

DRAFT - City of Edna Bay - Regular Meeting

1 — Meeting Date, Place and Call to order:

This Regular meeting was held on Monday, July 13th, 2026 at the Edna Bay School and via WebEx. Mayor Poelstra called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM.

2 — Roll Call:

Tyler Poelstra	- Mayor / City Council	(Present)
Sandy Henson	- Vice Mayor / City Council	(Present)
Myla Poelstra	- Clerk + Treasurer / City Council	(Present)
Mike Williams	- City Council	(Present - Tele)
Jay Towne	- City Council	(Present)
Louise DiPaolo	- City Council	(Present)
Caleb Kitson	- City Council	(Present)

2.1 — Public Participants:

Joe Wargi	Katie Buss (Tele)	Tony Hendershot (Tele)	Lee Reinard (Tele)
John McCleary	Kelsey Leak	Fran Rhodes	Sue Crew
Roger DiPaolo	Matthew Yellen	Sarah Yellen	Caleb Yellen
Christina Hayes			

(It was noted that the regular teleconference phone line was out of service and Tyler volunteered to use his cell phone on speaker for attendees to listen in)

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 June 8th, 2026 - No comments or questions.

Consensus of the public attendants was taken in favor of the consent agenda, there were no questions.

Motion:

Mayor Poelstra moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- *Seconded by Councilor Towne*

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

3.1 — Business:

Old Business: None.

New Business:

- a) Purchasing Additional Rock to Improve Road Surfaces, Discussion and Decision.

4 — Mayor's Report:

Mayor Poelstra reported that he got the new alternator installed on the fire truck. The truck is now able to charge the batteries correctly, but he discovered the power regulator (\$15 part) needs to be replaced as well. A new regulator has been ordered and will be installed when it arrives.

The Kids Don't Float box has been removed and the new bench installed in its place. Four sizes of float coats and the folding chairs are stored in the bench.

Mayor Poelstra E-mailed DOT regarding the harbor transfer to the City. DOT has E-mailed DNR for an update but a response has not yet been sent.

He said he has not yet had a chance to speak to the USFS regarding permission to grade the portion of 1525 that runs past Carwash Spring and through the MAF, or speak to Division of Forestry for permission to grade the portion of road that runs through the black forest. He will work on that before the next meeting.

Sue Crew asked a question about rocks on the road that show up after a fresh grading and whether the roller would break them up. Mayor Poelstra was not confident if they were limestone marbles that the roller could break them up. Consensus was that folks generally just kick those kind of rocks off the road as they find them.

5 — Clerk's Report:

Myla Poelstra had nothing new to report. Mayor Poelstra noted the 2026 Elections Timeline will posted soon.

6 — Treasurer's Report:

Copies of the Treasurer's Report were available online. There no questions.

7 — Committee Reports

7.1 — Dock Committee:

Tyler Poelstra (Dock Chairman) said the fish cleaning station is his next priority. He has it assembled, but due to the front float of the dock being tilted, he will need to cut, weld and paint it in-place on the dock to ensure the surface is level so that fish slime does not pool up in the wrong corner.

Sue Crew asked if the harbor parking was going to be expanded. Tyler noted that since the 72-hour parking signs went up, neighbors have been working together to keep the parking spaces open and there is less pressure to open up more parking. He also noted that until the harbor is transferred, the City will not have site control of the upland from the shoreline where further parking expansion could be made.

It was noted that the two white pickups parked on the edge of the USFS 1525 right of way may soon belong to the Shultz family and they will be here to move them in the coming weeks.

Tyler said he plans to get the City Skiff out of the water so it can be worked on, and to open up another slip.

7.2 — Road Committee:

Mike Williams (Road Chairman) said he had nothing new to report.

Sue Crew asked about personal use of the road grader. Mayor Poelstra stated that Joe Wargi is the City equipment operator, and that he stores the equipment on his property free of charge. Moving the grader in and out of his driveway warped the intersection and he used the grader for a few minutes to even out material and fill the hole. Mayor Poelstra said he was aware Sue had video recorded Joe performing the activity and asked those in attendance if they had a problem with Joe using the equipment in this fashion. No one raised their hand or stated they had any issue.

7.3 — EMS Committee:

Myla Poelstra (Squad Captain) had no report. Mayor Poelstra said the number of people is still too low to get a trainer to come into Edna Bay. He suggested the sign-up sheet be put up again to see if there are any changes to the number of interested people (there were only two signed up for EMS last time it was posted).

