



FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES, FEBRUARY 28, 2022
FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
800 CUSHMAN STREET, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

The City Council convened at 6:30 p.m. on the above date to conduct a Regular Meeting of the Fairbanks City Council via Zoom webinar and at the City Council Chambers, 800 Cushman Street, Fairbanks, Alaska, with Mayor Jim Matherly presiding and with the following Council Members in attendance:

Council Members Present: Jerry Cleworth, Seat A
 June Rogers, Seat B
 Valerie Therrien, Seat C
 Aaron Gibson, Seat D
 Lonny Marney, Seat E
 Jim Clark, Seat F

Absent: None

Also Present: D. Danyielle Snider, City Clerk
 Paul Ewers, City Attorney
 Michael Sanders, Chief of Staff
 Kristi Merideth, FECC Manager (remotely)
 Teal Soden, Communications Director
 Rick Sweet, Deputy Police Chief
 Clem Clooten, Building Official (remotely)
 Jeff Jacobson, Public Works Director (remotely)
 Scott Raygor, Interim Fire Chief
 Zach Rittel, FFD
 Nick Clark, FFD
 Kyle Adams, FPD
 Kevin Johnson, FFD
 John Wagner, FFD
 Will Vogt, FFD
 Russell Dennis, FFD

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by City Clerk Danyielle Snider.

FLAG SALUTATION

Mayor Matherly asked Mr. Cleworth to lead the Flag Salutation.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS

Mayor Matherly introduced new police officer Kyle Adams and gave a brief history of his experience. Deputy Chief Sweet administered Ofc. Adams' Oath of Office, and his wife pinned him with his badge.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Zach Rittel, FFD – Z. Rittel spoke against Resolution No. 5005, stating that he believed it would be damaging to employee morale. He added that the new retirement system is far less expensive than repeatedly training new employees. He noted that risk is present not only in retirement systems, but also when under trained and inexperienced staff are working in dangerous situations.

Victor Buberger, Fairbanks – V. Buberger stated that it often feels like union negotiations happen during public testimony. He added that he believed most of the City firefighters are making well over \$100,000 a year, with significant increases every year. He stated that he worked without retirement benefits for 45 years and that he did not feel that either the police officers or firefighters would ever be happy with what the City offered them. He asked the Council to consider volunteer firefighters and offer on-the-job training. V. Buberger questioned the intention behind executive sessions and encourage the Council to be more transparent in its decision-making process.

David van den Berg, Fairbanks Downtown Association – D. van den Berg spoke in favor of Ordinance No. 6199, adding that if the timing of available funds is impacting the snow removal process there should be something in place to allow for Public Works to have access to emergency funds before a crisis arrives. He went on to speak to the downtown snow removal standards, adding that the City has failed to perform to the standard for the past two years. He stated he felt that removing the time constraints on funding would be helpful, noting that snow removal is essential to the success of the downtown area.

Ms. Rogers asked if the Downtown Association had considered implementing an improvement district. D. van den Berg stated that it had been attempted in 2013, but it did not pass. He noted that there would be issues obtaining equipment.

Nick Clark, FFD – N. Clark expressed his disappointment with the work session regarding HB 55, adding that he felt there was more of a philosophical belief issue than actual opposition to HB 55. He added that the City was the only municipality speaking out against the bill, and he addressed suggestions regarding seniority-based overtime. He stated he felt strongly that if HB 55 failed, the City would be left with unreliable public safety services, busted employee morale, and low recruitment. He added that the Council's opposition to the bill makes a statement that it does not support public safety employees, and he noted that retention issues could be fixed by the bill.

David Pruhs, Polaris Work Group – D. Pruhs shared that he was pleased to announce the end of a beginning in that on March 11, 2022, the U.S. Congress would be voting on the omnibus appropriation bill. He explained that if it passed, there would be \$10 MM for the demolition of the Polaris Building. D. Pruhs went on to share details about the next steps needed to complete the demolition, adding that an RFP to hire a deconstruction engineer was currently being drafted for

the City's approval. He noted that this had been a long process and added that if the vote goes in their favor, he would be able to retire this phase of the process.

Mr. Clark asked D. Pruhs if he would be working on the second phase; D. Pruhs indicated that he would likely be involved with the Polaris Working Group to ensure its continued success.

