

# City of Edna Bay - Special Meeting

## 1 — Meeting Date, Place and Call to order:

This Special Meeting was held on Friday, October 4th, 2019 at Edna Bay School.  
Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra called the meeting to order at 6:19 PM.

## 2 — Roll Call:

Heather Richter	- Mayor / Presiding Officer	(Resigned)
Karen Williams	- Vice Mayor / City Council	(Present)
Tyler Poelstra	- Clerk / City Council	(Present)
Myla Poelstra	- Treasurer / City Council	(Present)
Sandy Henson	- City Council	(Present)
Doris Greif	- City Council	(Absent)
Lee Greif	- City Council	(Absent)

## 2.1 — Public Participants:

Louise DiPaolo	Joe Wargi	Sharon Wargi	Katie Buss
Mike Williams	John Dodson		

## 3 — Consent Agenda:

### A: Approval of Meeting Agenda:

The current agenda was read by Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra.

Consensus of the public attendants was taken in favor, and no objections were noted.

### Motion:

Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra moved to accept the consent agenda as presented.

- *Seconded by Councilor Henson*
- **Approved by unanimous vote of the council**

## 3.1 — Business:

### **Special Business:**

- a: *Election Review Committee and Certification of Election.*

## 4 — Special Business

### **Item A – Election Review Committee and Certification of Election...:**

Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra read back Edna Bay Municipal Code Section 5.50 for those in attendance to detail the role of the Election Review Committee, which is made up of the existing City Council members. Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra opened and presented the ballot box to those in attendance to show it was empty. The box was then locked and the City safe was opened to prepare for the final ballot review process. Sharon Wargi turned in her copy of the original Report of Preliminary Election Results to the City Council. The election materials from the General Election held on Tuesday were removed from the sealed envelope and shown to those in attendance in the order specified in City of Edna Bay Municipal Code.

The count process began with a review of the Question Ballot(s). Only one question ballot was cast, and it was by Brian Mortensen. Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra called and spoke with the Division of Elections regarding the voter, and he is a registered voter in the State of Alaska who's residence is in the City of Edna Bay. The Division of Elections noted the reason his registered voter address had changed this year to Sitka instead of Edna Bay was due to the Opt-Out field of the PFD registration process not being checked this year like it was in 2018 by the voter, which resulted in a change of address. Brian Mortensen has been a registered voter in Edna Bay for many years prior to this change. The Oath and Affidavit envelope was reviewed and found to be compliant. The envelope was opened while keeping the ballot tightly folded, the stub removed and ballot cast.

Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra noted that votes related to the election process are restricted to the Council, acting as the Election Review Committee and do not involve public consensus polling.

**Motion:**

Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra moved to accept a questioned ballot from Brian Mortensen.

- *Seconded by Councilor Henson*
- **Approved by unanimous vote of the council**

Absentee Ballots were then examined and accepted. There were two (2) absentee voters this year, and two ballots were mailed back to the City. The ballots were received before the close of the polls on Tuesday. Doris Greif and Lee Greif's Oath and Affidavit envelopes were reviewed and found to be compliant with Municipal Code. The absentee ballots envelopes were then opened one by one, the stubs removed and the tightly folded ballots cast. The final ballot count process then began.

After opening the ballot box and reviewing the three ballots, the Election Review Committee found that the tallies agreed that there were three (3) votes cast for Doris Greif and three (3) votes for Michael Williams.

The final tallies of all ballots cast in the General Election are as follows:

Doris Greif	20 Votes	Seat C
Michael Williams	20 Votes	Seat D

The final Certificate of Election documents were then prepared for approval.

**Motion:**

Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra moved to Certify the 2019 General Election with Doris Greif winning Seat C with 20 votes and Michael Williams winning Seat D with 20 votes.

- *Seconded by Councilor Williams*
- **Approved by unanimous vote of the council**

**5 – Persons to be Heard:**

Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra thanked the Judges for their work and the public for attending the meeting.

***Adjournment***

Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion seconded by Councilor (Mrs.) Poelstra.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 PM.