

City of Edna Bay - Regular Meeting

1 — Meeting Date, Place and Call to order:

This Regular meeting was held on Monday, August 8th, 2016 at Edna Bay School. Mayor Richter called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

2 — Roll Call:

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| Heather Richter | - Mayor / Presiding Officer | (Present) |
| Karen Williams | - Vice Mayor / City Council | (Present) |
| Tyler Poelstra | - Clerk / City Council | (Present) |
| Myla Poelstra | - Treasurer / City Council | (Present) |
| Carleigh Fairchild | - City Council | (Absent) |
| Doris Greif | - City Council | (Present) |
| Paul Haag | - City Council | (Present - Telephonic) |

2.1 — Public Participants:

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| Sharon Wargi | Sue Crew | Bob Fish | Pat Richter | Maureen Viera |
| Richard Stockdale | Lee Greif | | | |

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.

B: Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:

The following minutes were presented for review:

1: Regular Meeting Minutes of July 11th, 2016 - No objections

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

Motion:

Mayor Richter moved to pass the consent agenda.

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

3.1 — Business:

Old Business:

- a: Personnel Handbook Revision(s).
- b: Discussion and Adoption of Misc. Municipal Forms.
- c: Public Hearing of Budget Amendment for Bulk Fuel Earthwork Ordinance 16-07NCO.

New Business:

- a: Council Teleconferencing Discussion and Decision.
- b: Bulk Fuel Project / Site Prep Discussion and Decision.

4 — Mayor's Report:

Mayor Richter reported POWCAC has a brief description and photos of each City in their yearly Prince of Wales Island Guide. She felt that the guide puts Edna Bay on the map, and our decade long membership with POWCAC has been beneficial for at least that reason. The guide currently has out of date information that needs to be revised if the City continues onward with a POWCAC membership.

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

Motion:

Mayor Richter moved to continue our membership with POWCAC.

- *Seconded by Councilor (Mrs.) Poelstra*
- **Approved by unanimous vote of the council**

Councilor Haag called a Point of Order regarding the ability of Councilman to vote and count toward quorum when attending telephonically, as per Title 2.40.090(a). Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra concurred that as per the Voting Requirements section, Councilor Haag could vote on all business while attending over the phone, and would count towards quorum. It was agreed that further discussion on the topic would be handled under New Business Item A.

5 — Clerk's Report:

No report.

6 — Treasurer's Report:

Myla Poelstra read back the treasurer's report.

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Committee Reports

7.1 — Dock Committee:

Tyler Poelstra (Dock Chairman) stated that he did not get a response from the plastic log float company yet and will try to reach out by phone soon.

7.2 — Road Committee:

No report.

7.3 — EMS Committee:

The EMS is currently working with Chaundell for scheduling the ETT class. They are attempting to get the ETT Online class setup for Edna Bay to utilize. The Health Fair was a success for Dauna Paul, and the Health Fair for next year has been funded.

7.4 — Search & Rescue Committee:

No report.

7.5 — Fire Committee:

No report.

7.6 — Fish & Game Advisory:

No report.

7.7 — Bulk Fuel:

No report.

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Old Business

Item A – Personnel Handbook Revision(s)....:

Mayor Richter noted that the item needs more work and will be forwarded to the next agenda.

Item B – Discussion and Adoption of Misc. Municipal Forms:

Mayor Richter and Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra explained revisions to the Candidate for City Council form to bring it up to date for 2016. Revisions were made to the form to include a location for a unique identifier, the year 2016 was added, and the details of the form were amended to require that only a single original form with all original signatures be submitted with the included Declaration of Candidacy form.

Sue Crew questioned the current revision that requires original signatures to be returned on only a single original Candidate for City Council signature sheet. Mayor Richter stated that it is up to each candidate how and from whom they obtain the necessary signatures for their petition.

Consensus of the public attendants was taken in favor of adopting the form, with one individual objecting.

Motion:

Mayor Richter moved that we adopt the amended Candidate for City Council form.

- *Seconded by Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra*
- **Approved by unanimous vote of the council**

Item C – Public Hearing of Budget Amendment for Bulk Fuel Earthwork...:

Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra displayed the final draft of Ordinance 16-07NCO on the projector and read it back to all in attendance.