Ms. Therrien asked D. Pruhs to provide information on the bid to remove the annex attached to the Polaris Building. D. Pruhs shared that the total cost would be approximately \$400,000 with remediation. He added that he felt that a bid of \$500,000 per floor of the Polaris Building would be within their budget of \$10 MM. He added that the entirety of the contamination is still an unknown factor and cost.

Ms. Rogers asked D. Pruhs to clarify if he would still be leading the Working Group, and D. Pruhs confirmed.

Mr. Marney thanked D. Pruhs and his team.

Kevin Johnson, FFD – K. Johnson shared that he has worked at the Fairbanks Fire Department (FFD) for three years, adding that he comes from a multi-generational firefighting family. He stated he felt that the City's opposition to HB 55 could jeopardize his ability to stay in Alaska, forcing him to find work where he can enjoy better retirement options. He indicated that Resolution No. 5005 is in direct conflict with the City's mission statement and asked that the Council keep that in mind. He noted that the City is growing, and small bandages will not fix the bigger issues.

Alan Johnson, Fairbanks – A. Johnson shared that he is Kevin Johnson's father, adding that he has heard the discussions regarding firefighter retirement programs for over 60 years. He added that the FFD is a good place to work with a great training program, but most recruits leave for better benefits and pay. He noted that Alaska exports timber, oil, and fish, and he expressed hope that firefighters would not be added to that list.

Cameron Gladowski, Fairbanks – C. Gladowski shared that he left the Fairbanks Police Department (FPD) on February 20, 2022, adding that the morale had dropped significantly after hearing of the Council's opposition to HB 55. He noted that FPD and FFD had become training departments for other agencies. He stated that he would like to see more retention, which would result in better trained and experienced officers and firefighters within the City.

Siri Johnson, Fairbanks – S. Johnson spoke against Resolution No. 5005, adding that the Council's decision had an impact on City employees' futures. She went on to share that she had been born and raised in the Fairbanks area and that her family and her fiancé's family also lived in the area. She shared that she had always imagined raising her own family in Alaska. She concluded by saying that if the City could not provide for the public servants in the way they deserve, no one would want to work for the City, and families like hers will be forced to move away.

John Wagner, FFD – J. Wagner shared that he had recently been promoted within the FFD; he stated that he had started with the City in 2012. He shared that he had begun advising new recruits to find jobs elsewhere if they wanted to retire in the profession. He displayed a copy of Dr. Suess' book, "The Lorax," and likened the current situation between the Administration and the FFD to

the untenable atmosphere expressed in the children's book. He added that he works with a lot of wonderful people, many of whom are native to the Fairbanks area. He stated that without a secure retirement option, he felt obligated as a supervisor to encourage new recruits to leave the City and find jobs where they would be valued. He ended by reading an excerpt from "The Lorax."

Mr. Clark asked J. Wagner how many years he had been with the FFD; J. Wagner replied that he had been with the City for 10 years.

Ms. Rogers noted that it was off topic, but she asked J. Wagner if he would be interested in volunteering with a local reading program. J. Wagner replied that he would be interested.

Will Vogt, FFD – W. Vogt shared that he was a lifelong Alaskan and had always wanted to work for the FFD, the largest fire department in the area. He added that his goals have changed to include retirement security since getting married and learning that his wife is expecting their first child. He asked that the Council consider the repercussions of their vote on Resolution No. 5005, adding that he had never considered leaving the state before now.

Hearing no more requests for in person comment, individuals on Zoom were heard next.

Russ Dennis, FFD – R. Dennis shared that he had recently considered leaving the City based on the lack of a decent retirement. He went on to state that HB 55 is non-partisan and fair in the way it affects both employers and employees. He added that calls to Dispatch are steadily increasing and that ambulance services have turned into waiting games; he claimed that the City has ignored the need for additional staff. R. Dennis stated that workers are tired, and he noted some of the many retention issues within the FFD; he indicated that HB 55 was a viable resolution to those problems. He added that Resolution No. 5005 is an embarrassment and is unlikely to affect the Senate's decision. He asked that the Council show their support for Fairbanks and that they value public safety over politics with a "no" vote on Resolution No. 5005.

