

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

Monday, June 10, 2019
6:00 p.m.
City Hall

The Council members in attendance were Cece Hagan, Diane Cook, Neil Ramsey, Bill Wetherton, and Jason Walters. Also, in attendance were: Mayor Tommy Hewitt, City Attorney John McGarvey, City Administrator Reneé Major, Deputy Treasurer Sara Ritchie, Chief Dean Hayes, Public Works Director Gary Burkhead, Clerk/Receptionist Angie Chick, and Forestry Chair Lucy Spickard. Council member Hunter Wilson did not attend.

Mayor Hewitt called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

MINUTES

Walters motioned to approve the May 13, 2019 regular meeting minutes. Wetherton seconded the motion. The motion passed with votes to approve from Hagan, Ramsey, Wetherton, and Walters. Cook arrived following the vote.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The May 2019 financial statement shows a larger than expected surplus due in part to franchise taxes paid by LG&E. The last outstanding sewer loan was recently paid in full.

POLICE REPORT

Cook asked if there would be a benefit to reducing cut through traffic if there was an increase in traffic patrol. The City is already known for speed enforcement with Officers spending a considerable amount of time on patrol and being visible on a regular basis.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Wetherton stated that the St. Luke’s Episcopal Church addition vote will be finalized at the June 18th Historic Preservation Commission meeting. Hewitt discussed fence height restrictions. Hagan inquired about the status of the revised Historic Preservation Guidebook. Wetherton said the consultant expects to have the preliminary report ready by the end of June 2019.

FORESTRY BOARD REPORT

Spickard announced the Forestry Board is working to create the Betty Willets lending library at City Hall. Books about trees and plants will be placed in the conference room cabinet, which was donated by Ms. Willets, and residents will be allowed to check them out. Owl Creek Garden Club has already donated five books in Maryann Davis’ name.

OLD BUSINESS

City Drainage Officer Summary Report of 11703 Cedardale Road

City Attorney John McGarvey indicated the City notified neighbors of drainage issues, and all neighbors complied with correcting the issues, therefore the City has no responsibility going forward.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance: Closing a Portion of Public Way – (Hewitt Property) Cherry Lane – First Reading

Hagan conducted the first reading of the ordinance closing a portion of public way – Cherry Lane.

Ordinance FY2019 Budget – First Reading

Hagan conducted the first reading of an ordinance adopting the City of Anchorage, Kentucky annual budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, by estimating revenues and resources and appropriating funds for the operation of City Government.

Anchor Monument Island – bids June 14, 2019

Council members Cook, Wetherton, and Walters are working on a project to move the Anchor Monument to the island at the intersection of Evergreen Road and Station Road. The move received City Council approval in years past. A newspaper ad was run to request bids for construction, which are due on June 14, 2019. Council approved a subcommittee made up of Hewitt, Major, Cook, Wetherton, and Walters to review the bids and approve a winning bid. Cook mentioned adding lights, possibly solar lights, to the monument, to accent it without the glare being harsh. McGarvey said lighting fixtures should not illuminate neighboring properties. Walters said LED lighting that uses solar power is available. Wetherton asked if the current rock that holds the monument plaque will be used. Cook replied the rock is very large and to the best of her knowledge has no historical significance, therefore, it is not currently being considered for the triangle site.

Nuisance Ordinance Review

McGarvey gave the history behind the Anchorage nuisance ordinance that was adopted in the 1990's. McGarvey asked City Council to consider reviewing all of the nuisances listed in the ordinance for updating and/or deleting. The current ordinance prohibits the keeping of bees in the City. Council may want to consider allowing bee keeping with certain conditions such as setbacks from property lines. Hagan said Council should consider making the ordinance similar to the one for Louisville Metro and make sure it is enforceable. McGarvey, Major, and Hagan will work together to review the ordinance.

Ramsey motioned to enter executive session to discuss pending litigation. Wetherton seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. An executive session was called at 6:34 p.m. Council returned from executive session at 6:42 p.m.

With no further business to discuss, Wetherton motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ramsey and was unanimously passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

W. Thomas Hewitt
Mayor

Reneé M. Major
City Clerk