
Common Council
Tuesday, October 11, 2022
7:00 PM at City Hall
MINUTES



Members Present: Cheryl Braun, Richard Evans, Jane Fude, Kay Marose, John Schuster, and Mayor Wegener
Members Absent: Dave Gratton
Also, Present: Meagan Buchda and City Attorney Andrew Griggs

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and roll call was taken.

C. Braun motioned and **J. Schuster** seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

K. Marose motioned and **J. Schuster** seconded to approve the minutes of previous meetings. Motion carried.

R. Evans motioned and **C. Braun** seconded to approve the minutes of intervening meetings. Motion carried.

Public appearances and citizen comments: None

Communications: Mayor Dan Wegener wanted to send out his condolences to the family of Jeffrey Niehoff who recently passed away. Jeffrey was a long-time volunteer and employee of the Juneau Fire and EMS Departments.

J. Fude / J. Schuster motioned to approve \$352,154.19 in checks, \$0 in vouchers, and \$144,858.41 in electronic payments.

Reports of Officials:

A. Mayor:

a. **J. Schuster / J. Fude** motioned to approve Resolution 38-2022 (Approve Mayoral Appointments), after amended. Need to remove the Utility Personnel as they are appointed at the Organizational meeting. Motion carried 4-0. **K. Marose** abstained.

B. Clerk/Treasurer: M. Buchda – Reported that she and the other department heads are working on the 2023 Budget. The numbers are similar to 2022 budget.

C. Written Reports:

1. [Building Permits Report.](#)
2. [Police Department Report:](#)
3. [Juneau Fire and Rescue Report:](#)
4. [Juneau EMS Report:](#)

Reports of Committees/Commission/Boards:

A. Library Report

1. Chairman Report - *J. Thrane* reported that Friends of the Library will be working at the Pizza Ranch in Watertown on October 17, 2022, from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. This will benefit children's programs at the Juneau Public Library. 10% of total sales will go to the Friends for the Juneau Public Library. Thrane also reported that there will be pumpkin painting at the Library. You can either choose to paint a real pumpkin or an artificial pumpkin. No carved pumpkins please.

B. Plan Commission

1. Chairman Report – *Mayor Dan* reported that there was no meeting but that the Chicken Ordinance will be revisited at a future meeting.

C. Finance Committee –

1. Chairman Report- *C. Braun* reported that M. Buchda Clerk/Treasurer was at the meeting to discuss the 2023 budget.
2. **C. Braun motioned and K. Marose seconded to approve Resolution 40-2022 (Approve Health Care Providers). Motion carried 5-0.**
3. **C. Braun motioned and R. Evans to approve Resolution 43-2022 (Approve Wage Increase for Gerald Tidyman – DPW Part-Time Employee). Motion carried 5-0.**

D. Personnel Committee

1. Chairman Report - *K. Marose* reported that the committee recommended a 4 to 5% wage increase for the City employees. She also stated that they discussed a working from home policy and determined that no Policy would be created as every situation is different. Every request will have to go through the Personnel Committee for approval or denial. They went over the City's training policy form and have decided to revise certain parts. A resolution will be created and read in next council meeting. Personnel approves the 2023 Health Insurance Plan.

E. Public Safety

1. Chairman Report – *J. Schuster* reported that there was going to be an address change for the upcoming Pig Roast. It will now be held at the Public Safety Building-located at 128 Cross Street. He updated the council on the house on Fairfield and said that Attorney Griggs will be mailing a 10-day notice to the owners. One resident is not responding to correspondence. J. Schuster commented that the Public Safety Building got a new parking lot with curb and gutter. J. Schuster also wanted to share that the Juneau Fire Chief Curt Ninmann will be retiring from his position effective February 2023.
2. **J. Schuster motioned and J. Fude seconded to approve Resolution 41-2022 (Approve Temporary Class "B" License for Juneau Fire Department – Pig Roast) following address change amendment. Motion carried 5-0.**

F. Public Works

1. Chairman Report – *Mayor Wegener* reported on the issues on E. Oak Street. He discussed sewer issues along with backfill issues. Mayor Wegener went over the Scope of Contract with Soper as they want to charge the City 3x times the cost of granulated backfill. The City received a quote from Glander at \$8.75 per ton and from Soper at \$20.00 a ton. Attorney Griggs went over

contract and states that the City should not have to pay Soper for the backfill and should be able to get the fill on their own.

G. Cable TV

1. Chairman Report – *J. Fude: No Meeting*

H. Community Development Authority

1. Chairman Report – *D. Wegener: No Meeting*

I. Recreation Committee

1. Chairman Report – *K. Marose*: reported that the Recreation Committee has been discussing a mutual use agreement with Dodgeland and stated that there was no formal agreement. M. Buchda told Marose that she located an agreement signed in 1986. This agreement will be presented to the Recreation Committee and that insurance information will need to be shared between the two parties. Also, it was reported that the Rec Director got a total of 5 bids for the Concession buildings/Scores booth siding.

J. Utility Commission Report by Common Council Representative

1. Chairman Report – *R. Evans* reported that the Commission has met several times over the last month to discuss wages. The Commission is still waiting on a contract response from Sensient. Evans let the council know that the Summer hours have been extended through the deration of the street projects.
2. ***R. Evans* motioned and *C. Braun* seconded to approve Resolution 42-2022 (Resolution Declaring Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures from Proceeds if Borrowing). Motion carried 5-0.**

Old Business: K. Marose wanted to remind the Council that the General Election is coming up November 8, 2022, and if any of the Council members were not planning on attending the Council meeting that night that they should let City Hall know in advance.

New Business:

- A. Approve Provisional Licenses (45 days): Linette M. McDonald
Recommended Denial: None
- B. Approve Regular Bartender’s License for 2022 (Expires June 30th, 2023)
Recommended Approval: Linnete M. McDonald
Recommended Denial: None
- K. ***J. Fude* motioned and *J. Schuster* seconded to approve Provisional Bartender’s Licenses for 2022 for Linnete McDonald Motion carried 5-0.**
- L. ***J. Fude* motioned and *D. Gratton* seconded to approve Regular Bartender’s Licenses (Expires June 30, 2023) for Linnete M. McDonald. Motion carried 5-0.**
- M. **Adjourn Meeting: *J. Schuster* motioned, and *K. Marose* seconded to adjourn meeting at 7:55 p.m. Motion carried.**

Minutes Reported By:
Meagan Buchda