

MINUTES
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
FOR THE CITY OF KLAWOOCK, ALASKA
Tuesday, July 21, 2020

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting was called to order by 6:05 p.m. by Mayor Donald J. Nickerson, Jr.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The audience, Mayor and Council stood for the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL:

Those present:	Brenda K. Leask	Kimberly Nelson
	Patricia Cottle 7:30 P.M.	

Attendance by phone:	Janelle Friday	Irving Langmaid
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Those absent:	Rudolph Smith, Jr.
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ASCERTAIN QUORUM:

A quorum is present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Brenda K. Leask/Kimberly Nelson move to adopt the agenda. **Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.**

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Brenda K. Leask/Kimberly Nelson move to adopt the regular minutes of July 7, 2020. **Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.**

REPORTS INFORMATIONAL:

Mayor submitted a report.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None.

(City Clerk did not receive any public comments by email or telephonically)

Staff present:

Leslie Isaacs, City Administrator; Sybil Galaktianoff, City Clerk

Public Audience:

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Covid Stimulus Funds,

No action. Informational.

Set date for 14(c)3 work shop,

Mayor and Council set the date for the 14(c)3 work shop to August 15, 2020 council and August 25, 2020 for a joint meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Introduction and First reading of Ordinance 20-06 an ordinance of the council of the City of Klawock, Alaska, appropriating coronavirus relief funds in the amount of \$133,724.88, for first responders wages for FY20,

Brenda K. Leask/Kimberly Nelson move to set the public hearing date for Ordinance 20-06 to August 4, 2020. **Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.**

Introduction and First reading of Ordinance 20-07 an ordinance of the of the council of the City of Klawock, Alaska, appropriating coronavirus relief funds up to the amount of \$307,567.98, for the purchase of two (2) Northstar 147-1 ambulances,

Brenda K. Leask/Kimberly Nelson move to set the public hearing date for Ordinance 20-07 to August 4, 2020. **Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.**

Introduction and First reading of Ordinance 20-08 an ordinance of the of the council of the City of Klawock, Alaska, establishing the Cares Act Utility Costs Subsidization Program,

Brenda K. Leask/Kimberly Nelson move to set the public hearing date for Ordinance 20-08 to August 4, 2020. **Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.**

Introduction and First reading of Ordinance 20-09 an ordinance of the of the council of the City of Klawock, Alaska, appropriating general fund revenue in the amount of \$94,548.64 for the purchase of a Bobcat L28 small articulated loader, E35 25HP

R-Series compact excavator, 83" x 20' Tilt-n-Go triple axel tilt deck, and 30" Flail mower,

Brenda K. Leask/Kimberly Nelson move to set the public hearing date for Ordinance 20-09 to August 4, 2020. **Motion failed by roll call vote.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Irving Langmaid – YES

Kimberly Nelson - NO

Brenda K. Leask - NO

Janelle Friday - NO

Introduction and First reading of Ordinance 20-10 an ordinance of the of the council of the City of Klawock, Alaska, appropriating general fund revenue in the amount of

\$150,402.00 for the purchase of three (3) Dodge Durango Police Vehicles,

Brenda K. Leask/Kimberly Nelson move to set the public hearing date for Ordinance 20-10 to August 4, 2020. **Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.**

Thorne Bay EMS Agreement review,

Brenda K. Leask/Kimberly Nelson move to review Thorne Bay EMS Agreement.

Brenda K. Leask requests to withdraw the motion. There was no objection. Motion withdrawn.

Brenda K. Leask/Kimberly Nelson move to rescind the Emergency medical service agreement with Thorne Bay, AK. **Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.**

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

None.

CORRESPONDANCE INFORMATION:

- Next Council meeting date: August 4, 2020
- Job descriptions
 - Liquor Store Manager
 - Liquor Store Assistant Manager
- Letter from Klawock Liquor Store Manager
- Updated City of Klawock Policies and Procedures Handbook
- SOA DCCED re: Fiscal Year 2021 Community Assistance Program Payments

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Brenda K. Leask:

- Any issues? I was quite shocked actually to see that the salary for the Liquor Store Manager is only thirty-six thousand (\$36,000.00) annually. You add pers on to that?
 - City Administrator that's what it was advertised at, that's not what she's making. She has had a number of increases since then.

Kimberly Nelson:

- So, we are moving forward on the assistant manager thing?
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson, Jr. yes, we are moving forward.

Brenda K. Leask:

- I would think an assistant manager would also require some sort of higher pay because they are an assistant manager, correct? I would assume so because they are taking on more responsibilities and put in a position when she's gone.
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson, Jr. based on an evaluation - 90 days.
- When is that going to start by the way, evaluations? I'm talking everywhere.
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson, Jr. this month.
- Here's my other comment to that. Given the last meeting, I want to know if you know our Liquor Store Manager will have somebody else besides the Administrator or you to evaluate her? You know because of what happened at the last meeting.
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson, Jr. everything is resolved.

Brenda K. Leask:

- Everything is resolved and okay? Okay to move forward? I don't want anyone to feel that.
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson, Jr. nope, like I said earlier we had an awesome meeting.

Council comments continued...

Kimberly Nelson:

So, we have a meeting on the 4th, 15th and 25th of August.

Brenda K. Leask:

- I guess this would be for the Administrator are we okay with the Alaska Municipal League, are we signed up to be a part of?
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson, Jr., Leslie?
 - City Administrator Yes, we did sign up.