Hannah Hill, Fairbanks – H. Hill spoke in opposition to Resolution No. 5005, adding that she is the Director of the Bread Line and had a deeply vested interest in public safety. She noted the many contributing issues the City has faced regarding retention. She stated that HB 55 was a state issue to recognize and protect public safety workers, adding that Resolution No. 5005 carried a message that the City's public safety workers were not worth a decent retirement. She stated that it was unwise of the City to treat their employees in that way, adding that they will continue to leave in search of careers that can fulfill their needs and help secure their futures.

Hearing no more requests for comment, **Mayor Matherly** declared Citizens' Comments closed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Therrien, seconded by **Mr. Clark**, moved to APPROVE the Agenda and Consent Agenda.

Ms. Therrien pulled Resolution No. 5006 from the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Matherly called for objection to the APPROVAL of the Agenda, as Amended, and, hearing none, so ORDERED.

City Clerk Snider read the Consent Agenda, as Amended, into the record.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- a) Regular Meeting Minutes of January 31, 2022

PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

- b) Regular Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2022

PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

SPECIAL ORDERS

- a) The Fairbanks City Council heard interested citizens concerned with the following Liquor License Applications for Renewal:

Lic. #	DBA	License Type	Licensee	Address
5169	Hoo Doo Brewing Company	Brewery	Fairbanks Fermentation, LLC	1951 Fox Avenue
435	Garden Island Party Store	Package Store	Market Basket, Inc.	246 Illinois Street, Suite 1
703	Gavora's Fine Wine	Package Store	Market Basket, Inc.	250 Third Street
1134	Thrifty Liquor	Package Store	Market Basket, Inc.	1410 Cushman Street
4831	Irashai Japanese Restaurant	Restaurant/Eating Place	2GIRO, Inc.	419 Merhar Avenue, Suite B
3489	Arctic Fox Bar	Beverage Dispensary	Arctic Fox Bar, LLC	623 Old Steese Highway
3997	BPO Fairbanks Elks Lodge #1551	Club	Fairbanks Lodge #1551 of the BPO of Elks	1003 Pioneer Road
4941	Seoul Gate Restaurant	Restaurant/Eating Place	Seoul Gate, Inc.	958 Cowles Street

Ms. Rogers, seconded by **Mr. Marney**, moved to WAIVE PROTEST on the Liquor License Applications for Renewal.

Mayor Matherly called for testimony and hearing none, declared Public Testimony closed.

Ms. Therrien asked City Attorney Paul Ewers if her membership to the Fairbanks Elks Lodge would be considered a conflict of interest. City Attorney Ewers replied that it would not.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO WAIVE PROTEST ON THE LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR RENEWAL AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Clark, Therrien, Rogers, Cleworth, Gibson, Marney

NAYS: None

Mayor Matherly declared the MOTION CARRIED.

- b) The Fairbanks City Council heard interested citizens concerned with the following Marijuana License Application for Renewal:

Lic. #	DBA	License Type	Licensee	Address
18493	Petrichor, LLC	Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility	Petrichor, LLC	3780 Leasure Street

Ms. Therrien, seconded by **Mr. Clark**, moved to WAIVE PROTEST on the Marijuana License Application for Renewal.

Brandon Emmett – B. Emmett shared that the license was in the process of a transfer and stated that he would answer any questions the Council might have.

Hearing no more requests for comment, **Mayor Matherly** declared Public Testimony closed.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO WAIVE PROTEST ON THE MARIJUANA LICENSE APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Therrien, Rogers, Gibson, Cleworth, Marney, Clark

NAYS: None

Mayor Matherly declared the MOTION CARRIED.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS AND REPORT

