

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Dillingham City Council was held on Thursday, June 6, 2019, at the Dillingham City Council Chambers, Dillingham, Alaska. Mayor Ruby called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. The council meeting was preceded by a workshop at 6:00 p.m. on the FY2020 Budget.

2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Ruby was present.

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

Andy Anderson	Chris Maines	Aksel Buholm attended via phone
Chris Napoli	Gregg Marxmiller	Curt Armstrong

Staff in attendance:

Kelsa Brandenburg	Anita Fuller	Cynthia Rogers	Tod Larson, via phone
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3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Regular Council Meeting, May 8, 2019
- b. BOE Hearing, May 16, 2019

MOTION: Chris Maines moved and Chris Napoli seconded the motion to adopt the minutes of May 8, 2019, and May 16, 2019 in block.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

There was no consent agenda.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

5. STAFF REPORTS

a. City Manager and Staff Reports

- In person meetings with candidates for Public Works Director will take place on June 12.
- Hazardous materials on the Bingman property will need special disposal. The site will be assessed, secured, and an inventory taken. An environmental site assessment will be done.
- Downtown streets rehabilitation project is about ready for the RFP phase.
- Water Improvement projects are approaching the RFP phase.
- The Mayor assisted with a fix for DMV internet troubles.

b. Standing Committee Reports

Code Review Committee:

There was no Code Review Committee report.

Finance and Budget Committee:

The FY19 mid-year budget revision, and FY 20 budget were completed in work sessions. Ordinances for both are included in the packet.

School Facility Committee:

- The major maintenance list was reviewed.
- A joint assessment was submitted.
- A joint grant writing position was discussed.
- CIP project process for selection was considered and will be reviewed.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There was no public hearing.

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

The prior notice or agenda items requirement was waived. And a reminder given of the three minute time limit when addressing council.

Citizens were informed that Grandma's House is not owned by the City.

Paige O'Connell:

- Voiced concerns about Grandma's House closing in 90 days.
- Requested the City help facilitate a time their board can hold a public meeting to discuss potential solutions for this vital service.
- Noted Grandma's House serves a vulnerable population.

Eva Leveque:

- Noted Grandma's House has many challenges but stated the elders wish to remain in the community. Asked if the City could help in that endeavor.

Patty Buholm:

- Referred to Grandma's House by-laws which show the 5 committee members, and inquired regarding the activity status of the board. The Mayor confirmed the board is active.
- Stated she was unsure where to take her concerns, so came to council as one council member is on the board.
- Commented people are worried about the impact the closure will have on employees, residents, and relatives of residents. She noted there would be a loss of jobs, residents might have to relocate outside the community, and a loss of history.

Melina Shade:

- Stated the traditional culture is built on honoring and respecting our elders. Worries about a community that does not protect vulnerable residents.

Tommy Tilden:

- Noted the Tribe is involved in the Grandma's House situation. Stated the City stepped in at the inception of the project and the building has value. It is good to have a house for the elders.
- Organizations in the city will need to come together to work toward a resolution for this issue.
- Noted the elders have a wealth of information to share.

Jenny Dull:

- Thanked council for providing a forum where concerns can be voiced.

The Mayor noted she contacted the President of Grandma's House Board and recommended having a public meeting where the Board can describe the issues they are facing. It was confirmed a meeting will be scheduled.

8. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- a. Introduce Ordinance 2019-02; An Ordinance of the Dillingham City Council Amending the Budget by Adopting Budget Amendment No. 1 and Appropriating Funds for the FY2019 City of Dillingham Budget

MOTION: Chris Maines moved and Andy Anderson seconded the motion to Introduce Ordinance 2019-02.

VOTE: The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

- b. Introduce Ordinance No. 2019-03; An Ordinance of the Dillingham City Council Adopting the Budget and Appropriating Funds for the FY2020 City of Dillingham Budget

MOTION: Chris Maines moved and Chris Napoli seconded the motion to Introduce Ordinance 2019-03.

MOTION: Chris Napoli moved to amend by changing total revenues and transfers to \$12,893,626 with total appropriations of \$12,876,326, seconded by Chris Maines.

