

# City of Edna Bay - Regular Meeting

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

This Regular meeting was held on Monday, January 24th, 2022 via Cisco WebEx teleconference. Mayor Poelstra called the meeting to order at 6:07 PM.

## 2 — Roll Call:

Tyler Poelstra	- Mayor / City Council	(Present)
Karen Williams	- Vice Mayor / City Council	(Present)
Myla Poelstra	- Clerk + Treasurer / City Council	(Present)
Mike Williams	- City Council	(Present)
Sandy Henson	- City Council	(Absent)
Paul Haag	- City Council	(Present)
Doris Greif	- City Council	(Resigned, Oct 29th, 2021)

## 2.1 — Public Participants:

Katie Buss

## 3 — Consent Agenda:

### A: Approval of Meeting Agenda:

The current agenda was read by Mayor 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 December 13th, 2021 - No questions.

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

### Motion:

Mayor Poelstra moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.

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

## 3.1 — Business:

### Old Business:

- a: *Draft Municipal Code "Title 7 - Harbor Facilities" (Pending Availability), Discussion and Decision.*

### New Business:

- a: *Appointing Volunteer to Fill Council Seat C Vacancy, Discussion and Decision.*
- b: *Submitting Community Transportation Project List for Road Maintenance / Construction, Discussion and Decision.*

## 4 — Mayor's Report:

Mayor Poelstra reported that he reached out to DNR regarding the steps required for the City to establish a blasting pit on Municipal lands. He also reported that he spoke with Iura (State LGS) regarding the draft of Title 7. Iura is hoping to have a draft ready this week, aiming for Wednesday.

Mayor Poelstra reported that the transition plate hinges at the top of the gangway were bent due to ice buildup. He is currently looking into the simplest way to hire labor for general City maintenance activities, such as repairs on the Fire Truck, running a snow plow, shoveling off the dock, etc. The Fire Truck has some electrical / mechanical items that need labor to fully address, so the City needs to hire out for the work.

He is looking at getting more scoop shovels for the dock to replace the missing ones, and researching other items needed to better prepare for further heavy snow events, like a snow blower. He located a V-Plow for the Fire Truck that could allow the truck to plow the roads, which will be around \$6000 to buy.

## **5 — Clerk's Report:**

No report.

## **6 — Treasurer's Report:**

Myla Poelstra (Treasurer) read back the Treasurer's Report.

Councilor Haag asked when the remaining portion of the \$100K encumbered funds for the harbor project will be released. Mayor Poelstra said, based on conversation with DOT, the project needs to be closed out first, which is pending easement adjustments that DNR is currently processing prior to the harbor being transferred to the City.

## **7 —**

### **Committee Reports**

#### **7.1 — Dock Committee:**

Tyler Poelstra (Dock Chairman) reported that as noted during the Mayor's report, the transition plate hinges at the top of the gangway are buckled from ice buildup. He tried to chip the ice away to limit damage, but it still occurred. He will get the hinges straightened when there is good weather for the work.

Tyler noted the snow load on the dock and that DOT specified that the float should not sink. Based on rough calculation, DOT anticipates the dock can safely hold around 20" of wet snow. Tyler reported that before he and others shoveled off the finger floats, the freeboard on the floats was still around 1-2", or around 1/3 of what it normally is with no weight on the floats.

He also noted that the back corner where the skiff floats are located is taking more turbulence than was expected which may result in early wear on the pile collars. Additionally, the new breakwater lights do not seem as reliable at charging with solar activity as the old ones, since the light closest to the beach sometimes fails to flash, even though the recovered light from the old breakwater is lighting while in front of the shop door.

The City Skiff will be unloaded and stored at the dock so it is available to break ice.

#### **7.2 — Road Committee:**

Michael Williams (Road Chairman) reported that he is glad that things are thawing but feels it is important for the City to have its own plow, preferably a V-Plow on the Fire Truck. He noted that a rock drill is going to be arriving on the island soon and it would be nice to be able to use it for a City rock pit if we can manage getting paperwork ready in time. He also noted the need to hire labor for getting the Fire Truck repairs done.

#### **7.3 — EMS Committee:**

Karen Williams (EMS Administrator) had no report.

#### **7.4 — Search & Rescue Committee:**

Roger DiPaolo (Chairman) not present. No report.

#### **7.5 — Fire Committee:**

Brian Mortensen (Fire Chief) not present. No report.

#### **7.6 — Fish & Game Advisory:**

No report.

#### **7.7 — Bulk Fuel:**

Tyler Poelstra (Plant Manager) reported fuel levels are on track for needing a fuel delivery by late March, or some time in April. The USCG has notified the City they will be conducting their annual on-site inspection in June.

## **8 —**

### **Old Business**

#### **Item A - Draft Municipal Code "Title 7 - Harbor Facilities", ...:**

Mayor Poelstra stated there is nothing new available on this item and once the draft is completed there will be a meeting to review the initial draft document.

**Item A - Appointing Volunteer to Fill Council Seat C Vacancy, ...:**

Mayor Poelstra asked if there were any volunteers to consider for the position. No volunteers notified the City of their interest and no one in attendance offered. The item is tabled to the next meeting.

**Item B - Submitting Community Transportation Project List ...:**

Mayor Poelstra reported that Jon Bolling reached out the City a few weeks back, to provide a brief overview of what Southeast Conference and the State are working on in regards to finding ways of implementing Federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) in Alaskan communities. Right now, Southeast Conference is looking for project narratives for new road construction / maintenance related activities that promote the creation of local jobs. Does the City want to submit a list of a few key projects and items to help the State in determining how Edna Bay would make use of these funds?

After discussion, it was agreed to submit 4 forms to Southeast Conference containing the following items:

- 1: Limestone Place Repairs
- 2: Blasting a City Rock Pit
- 3: Obtaining a Rock Screening Plant
- 4: Obtaining a Road Grader

It was determined that a snow plow could be purchased with existing City funds and would be best not to include in the list of narrative items.

Consensus of the public attendants was taken in favor of submitting the four (4) priority items, no objections were noted.

**Motion:**

Councilor Haag moved to submit Transportation Project Info Sheets to Southeast Conference for the following four (4) items:

- 1) Limestone Place
- 2) Municipal Rock Source
- 3) Rock Screening Plant
- 4) Road Grader

- *Seconded by Mayor Poelstra*

- **Approved by unanimous vote of the Council**

None.

**Adjournment**

Mayor Poelstra moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion to adjourn seconded by Councilor (Mr.) Williams.

Meeting adjourned at 6:44 PM.