Mayor Matherly congratulated Vicky Persinger and remarked on her representation of Fairbanks at the Olympics. He expressed his concerns for the citizens of Ukraine. He noted that there was more snow in the forecast and thanked Building Official Clem Clooten for keeping up on the snow load; he recommended that listeners pay close attention to the amount of snow that has accumulated on their rooftops. **Mayor Matherly** noted that the warmer weather had created some bad ruts in many roads but assured everyone that Public Works was working hard to clean those up. He shared his excitement about the progress with the Polaris Building, adding that he had hoped to be in office when the first sledgehammer was used on it. He recognized the efforts made by FFD to rescue people who managed to get to the roof of the Polaris Building, adding that the state of the structure is unsafe. **Mayor Matherly** spoke to the numerous problem properties the City has been dealing with, noting that the privately-owned Alaska Motel was becoming an extreme nuisance. He thanked everyone for their testimony on behalf of the FFD, noting that he had spent a lot of time looking into HB 55 and the potential issues. He added that he fully supported employees but that he also has a responsibility to spend taxpayer money wisely. He noted that the City's Permanent Fund has been mentioned when money has been tight, and he is glad that those funds are, for the most part, inaccessible.

Mayor Matherly asked to be excused from the Regular City Council Meeting on March 14, 2022. No members objected to the Mayor's request to be excused.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Mr. Gibson stated he had no comments.

Mr. Marney welcomed the Adams family and expressed disappointment that Officer Gladowski had left the City.

Mr. Clark noted the negative language thrown about in public testimony such as fear mongering, damaging morale, jeopardizing public safety, and failing to support employees. He stated that he felt the Council had done a lot of great things for City employees over the past year, likening the situation to an ever-hungry beast that always needed more. He expressed disappointment that supervisors were advising recruits to find jobs elsewhere, adding that it indicated a real problem in leadership. He concluded by stating that Council Members are responsible for considering risk to the City, and the Council's concern with this risk should not be demonized.

Ms. Therrien pointed out that all the Citizens' Comments, except those from V. Buberger, were in support of HB 55.

Ms. Rogers shared her empathy with V. Buberger, who worked without the benefit of retirement for many years. She added that she too had made that decision in her professional life. She noted that the Council had gone above and beyond to hear all sides of the issue, and she acknowledged the concerns and frustrations expressed during public testimony. She thanked everyone for coming and speaking frankly, adding that she welcomed more discussions of this caliber in the future.

Mr. Cleworth thanked everyone who had worked on the Polaris Building Work Group and who came to provide testimony.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Resolution No. 5005 – A Resolution Opposing HB 55 Reestablishing a Defined Benefit Program. Introduced by Council Members Cleworth and Clark. POSTPONED from the Regular Meeting of February 14, 2022

The motion to APPROVE Resolution No. 5055 was made by Mr. Cleworth and seconded by Mr. Clark at the February 14, 2022 Regular Meeting and remained on the floor.

Mr. Cleworth began by stating that he supports the resolution and public safety. He shared his recent experience in observing the Public Safety Employee Association (PSEA) labor negotiations, adding that a lot of great things were added for public safety employees. He gave some history on the development of the PERS program and the problems it continues to cause, adding that that the City was not the only entity suffering the consequences of the PERS system and the debt it created. **Mr. Cleworth** reference a recent article in the News Miner and shared an excerpt from "The Economist" regarding the current economic crisis and the potential for a significant crisis. He shared that the firefighters have been asking for this defined benefit program for over ten-years, adding that many people in the private sector have never had the option of a defined benefit plan, paid holidays, or other benefits provided to public employees. He stated that employee retention is not a problem unique to Fairbanks or Alaska, adding that there was a nationwide employee shortage. **Mr. Cleworth** stated that he would prefer to withdraw from the State's retirement program and invest in a City retirement plan, but the State would never allow that due to the extreme amount of debt that has been incurred. He concluded by pointing out that the Council represents City taxpayers.

Ms. Therrien expressed disagreement with Mr. Cleworth, adding that she would be voting against the resolution. She noted that testimony showed overwhelming support for HB 55. She added that the City is the only community that is speaking out against the bill and that some communities, such as Anchorage, have approved resolutions in support of HB 55. **Ms. Therrien** stated she felt that the resolution would send a very poor message to firefighters and public safety officers. She noted that Mr. Cleworth was only considering the absolute worst-case scenario, with disregard for the positive impacts. She asked Interim Fire Chief Raygor about training costs for new firefighters.

Interim Fire Chief Raygor shared a report regarding costs for recruitment and retention, stating that it cost the City approximately \$30,000 per firefighter and \$80,000 per paramedic. He shared that the staffing issues have required at least one person to be paid a full day of overtime daily, and he shared some of the steps being taken to help alleviate the situation.

