

City of Coffman Cove
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 20, 2010

Public Hearing 1:45 p.m. – Title VII – Utilities- Littering

There was some discussion on the littering ordinance; the council feels it is a wonderful ordinance to have. There was some concern about who is going to enforce the ordinance. Sara Yockey will follow up on whether the troopers will enforce our ordinance and return the information to the Council.

Call to Order: Vice Mayor, Sara Yockey designated, Elaine Price to chair the meeting, in order to allow Sara Yockey to act as City Clerk. Elaine Price called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Misty Fitzpatrick excused; Sara Yockey, present; Elaine Price, present; Gary Wilburn, present; Bill Fitzpatrick, present; Marianna Carter, present and Carolyn Duncan, present.

Public Comment: Sara Yockey read the letter from Kent Miller, of Alaska SeaRoads to ask if the city bus will be available for him to use for a shuttle service between Craig, Klawock, Coffman Cove and Hollis. Sara Yockey made a motion to add the city bus to the agenda under new business, Elaine Price seconded, all were in favor. City bus was added under new business.

Approval of Agenda: Elaine Price made a motion to add city bus to the agenda under new business. Gary Wilburn seconded the motion. Roll call: Elaine Price, yes; Gary Wilburn, yes; Mariana Carter, yes; Bill Fitzpatrick, yes; Carolyn Duncan, yes; Sara Yockey, yes. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Consent Agenda: Gary Wilburn made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Sara Yockey seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

Resolutions & Ordinances

1. **Introduce Non-code Ordinance 10-05 - Budget:** Sara Yockey made a motion to introduce Non-code Ordinance 10-05 Gary Wilburn seconded the motion. If anyone has any question or additions please contact the office. We will have a workshop on Friday, June 4th in the afternoon with a special meeting to follow. Elaine Price would like to see us offer sick leave. Make it based on how many years you have worked for the city with a limit of three weeks and you can't add on to vacation time. Carolyn Duncan would like to see up to 3 days for the

1st year and 6 after 2 years. We will discuss this topic more at the workshop. Roll Call: Elaine Price, yes; Gary Wilburn, yes; Mariana Carter, yes; Bill Fitzpatrick, yes; Carolyn Duncan, yes and Sara Yockey, yes. All were in favor, motion passed.

2. **Ordinance 10-06 - Amend Title VII – Utilities – Littering:** Gary Wilburn made a motion to approve Ordinance 10-06, Carolyn Duncan seconded the motion. Bill Fitzpatrick feels we should wait for more community input. Elaine Price stated it has been hanging out for 5 months she feels it has been long enough. Roll call: Elaine Price, yes; Gary Wilburn, yes; Mariana Carter, yes; Bill Fitzpatrick, yes; Carolyn Duncan, yes and Sara Yockey, yes. All were in favor, motion passed.
3. **Ordinance 10-07 - SEASWA** – Southeast Alaska Solid Waste Management Program: Sara Yockey made a motion to introduce Ordinance 10-07 Gary Wilburn seconded the motion. Carolyn Duncan asked if anyone thought the project will die since Justin Thorensin is leaving? Sara Yockey stated there are a lot of other communities involved other than Thorne Bay. Elaine Price believes we should be part of the decision making process and if we are not on the board we will have no voice in what they do. After the ordinance is approved it will have to go on the ballot in October. Roll call: Elaine Price, yes; Gary Wilburn, yes; Mariana Carter, yes; Bill Fitzpatrick, yes; Carolyn Duncan, yes and Sara Yockey, yes. All were in favor, motion passed.
4. **Introduce Ordinance 10-08** - Title VII - Utilities – amend Carolyn Duncan made a motion to introduce Ordinance 10-08, as amended. Elaine Price seconded the motion. Sara Yockey read the additions. Community member Brian Wilson said he thinks it is a great idea. Elaine Price would like to add to the payment plan agreement they have to dedicate \$500 from their dividend to their past due balance if it is over \$500. Roll call: Elaine Price, yes; Gary Wilburn, yes; Mariana Carter, yes; Bill Fitzpatrick, yes; Carolyn Duncan, yes and Sara Yockey, yes. All were in favor, motion passed.

Unfinished Business

1. **911 Operating System:** Elaine Price stated she was going to call SEREMS to see if they can fix it. We will move to the next agenda. Mariana Carter stated, seasonal people do not know what to do in case of an emergency, everywhere else in the United States you call 911. Sara Yockey will contact the EMS Squad and have them make signs and hang around town for people so they will know who to call in case of an emergency.

2. **Employee Vehicle Allowance / Purchase city vehicle:** we will carry this over to the next meeting.

