compliant. Photos of new and existing walking paths and a path sign were displayed using the new television. Ramsey noted that existing walking paths should be reviewed for safety, and that feedback on the new walking paths has been very positive.

Executive Session

Ramsey motioned to move to executive session to discuss pending litigation. O'Connell seconded the motion. The Council entered executive session at 6:32 p.m.

City Council returned from executive session at 6:50 p.m. With no further business, Ramsey motioned to adjourn, the motion was seconded by O'Connell and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

W. Thomas Hewitt
Mayor

Reneé M. Major
City Clerk