Ms. Therrien noted the many triggers present in HB 55 to help eliminate the worst-case scenario from happening, adding that the ARM board would ensure that employees pay their portion regardless of what happens to the current PERS and TRS programs. She stated she did not think there were any realistic options to offer public safety employees other than supporting HB 55. She asked that the Council vote against the resolution.

Mr. Gibson pointed out that the bill had built in an employee contribution cap of 12%, whereas there was no cap on the employer contribution and that after the year 2039, there was no cap to the municipalities' responsibility. He talked about the differences between a 401K and a defined benefit plan. He spoke against the idea that HB 55 would improve retention and employee morale, noting that every new issue brought before the Council has been proposed as the only solution to solve problems at the department. **Mr. Gibson** stated that money to fund this program will have to come from another program or department, and he felt this program left out many other public employees who deserve a fair retirement system also. He sympathized with the concerns about raising a family in Alaska and the expense of doing so.

Mr. Marney shared his agreement with Mr. Gibson's comments. He remarked on the lack of participation from the PSEA in the conversation regarding Resolution No. 5005. He added that the rate of return in the new plan is unattainable and felt that it was set up to fail from the beginning.

Mr. Gibson, seconded by **Mr. Clark**, moved to AMEND Resolution No. 5005 by adding the following language to the final resolved statement, "and all home-rule and first-class municipalities."

At the request of Mr. Cleworth, **Mr. Gibson**, with concurrence of the Second, added that the language, "and the Alaska Municipal League" be added to the amendment.

Ms. Rogers spoke against the amendment and the original resolution.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 5005 BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE TO THE FINAL RESOLVED STATEMENT, "ALL HOME-RULE AND FIRST-CLASS MUNICIPALITIES, AND THE ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE" AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Clark, Cleworth, Marney, Gibson
NAYS: Rogers, Therrien
Mayor Matherly declared the MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Cleworth spoke against Ms. Therrien's belief that HB 55 did not add to the unfunded liability, adding that it was inevitable that it would create a new and greater liability eventually. He added to Mr. Gibson's statement, stating that it was a discriminatory retirement plan. He noted that the training numbers provided by Interim Chief Raygor are known costs and have been addressed in the budget.

Mr. Clark asked the Council to look ahead with hope but to act responsibly with the citizens' money.

Ms. Rogers remembered that the program, in the planning stages, was intended to start with one faction of public employees before expanding to others. She added that this was to ensure the issues were worked out and the program would work as intended.

Ms. Therrien stated she felt that the PSEA may not be as concerned as the firefighters due to their recently negotiated contract. She added that it was not the Council's concern to discuss teachers and other public employees outside of their purview but noted that there was another bill working its way through the legislature that would add all public employees to the program.

Mr. Gibson spoke to W. Vogt's comments regarding his desire to have the retirement option for his family, noting that the situation he hopes for is not allowed in the current defined benefit plan.

Ms. Rogers stated that while she has made decisions that have limited her own retirement possibilities, she is very supportive of this defined benefit plan. She added that she takes public testimony very seriously and felt that it was imperative to support the people who will be affected by voting against the resolution.

Mr. Marney stated that he did not believe there was anyone on the Council or in the City Administration that did not want to see City public service employees succeed, but he did not feel that the program was written in a sustainable or inclusive manner.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 5005, AS AMENDED, AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Gibson, Cleworth, Marney, Clark
NAYS: Therrien, Rogers
Mayor Matherly declared the MOTION CARRIED and Resolution No. 5005, as Amended APPROVED.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) Resolution No. 5006 – A Resolution Supporting the Development of a Trail Connecting Birch Hill Recreation Area to the Creamers Field Trails System to Include a Steese Expressway Trail Underpass. Introduced by Mayor Matherly.

Mr. Gibson, seconded by **Mr. Marney**, moved to APPROVE Resolution No. 5006.

Ms. Therrien declared a conflict of interest in that she has a client who is opposed to the trail system; she requested to abstain from voting.

Mayor Matherly ruled that Ms. Therrien may abstain from voting due to a conflict of interest.

