

Minutes
City of Cold Bay
Regular Council Meeting

Date: October 17, 2023

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Library

CALL TO ORDER: 7:04 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

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| Council Member | Jae McKee | Present |
| Council Member | Connie Newton | Absent - Excused |
| Council Member | Robert Nielsen | Present |
| Council Member | Dailey Schaack | Present - Online |
| Council Member | Jeff Wasley | Present |
| Mayor | Candace Nielsen | Present - Online |

STAFF PRESENT: Lorie Pierce

GUESTS: Alison Williams, Maria Fasado

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council Member J. Wasley made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member D. Schaack seconded the motion.

All were in Favor

Motion Approved

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council Member D. Schaack made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member J. Wasley seconded the motion.

All were in Favor

Motion Approved

APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIALS

Council Member J. Wasley made a motion to approve the financials. Council Member J. McKee seconded the motion.

All were in Favor

Motion Approved

COMMUNITY COMMENTS ON AGENDA

NONE

REPORTS

Mayor Report: No Report
Public Works Report: Written Report Provided
City Clerk Report: Written Report Provided
Library Report: No Report
AEB Report: No Report
EMS Report: No Report

COMMUNICATIONS APPEARANCES REQUEST
None

HEARINGS ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:
None

BUSINESS:

Old:

- a.) Strategic Planning – Marine Infrastructure
Lorie emailed the Dock PIDP Grant paperwork, Borough feasibility study with preliminary design. Lorie explained a little bit of the design and that it included at this time but is not final lighting, a pedestrian walkway, and a floating dock of sorts for small boats and safer unloading of passengers. Discussion: if the Borough was going to entertain the idea of getting comments from the City of Cold Bay or Council? Lorie stated that the Borough did not file the grant the State filed the grant. It was stated that we need a Harbor rather than a new dock. At this time we have not received word if the grant was accepted or rejected. Lorie will reach out to AML. If the grant is approved will we get to voice our concerns about the design?

New:

- a.) Oath of Office – Council Members
- b.) Nominate/Vote Mayor & Vice-Mayor
- c.) Oath of Office – Mayor
- d.) Oath of Office – Vice-Mayor

Discussion to table the Oath of Offices and the voting of Mayor and Vice-Mayor due to not having all new council members present at this meeting.

Council Member J. Wasley made a motion to table agenda items a, b, c, and d until the next Council meeting. Council Member D. Schaack seconded the motion.

All in Favor

Motion Passed

e.) Silver Salmon Derby Report

Lorie reported that we had a great derby this year. There was a lot of positive feedback. At this time after expenses the net profit was \$16,310.00

f.) Wild Game Storage/Bear Issue

Discussion: Mayor Nielsen was hoping to see a written statement on how someone wants us to address this issue. Not sure what the council can do as we have zero law enforcement capabilities. My best advice is to talk with the individuals that you are having a issue with and let them know. We all want what is best for our city and don't want to put anyone in harm's way. Cold Bay is bear city and they are going to come thru either way. She did some research that there is state law and fines that could be issues for these problems but again with our zero-law enforcement to enforce fines. We could write something up and send it to the state troopers. There isn't a whole lot of direction. Council Member J. Wasley spoke with the AKST about the situation. They are understaffed and would like for the City to take care of the issue as it is easier and not as important as their other duties. They were not on board with people drawing bears into town due to game not being stored properly. There are some repeat residents in town. ADF&G was not happy with bears shot in town as it is a safety issue. All three entities were on board with the city taking care of the issue or helping address it with a fine or a reminder. Draft up an ordinance and talk about it at the next meeting. Research what other communities have in their ordinances.

g.) Sale of City Assets

Council Member J. McKee made a motion to move forward with the sale of the city car as written. Council Member J. Wasley seconded the motion.

All in Favor

Motion Passed

h.) Private Aircraft Landing

Discussion: A community complaint about the helicopter that lands at Cold Bay Adventures that it is a danger to residents. FAA was contacted since it is private land there is nothing they can do.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

Maria Fosado asked the council to reconsider options for the helicopter issue as the propeller wash is dangerous when kids are outside playing.

Alison Williams is concerned about the propeller wash and the dust that it creates. She almost ran into someone on her four-wheeler due to the dust.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT:

Council Member J. Wasley made a motion to adjourn at 7:48 PM. Council Member D. Schaack seconded the motion.

All were in Favor

Motion Passed

Adopted:

ATTEST: _____