7.4 — Search & Rescue Committee:

Roger DiPaolo (Chairman) had no report. Sue Crew asked if the Search & Rescue is signed up for water rescues. Roger DiPaolo stated that legally, the first and only thing we do is call the troopers to initiate a rescue and have equipment ready for volunteer responders.

Sue wanted to know why we don't have water Search & Rescue. Myla Poelstra stated that the City does not have a vessel or proper insurance to dispatch locals on behalf of the Search & Rescue committee. It was general consensus that locals may optionally assist when someone is requesting a search over the water, and if they respond, the City will do what it can to replace fuel that is used for the search.

Jay Town explained that when he responded to a Coast Guard request for locals to find a vessel in the area years ago, he was not provided with any reimbursement for his efforts. Sarah Yellen suggested that we vote to compensate Jay with fuel for his efforts. Mayor Poelstra agreed. If someone helps the USCG or Troopers when they request local volunteers he felt the City should do what it can to help them with any fuel used so

people don't feel discouraged from assisting. He stated water based searches should be a volunteer effort, not an obligation for the City to take on in our limited capacity.

Consensus was to compensate Jay Towne fuel for responding to a water search, no objections were noted.

Motion:

Mayor Poelstra moved to compensate Jay Towne for 35 gallons of fuel used responding to a Coast Guard call in 2023.

- *Seconded by Councilor Kitson*

- **Approved Unanimously by vote of the council**

7.5 — Fire Committee:

Brian Mortensen (Fire Chief) not present.

Mayor Poelstra contacted Brian Mortensen about holding a fire drill. Brian said he will work on putting together a drill when he is back home soon. Jay Towne offered to make a map of all of the fire ponds in Edna Bay and have the sheets laminated so they can be stored in the fire truck with the pumps. Caleb Kitson offered to assist him, if he needs help gathering the data.

7.6 — Fish & Game Advisory:

Myla Poelstra (F&G Secretary) said she never received the information from John McCleary about a point of contact at the Fish & Game office. She then called the Director of Fish & Game for assistance. The Director will assist in reactivating the Advisory Committee. Myla said she will be posting a meeting at a time when all of the interested individuals will be able to attend. The committee will need 7 primaries and 2 alternates.

7.7 — Bulk Fuel:

Tyler Poelstra (Plant Manager) said a fuel delivery will be coming in the next few weeks. Prices are still volatile so local pricing has to remain where it is until we see where the final cost of the load comes out.

8 — Old Business

None.

9 — New Business

Item A - Purchasing Additional Rock to Improve Road Surfaces:

Mayor Poelstra said it was discussed at the last few meetings revisiting the topic of adding more fines to improve the road surface. Last year the City applied fines to the worst areas of the main road in Edna Bay in front of Fran's, Charlie Creek and the Church. There are several areas that are still in need of additional material to improve road surface quality and make them gradable.

He asked for input on whether there was interest in adding more material to the road surface, and if so, how many loads of material for this block of maintenance. After discussion, consensus was to add up-to 24 more loads of material in the worst areas around the Edna Bay road to see how far we can get and then revisit the topic at the next meeting.

Consensus was in favor of purchasing up-to 24 more loads of fines from Davidson Enterprises to apply to the worst areas of the Edna Bay road, no objections were noted.

Motion:

Mayor Poelstra moved to agree to purchase up to 24 loads of fines at \$300.00 per load from Davidson Enterprises for the Edna Bay roads.

- *Seconded by Councilor Henson*

- **Approved Unanimously by vote of the council**

Mayor Poelstra explained that the portion of road at the turn by Christian Rotolla's house though the Black

Forest to USFS road 1525 is an easement owned and managed by the Division of Forestry. The City will need to obtain permission from DOF to maintain that area, and in his opinion it only makes sense to apply fines up to the bridge by Cristian's, but not past. He will work on obtaining permission from the USFS and DOF to grade and maintain the portion of road from Cristian's to USFS 1525 through to the harbor.

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Persons to Be Heard

Louise DiPaolo said she thinks No Name Creek may be approachable for a second source of Community water.

Adjournment

Mayor Poelstra moved for the meeting be adjourned.

Motion to adjourn seconded by Councilor Towne.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.