

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

**Monday, October 11, 2021  
6:00 p.m.**

Council members in attendance were Matt Delehanty, Patrick McMahon, Bill Wetherton, and Hunter Wilson. Also, in attendance were Mayor Neil Ramsey, City Attorney John McGarvey, Assistant City Attorney Richard Edwards, City Administrator Reneé Major, Police Chief Dean Hayes, Clerk/Receptionist Angie Chick, and Anchorage Forestry Board Chairperson Lucy Spickard. Council members Diane Cook and Jason Walters did not attend.

Mayor Ramsey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**MINUTES**

Wilson motioned to approve the September 13, 2021 regular meeting minutes. Delehanty seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Wilson asked about the difference in expenses for police dispatchers. Major explained, there was an extra pay period for July and a wage increase for part-time dispatchers.

Major announced, the City hired Alison Melton, who has an accounting degree, as the new Deputy Treasurer, and that she will start work the week of November 1, 2021.

**POLICE REPORT**

Chief Hayes reported that his staff did not take vacations last year due to the pandemic, and that they are now using vacation time so he has been scheduling more hours to cover vacations. Mayor Ramsey noted that Chief Hayes schedules two officers to work 24 hours per day seven days a week.

Chief Hayes also reported no missing person calls were received this month from the Bellewood Campus.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

Wetherton stated the Historic Preservation District Guidebook revisions were postponed for October. Consultant Dan Fultz is expected to present the revisions at the November Historic Preservation Commission meeting.

## **FORESTRY BOARD REPORT**

Spickard said there were sixteen canopy campaign tree orders placed for a total of 42 trees. She thanked City Council for their support of this project, for which the City pays half of the tree costs and professional planting expenses.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Impervious Surface Variance Request – Rusch, 11933 Creel Lodge Drive**

Robert and Beth Rusch plan to demolish a deck and walkways and build a new deck and walkways. The new plans will reduce the overall impervious surface square footage; however, the impervious surface total will be greater than the 20% maximum allowed, therefore requiring a variance. McGarvey said Creel Lodge subdivision is one of a couple of innovative developments in Anchorage that allow for smaller lots when averaged with green space around them. Wilson motioned to approve the impervious surface variance. Delehanty seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

## **Executive Session**

An executive session was not needed.

## **Announcements**

Anchorfest is Thursday, October 14, 2021 at the Anchorage Middletown Fire Station.

Wilson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Wetherton seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

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Neil Ramsey, Mayor

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Reneé M. Major, City Clerk