New Business

1. **City Purchase Large Garbage Cans:** we will carry this over to the next council meeting.
2. **Internet:** Elaine Price talked to Jon Moots with Alaska Power and Telephone he said they are pretty sure they are going to offer internet. Our system is out of date and we cannot afford to upgrade at this time. We have two problems right now, the over usage, and malware or trojan on our system. Elaine Price has been working with Allteck and Ketchikan Public Utilities, they are willing to come out and help get it fixed. Anyone who is abusing their internet privileges will be shut off. The internet has some cyber terrorism going on that also slows us down. Sara Yockey feels we should charge for the summer people for reinstall, something like a \$50 or \$75 charge. Also maybe have a max amount of customers and not allow any new hook ups. Brian Wilson asked how the internet is monitored at the library. Elaine Price answered; we have centurion guard on one of the computers and are planning on installing the software on all the library computers so you cannot download any outside programs. Brian Wilson stated Port Protection has AT&T and they pay a guy there to service the internet. Elaine Price will look into this as an option for us.
3. **Halibut IFQ's for Charter Industry:** This is an item we worked on a long time ago with Megan Fitzpatrick. Misty Fitzpatrick stated the charter fishermen we were looking at for this year would be on the old system. The new regulations will start next year. Hopefully the City will be able to purchase some halibut IFQs for our charter fishermen. Misty Fitzpatrick will continue to work on this and keep us informed.
4. **Contribute \$1000 to Annexation Lawsuit?** Carolyn Duncan made a motion to contribute \$1000 to the annexation lawsuit, Sara Yockey seconded the motion. Roll call: Elaine Price, yes; Gary Wilburn, yes; Mariana Carter, yes; Bill Fitzpatrick, yes; Carolyn Duncan, yes and Sara Yockey, yes. All were in favor, motion passed.
6. **Purchase Playground Equipment:** Gary Wilburn made a motion to purchase playground equipment for \$1000. Sara Yockey seconded the motion. Carolyn Duncan feels this will be awesome for

our kids and it has been in the budget forever. Roll call: Elaine Price, yes; Gary Wilburn, yes; Mariana Carter, yes; Bill Fitzpatrick, yes; Carolyn Duncan, yes and Sara Yockey, yes. All were in favor, motion passed.

7. **Steve Silver Visit:** He would like to visit Coffman Cove and he will be in Ketchikan for the launching of the Susitna. Would the council be willing to pay his travel expenses? Misty said he could stay with her and she would provide car. Bill Fitzpatrick offered to take him fishing. Elaine Price made a motion to pay part of Steve Silver's travel expenses. Gary Wilburn seconded the motion. Roll call: Elaine Price, yes; Gary Wilburn, yes; Mariana Carter, yes; Bill Fitzpatrick, yes; Carolyn Duncan, yes and Sara Yockey, yes. All were in favor, motion passed.
8. **IFA Issues:** We listened to a portion of the last IFA meeting. In the recording Dennis Watson asked Elaine Price if she was participating in the creation of the Northend Ferry. She answered yes. He declared her under conflict and stated we is competing for the same funds and that the City of Coffman Cove is in conflict and asked her to step down, she refused to step down and we are not competing for service area or money. The city has a right to have service and IFA doesn't provide it. Elaine Price has done research and they had an illegal meeting, she tried to bring it to their attention and they didn't want to hear it.

Elaine Price stated, she has wavered all over and she does not want to hurt the IFA. She just wants them to follow the original plan. Elaine Price would like permission from the council to have our new attorney, Mr. Gatty write a letter to the IFA listing the violations that were made. Also she will be filing an ethics charge on Dennis Watson.

If Coffman cove wants to withdraw from the board there has to be a 2/3 vote from our council. Gary Wilburn stated their procedure was very "shotty", Elaine Price has his support, 100% on the matter.

Carolyn Duncan stated the IFA meetings are a very hostile environment. They are moving in a very top heavy direction. Mariana Carter feels the reason we lost the northern run was because of their poor marketing plan. Sara Yockey stated she doesn't feel Elaine Price should resign she feels we should file an ethics charge on Dennis Watson and he should have to step down. She also believes we

could have a good working relationship with the IFA if Dennis Watson was not on the board.

9. **City Bus:** Elaine Price made a motion to enter into an agreement with SeaRoads on a trial basis for summer of 2011, with a lease agreement and discussion on insurance. Gary Wilburn seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed.

Adjourn: Sara Yockey made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:38 p.m. Bill Fitzpatrick seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Coffman Cove City Council on this 17th day of June, 2010

ATTEST:

City Clerk/back-up City Clerk

Mayor/Vice-Mayor