Consensus of the public attendants was taken in favor, with one individual objecting.

Motion:

Councilor (Mrs.) Poelstra moved that we adopt Ordinance 16-07NCO to amend the budget for Bulk Fuel Earthwork / Construction.

- *Seconded by Councilor Williams*
- **Approved by majority vote of the council**
- **Council vote:**

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| Heather Richter: | Yea |
| Tyler Poelstra: | Yea |
| Myla Poelstra: | Yea |
| Karen Williams: | Yea |
| Doris Greif: | Yea |
| Paul Haag: | Nay |

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New Business

Item A – Council Teleconferencing Discussion and Decision:

Mayor Richter opened the item and explained it was carried forward to the current agenda for deeper public discussion on Teleconferencing. Pat Richter wants to see the municipal code amended so that council members attending via teleconference do not count towards quorum and are not to vote on items without being present in Edna Bay.

Mayor Richter shared her feeling from when the item was initially discussed that and at several occasions since, teleconferencing was for informational purposes and council members would not vote when they are not present at the meeting. Revisiting Title 2 for clarification shows that our existing code supports voting and quorum via teleconferencing. The public in general felt that teleconferencing was a valuable tool for councilmen to be informed when absent, but that there could be too many missing dynamics for an absent council member to make a fully informed vote.

Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra shared his general agreement with the consensus of the public regarding the primary purpose of teleconferencing for informational purposes only and shared that the original intent of its inclusion in Title 2 was initially for ensuring quorum could be maintained regardless of whether a member was unable to return to Edna Bay in time for a meeting. Councilor Haag felt that after hearing the discussion, that the Code is intended to and should reflect the desires of the City and its residents and would like to see a discussion item for these changes on the next agenda.

Mayor Richter and Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra will work on producing a draft amendment for Title 2.

Item B – Bulk Fuel Project / Site Prep Discussion and Decision:

Mayor Richter shared that there has been lots of discussion in the last month with the AEA on the tank farm project. At the last stage in the process the AEA was aiming to move forward with site prep utilizing Superior for the work, but since then Superior will no longer be retained for completion of the contract.

The AEA has other funding streams to put towards the project and is continuing to move towards issuing a pass-through grant to the City for the site prep work and the rest of the project. Draft paperwork for the complete pass through grant is being drawn up. Accurate figures for the remaining project funding are waiting on the AEA to finalize the contract termination with Superior.

Mayor Richter stated that she is gathering figures for the cost of tanks, transportation and materials needed to finish the project. Pat asked if the City would need to vote to take on the entire project if Superior is no longer going to be the contractor. It was agreed that a motion should be made if the City would like to take the steps needed for assuming the grant funding and completion of the project.

Consensus of the public attendants was taken in favor, with one individual objecting.

Motion:

Councilor (Mrs.) Poelstra that the City assume responsibility utilizing pass-through grant funding and seeing the Bulk Fuel Project through to completion.

- *Seconded by Councilor Greif*
- **Approved by majority vote of the council**
- **Council vote:**

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| Heather Richter: | Yea |
| Tyler Poelstra: | Yea |
| Myla Poelstra: | Yea |
| Karen Williams: | Yea |
| Doris Greif: | Yea |
| Paul Haag: | Nay |

Sue asked what was the current progress report on the contract. Mayor Richter shared that the AEA had been interested in pursuing force-accounting for site work so that their procurement department could rent local equipment to do the work. The legal developments with Superior changed the process, so the AEA has decided to move in a different direction

Pat shared his feeling that everyone needs to understand that this is a big project and everyone needs to work with one-another and agree to disagree in order to see it through to completion with majority support.

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Persons to Be Heard

Councilor Haag shared his appreciation for Pat's comments, and his feeling that he does not feel like it is a problem to be in the minority. He shared his agreement that once the process on the bulk fuel project gets going in the direction it is moving in that we should get behind it and go to completion.

Adjournment

Mayor Richter moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion seconded by Councilor (Mr.) Poelstra

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.