

1. CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Dillingham City Council was held on Friday, July 31, 2020, via conference call, in Dillingham, Alaska. Mayor Ruby called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Ruby was present.

Council members present and establishing a quorum (a quorum being four):

Andy Anderson	Gregg Marxmiller	Kaleb Westfall
Chris Napoli	Bill Rodawalt	

Curt Armstrong – excused

Staff in attendance:

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3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Chris Napoli moved and Bill Rodawalt seconded the motion to approve the agenda.

VOTE: The motion to approve the agenda passed unanimously by roll call vote.

4. CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION (Prior Notice or Agenda Items)

Susan Isaacs: Verified the ordinance on the agenda was regarding the protective measures in place. Stated she would prefer the city review the measures on a monthly basis vs. 60 days.

Cameron Poindexter, Pres. & CEO of Choggiung Limited: Informed council of financial losses experienced during the pandemic. Noted the health and safety of all is paramount. Requested consideration for changes to some mandates that would allow patrons to dine in-house. Expressed concern for the impact of lost wages and business sustainability.

Dan Dunaway: Commented he is interested in a summary of numbers regarding the travel permit system. Stated information needs to be easier to find on the website.

Alannah Hurley: Noted she appreciates the work done to keep everyone safe. Commented on the need to adjust requirements as more information is gathered and changes happen. Requested to close loop holes regarding the various quarantine methods currently available.

Jeannie Timmerman: Stated she prefers council revisit local emergency ordinance monthly to consider all new information. Noted permits need to allow people to come home.

Mark Lisac: Commented steps taken to protect citizens might be seen by some as extreme but they have paid off. Noted simplified language could be beneficial. Stated the travel form is not onerous, but a one page document, that is educational, showing local requirements.

Gayla Hoseth: Stated Elders in surrounding communities experience difficulty getting to Dillingham for services. Requested considering extending 'Dillingham Census Area' to 'Bristol Bay Region'. Noted specific rules for activities allowed on quarantine would be helpful. Commented there should not be a need to request reason for coming to Dillingham.

Malcolm Wright: Spoke in favor of the effectiveness the emergency ordinances had during the fishing season. Noted the importance of maintaining measures, then allow time to fine tune. Stated community discipline is important.

5. SPECIAL BUSINESS

- a. Adopt **Ordinance No. 2020-17**; An Emergency Ordinance of the Dillingham City Council Extending the Effective Date of Emergency Ordinance 2020-14

MOTION: Bill Rodawalt moved and Chris Napoli seconded the motion to adopt Emergency Ordinance 2020-17.

- This will keep protective measures in place with no lapse of time.
- A long term COVID-19 plan will be formulated.

MOTION: Chris Napoli called the question. Objection noted.

- Council has reviewed the same information a number of times.
- Continuity and stability are important.

VOTE: The motion to adopt Emergency Ordinance 2020-17 failed: 4 in favor, 1 opposed:
Andy – Y Chris – Y Bill – Y Gregg – Y Kaleb – N

Clerk Note: DMC 2.15.020 Emergency ordinances. The affirmative vote of all members present, or the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the total membership, whichever is less, is required for adoption.

- b. Report on Restructure of Travel Permit

- The current travel permit system has an intensively high administrative burden.
- The goal is to collect data, and distribute local requirements for incoming travelers.
- Proposed travel form system will be similar in format, collect/distribute information without the preapproval process. This removed the administrative portion.
- Proposal for Travel Plan rather than Travel Permit will be in the August 6, 2020 council packet.

6. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Bill Rodawalt:

- Thanked staff for hard work during pandemic.
- Commented there is a need for a plan to keep all safe.
- Noted there are record numbers of cases in Anchorage and plenty of travel between DLG and ANC.
- A lapse will put the community at an unacceptable risk.

Gregg Marxmiller:

- Stated concern about not having any protection in place.
- Looks to the August 6th meeting to adopt new protective measures.

Andy Anderson:

- Expressed disappointment the ordinance failed.
- Noting the increased cases in the interior.
- Stated this is not the time to become lax.

Kaleb Westfall:

- Conveyed disappointment, noting better discussion was needed.
- Priority should not be to hurry up, rather to move forward safely.

Chris Napoli:

- Commented elected officials have responsibility to protect the community; and all have an equal voice.

7. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Alice Ruby:

- Voiced disappointment the ordinance failed. Noting a lapse will create confusion.
- Noted an updated process for a travel form will be on the August 6th agenda.
- Commented an outline for a plan will be happening.
- Thanked the city for being engaged and trying to protect the citizens.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ruby adjourned the meeting at 1:08 p.m.



Mayor Alice Ruby [SEAL]

ATTEST:



Lori Goodell, City Clerk

Approval Date: Sept 3, 2020