

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

June 11, 2015
4:30 p.m.
City Hall

The Council members in attendance were Diane Cook, Connie O'Connell, Brian Rublein and Bill Wetherton. Also in attendance were Administrative Officer Reneé Major, and Receptionist/Clerk Sandra Kunzler.

In the absence of Mayor Hewitt, Council members unanimously voted fellow Council member Diane Cook to preside over the meeting.

Cook called the meeting to order at 4:37 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

Second Reading of the FY-2016 Budget Ordinance – O'Connell make a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Rublein. A vote was taken and all approved.

Cell Tower Update – Major reported that Mark Pavey, Senior Construction Manager for AT&T Mobility, sent her information on the status and cost estimates for the guy wires. A copy of his report was distributed to Council members. Major explained that on Wednesday AT&T completed the survey and staking for the rock anchors and guy wires. Two trees and 2 or 3 large shrubs will have to be removed. AT&T will be responsible for taking out the trees. Security fencing around the guy wires was not included in the quote. She has mentioned this required expense to McGarvey. Cook inquired if everything in the document will be AT&T's responsibility to pay. Major indicated AT&T will probably pay first, then seek rent abatements or ask T-Mobile to pay a share, but she mentioned that the City will probably be out some portion of the cost. Major mentioned that T-Mobile had agreed to pay approximately \$17,000 for the bolt replacements, and they articulated that they do not believe guy wires are needed. They feel the work already done is sufficient and meets code. Wetherton said that T-Mobile has not paid rent for a year and a half, and related that McGarvey will be negotiating who pays what. He felt a 3-way split would be appropriate, and asked if Council would consider paying up to a third of the total cost. All agreed. Major said all costs should be finalized before moving forward. The figures submitted today are \$45,757 to install the guy wires, \$12,675 for the rock anchors, and \$750 in engineering fees or just under \$60,000. In addition, the fencing, if required, and crane rental were not included in this total.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

W. Thomas Hewitt
Mayor

Reneé M. Major
City Clerk/Treasurer