QUESTION called with no objections.

VOTE: The motion to amend passed by unanimous roll call vote.

VOTE: The motion as amended passed by unanimous roll call vote.

- c. Approve Resolution 2019-15; A Resolution of the Dillingham City Council Establishing the Rate of Levy of Tax, the Date Taxes are Due, and the Delinquent Dates for Calendar year 2020, and Accepting the Certification of the Tax Roll

MOTION: Chris Maines moved and Andy Anderson seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2019-15.

VOTE: The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Interim City Manager

- City Manager Tod Larson is able to be more engaged but still not able to be in Dillingham. A return date is not yet established. Planning Director Cynthia Rogers is currently the Acting City Manager.
- Steve Cropsey can be retained in the capacity of special project manager, including capital projects, to provide adequate support. Steve is familiar with Dillingham having previously worked with the City.
- A 90 day agreement with the option to extend has been discussed, and Mr. Cropsey is available and could be in Dillingham in a week.
- Council can reevaluate the situation in August.

MOTION: Chris Maines moved and Chris Napoli seconded the motion to concur with the Mayors description of the current staffing plan.

VOTE: The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote. (*Aksel Buholm phone connection was lost*)

b. Citizen Committee Appointments

- 1) Senior Advisory Commission – 1 seats open

There were no letters of interest.

c. Progress Report

- 1) Dave Carlson House Property

- 2) Territorial School

There were no progress reports.

10. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Approve Action Memorandum 2019-05, Authorize Task Order Number 1 to CRW for the Lagoon Mitigation Study

MOTION: Andy Anderson moved and Gregg Marxmiller seconded the motion to approve Action Memorandum 2019-05.

VOTE: The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

11. CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION (Open to the Public)

(Aksel Buholm reestablished phone connection)

Kimberly Williams:

- Noted she reviewed the by-laws and articles of incorporation for Grandma's House. Inquired regarding what over site the board members have.

12. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Gregg Marxmiller:

- Thanked staff for their work.
- Commented he is glad Tod Larson is improving.
- Stated he is looking forward to progress at the Bingman property.

Chris Maines:

- Stated he is working on at item that he will be bringing to council at a later date.

Curt Armstrong:

- Noted he appreciates staff's hard work.

Aksel Buholm:

- Inquired if the City can designate an excise tax for a specific purpose.
- Noted he will be in town for the June 20th and August 1st meeting.
- Commended staff for their work.

Andy Anderson:

- Thanked staff for their work, noting the difficulties of the last six months.
- Wished Tod the best.
- Commented he is hopeful for a resolution to the Grandma's House situation.

Chris Napoli:

- Noted Grandma's House is a 501(3)c entity.
- The facility has been open 20 years. During that time federal funding has been reduced. BBHA has provided accounting services and staffing.
- BBHA has stated that employees at Grandma's House will have the option to continue to work.
- Staffing has been a consistent issue. This type of care giving can require a high level of care which then requires a high level of funding.
- Grandma's House is currently approximately \$500,000 in the hole. Lack of filing paperwork makes this amount unrecoverable.
- Donations from outside organizations have a down trend with reduction in their funding sources.
- Conversations with Alaska Housing Finance Corp. have begun to explore what can be done with the facility.
- The State has been notified of the 90 day closure. Staff and residents will receive a notification letter.
- The level of work produced by staff was noted.

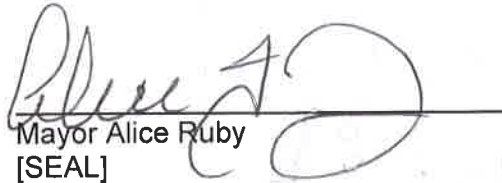
13. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Alice Ruby:


- Noted Grandma's House has been on the verge of closing many times over the years.
- Commended the board for a magnanimous job keeping the facility going.
- The City would like to meet with the other members of the consortium to discuss what each one needs to do, responsibilities, liabilities etc.
- A moment of silence was observed for those lost since the last meeting.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ruby adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.


Mayor Alice Ruby
[SEAL]

ATTEST:


Lori Goodell, City Clerk

Approval Date: June 20, 2019