

City of Edna Bay - Special (Postponed Regular) Meeting

1 — Meeting Date, Place and Call to order:

This Special meeting was held on Monday, December 18th, 2023 via Cisco WebEx. Mayor Poelstra called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

2 — Roll Call:

Tyler Poelstra	- Mayor / City Council	(Present - Teleconference)
Sandy Henson	- Vice Mayor / City Council	(Present - Teleconference)
Myla Poelstra	- Clerk + Treasurer / City Council	(Present - Teleconference)
Mike Williams	- City Council	(Present - Teleconference)
Doris Greif	- City Council	(Present - Teleconference)
Jay Towne	- City Council	(Present - Teleconference)
Louise DiPaolo	- City Council	(Present - Teleconference)

2.1 — Public Participants:

Roger DiPaolo Matthew Yellen Sarah Yellen

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 November 13th, 2023 - 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 Williams*
- **Approved by unanimous vote of the council**

3.1 — Business:

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- None

4 — Mayor's Report:

Mayor Poelstra reported that he did some research into the Mat-Su Borough laws regarding road powers and regulating log truck traffic. He is working on preparing a template to send to the municipal attorney for a thumbs up (or down) on whether the law is compatible with the powers and structure of the City of Edna.

He explained that the timing on adoption of this type of title will be important, to ensure it is in effect prior to the conclusion of any upcoming comment periods or decisions, once they are eventually in process. He is concerned the Division of Forestry will attempt to move on the next area in February and attempt to access the local subdivision roads.

Mayor Poelstra reported the City skiff has been worked on and is running well. It's in the water now and ready for use around the harbor. The skiff can be used to break up ice around the dock this winter, if needed. He is going to check on if there is room under the gangway to store the skiff at various tide levels, and if it can fit, look at what it will take to install cleats there for it.

He noted he is going to meet with Caleb in the coming weeks and discuss harbor matters, slip assignments, and any other pertinent harbor items so that they stay on top of items as they arise.

He also reported that Joe Wargi called to investigate the cost of any size of new BOSS snow plows that were available at Tyler Rental, just to see what local prices were on a complete, ready to use solution. Most plows that they have in stock run around \$12K for a complete plow, including mounting hardware.

5 — Clerk's Report:

No report.

6 — Treasurer's Report:

No report. No questions on the Treasurer's Report.

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Committee Reports

7.1 — Dock Committee:

Tyler Poelstra (Dock Chairman) gave a brief report.

A question was raised on what it would take to resurface the transition plate and aluminum ramps on the gangway to improve traction. Mayor Poelstra said the existing material was mixed with sand and applied to the metal after it was cleaned and rapidly heated with a blow torch. He said that would be difficult to do in the winter time without the right facilities. He offered that additional roofing tiles could be purchased and affixed to the float plane float to improve usable surface.

He noted that DOT has still not closed out the harbor reconstruction project, and that he would continue to apply pressure to them so that we can release our encumbered project funds for other projects.

7.2 — Road Committee:

Michael Williams (Road Chairman) had no report.

Mayor Poelstra said after discussion at a previous meeting, lights have been selected for the road grader and will be ordered soon so they can be installed before the snow arrives. The total for all lights and related items is under \$500.

He also reported that the USFS road agreement that provided them access through the Edna Bay subdivision to the small marine access facility near the harbor, expired in 2020 and is no longer in effect. It was a 5-year agreement for access through the community and was not renewed or extended.

7.3 — EMS Committee:

Mayor Poelstra asked locals to consider availability of able bodied volunteers and whether there are enough to warrant reactivating the committee, or if it should be maintained for the foreseeable future as an entity to manage and maintain equipment to access in the event of an emergency.

7.4 — Search & Rescue Committee:

Roger DiPaolo (Chairman) had no report.

7.5 — Fire Committee:

Brian Mortensen (Fire Chief) not present - no report.

7.6 — Fish & Game Advisory:

Myla Poelstra stated she is planning to post a meeting for January to re-organize the group.

7.7 — Bulk Fuel:

Tyler Poelstra (Plant Manager) reported that fuel levels are still good for a few more months. He also noted that prices have been on steady decline nationwide and the next load of fuel should bring lower retail costs.

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Old Business

None

9 —
None

New Business

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Persons to Be Heard

Tyler Poelstra said Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone.

Mike Williams said Merry Christmas to all of the wonderful people we live with in Edna Bay.

Adjournment

Mayor Poelstra moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion to adjourn seconded by Councilor Williams.

Meeting adjourned at 6:29 PM.