Brenda K. Leask:

- Are we good to go with them now? Are we able to access their services now?
 - City Administrator, yeah.
- We are a member, okay, because they do a lot of discussing with the cares acting funding.
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson Leslie has been in contact with them.

Mayor Donald J. Nickerson:

- One of these days when they do have their session, I think it's important that myself and the Administrator should attend it. A lot more beneficial than the Southeast Conference.
 - City Administrator I think they are both beneficial because you get a lot of information at Southeast Conference. A lot of the legislators show up and explain funding and all kinds of programmatic issues. Southeast Conference is the A.R.D.O.R., so they get a lot of federal money and I think they are both important. I think in the past, the Administration let go of the Alaska Municipal League, because at the time we couldn't afford the dues. But I think, the opportunities that come up at both of those conferences are invaluable to long term, long range projects.

Brenda K. Leask:

- So, I'm wondering about stuff like that, is it just usually the administrator and the mayor that attends these things? Can you include the City Clerk or one of the council? I would like to see more council involved with different things that the city is a part of throughout the island. Whatever that might be, I don't even know? I think that our Administrator attends a lot of that. It would be nice to include council in all areas.
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson we can take a look at the agenda and maybe pending on the council expenditures, we can make a recommendation when that comes up.
- It would be nice to see some representation from council, you know, be there.
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson would like to see what their format is and do some research on it.
 - City Administrator Southeast Conference was in Craig, AK a few years back and we had one of our council attend.
 - Brenda K. Leask did they like it?

Council comments continued....

Brenda K. Leask:

- I was wondering if we could reach out to these different organizations that do like incidents, management and emergency management. Red cross meetings, State LEPC meetings that do help with emergency planning and response. I think it's important, disaster action teams. There are a lot of different things and I can get all that information. I'm sure our Administrator knows, but I think we need to hop on board and start listening in and going to those meetings. As a hub community, I think it's our responsibility just as leaders as this community, it's our responsibility to know what resources are out there, who we could utilize. I mean there's some place giving masks to the City of Craig. The school is getting a thousand (1000) masks and the City asked for another thousand (1000) for their community members, so there is a lot of resources out there and I think now is the time we shouldn't be sitting around here trying to think of what we're going to do and how we're going to do it.
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson that was one of the things I suggested. How we secure funding once our overall plan is put into place or when the States going to come down and do. That grant money is there.

Brenda K. Leask:

- I would like to mention covid money relief funds, I think we really need to look at nonprofit that is doing stuff for the community. Salvation Army is all community, you can give money to them to have an application process for community members to come forward and fill out. They can disperse those funds. Help with utilities, their lights or fuel, that's what they do. I think it would be something to consider.
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson food banks is the biggest thing.

Patricia Cottle:

- I apologize for being late, I had a tribal council meeting. When you talked about Salvation army and their food programs, if we were to give them money to get food, if people come from Hydaburg and Craig to get food, we have to give it to them. It's not just Klawock.

Mayor Donald J. Nickerson:

- I like what the tribe is doing with that fruit box and vegetables.

Brenda K. Leask:

- Are we going to offer any type of help to local businesses?
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson we will have those numbers at the next meeting.

Patricia Cottle:

- What did we discuss on job descriptions?
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson it was just informational, it was requested to be in the packet.

Council comments continued...

Patricia Cottle:

- Can we check with the tribe to see if covid monies could be used for that? I was thinking the purchase of an ambulance. There was a resolution on that, I mean if we met with KCA and how they are going to work on paying half of that or is that still in the mix?
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson for the ambulance? We did approve the reading and how that is going to work we have to go through the process with code blue, but with the tribe they will their check payable to where it's being purchased from. Then it will go to your books to audit, pertaining to covid.

Brenda K. Leask:

- Can we legally fine a business in Klawock for not enforcing an ordinance? Can we? It might encourage.
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson we would have to rewrite the ordinance first. When we first approved this mandate ordinance, now you got to remember we removed the fine. It was a one hundred dollars (\$100.00) We can review this whenever thirty (30) days is up and put it back in. I see a lot of people not doing the mask.
- Brenda K. Leask how are we going to enforce the fine collection though? How are we going to do that?
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson we add it back to the ordinance.
- Brenda K. Leask once we add it back, how will we enforce it? That's the problem
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson Officers are going to have to.

Janelle Friday:

- Have you reached out? Is Craig talking about a mask mandate or Hydaburg? Does anybody know? I'm just curious?
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson I'm focusing on Klawock myself. I haven't heard anything. Normally Mayor O'Conner would immediately call me with something like this is going to go into place, so I can make the residents aware.

Brenda K. Leask:

- Mr. Chairman I would like to have that emergency ordinance come back to the table in thirty (30) days whenever that might be, so maybe we can discuss it on the August 4th meeting? By then who knows how many cases we will have on the island that are positive. I think it makes sense to fine the businesses not the person. It seems like if you have the authority to shut a business down for violating the mandate, you would have the authority to fine a business for not following the mandate as well.
 - Mayor Donald J. Nickerson I can shut it down.

ADJOURNMENT:

Brenda K. Leask/Kimberly Nelson move to adjourn. **Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.**

7:52 p.m.

August 4, 2020

Date approved


Donald J. Nickerson, Jr., Mayor

Attest:


Sybil Galaktianoff, City Clerk