Mayor Matherly shared that FNSB Mayor Ward had approached him about the topic but was unable to attend the meeting; he added that Mayor Ward would be available at the next regular City Council meeting. He pointed out that the trail system would not affect the City directly; however, he would like to offer a letter of support with the notion that City residents would likely use the trails.

Mr. Clark, seconded by **Ms. Rogers**, moved to POSTPONE Resolution No. 5006 until the Regular City Council Meeting of March 14, 2022.

Mayor Matherly called for objection and, hearing none, so ORDERED.

- b) Resolution No. 5007 – A Resolution Awarding a Contract to WatchGuard, Inc. to Provide Car Video System with Integrated Body-Worn Cameras in the Amount of \$261,204. Introduced by Mayor Matherly.

PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

- c) Ordinance No. 6198 – An Ordinance Ratifying a Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the City of Fairbanks and the Public Safety Employees Association. Introduced by Mayor Matherly.

ADVANCED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

- d) Ordinance No. 6199 – An Ordinance Amending the 2022 Operating and Capital Budgets for the First Time. Introduced by Mayor Matherly.

ADVANCED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

- e) Ordinance No. 6200 – An Ordinance Granting a Tax Exemption for Privately Owned Real Property Used as a Charter School. Introduced by Council Member Gibson.

ADVANCED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Committee Reports

Mr. Cleworth shared that he had attended the FNSB Assembly meeting where the Assembly discussed asking the State for broadband authority. He asked if the Council would be provided with a finalized version of the PSEA labor agreement, including changes, prior to the final vote. He noted that Cowles Street and Airport Way were in dire need of snow removal.

Ms. Rogers shared that she had attended the Opioid, Housing and Homeless, and Stars of Gold Readers meetings. She asked if Deputy Chief Sweet could provide an update on sharps collections, as it had been a question presented at the Opioid meeting. Deputy Chief Sweet stated that there is a permanently installed drop box for both prescription drugs and syringes inside the FPD lobby and that it has been advertised on television and the City website. He stated that he would investigate other avenues to let citizens know about their options.

Ms. Therrien shared that she had met with nearly every local legislator with whom she discussed many topics, including HB 55, SART funds, the Polaris Building and the struggling work force. She stated that they also discussed the Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend (PFD), with an estimated distribution of \$1,300. **Ms. Therrien** added that the AML conference had been very productive. She went on to talk about the City Legislative Committee meeting where they discussed two PFD bills, noting that City Lobbyist Yuri Morgan was asking for more support for the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority (AIDEA) bond extension bill. She shared that Senator Meyer had requested that the optional exemption be increased to encourage more people to stay in the Fairbanks area.

Mr. Clark thanked Ms. Therrien for her extensive and informative reports. He thanked everyone for their discussion and apologized for his temper, adding that it is everyone's responsibility to stay vigilant and prepared for tough times. He expressed his hope that more municipalities would oppose HB 55.

Mr. Marney repeated his desire to see the Tier IV program reworked to be more sustainable and inclusive.

Mr. Gibson stated he had no comments or committee reports.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

City Clerk Snider stated that the PSEA collective bargaining agreement (CBA) would not be reprinted for the next meeting and asked that Council members retain their copy.

Mr. Cleworth inquired about the status of the radio broadcast inquiry. City Clerk Snider shared that most Council members appeared to be in favor of the switch and that her office was working to ensure that it would be a reliable and consistent source for the listening audience. She added that no formal steps have been taken at this time.

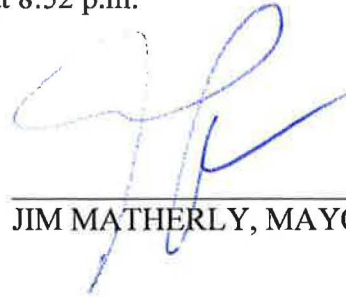
Mayor Matherly stated that he had been appointed to the Governor's board on Human Trafficking, and he had meant to note that in his comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Clark, seconded by **Mr. Gibson**, moved to ADJOURN the meeting.


Mayor Matherly called for objection and, hearing none, so ORDERED.

Mayor Matherly declared the meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.



JIM MATHERLY, MAYOR

ATTEST:



D. DANYELLE SNIDER, MMC, CITY CLERK

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