



FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA NO. 2012-01
REGULAR MEETING January 09, 2012
FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
800 CUSHMAN STREET, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

REGULAR MEETING

I 7:00 P.M.

1. ROLL CALL

2. INVOCATION

3. FLAG SALUTATION

4. CITIZENS COMMENTS, oral communications to Council on any item not up for Public Hearing. Testimony is limited to five (5) minutes. Any person wishing to speak needs to complete the register located in the hallway. Normal standards of decorum and courtesy should be observed by all speakers. Remarks should be directed to the City Council as a body rather than to any particular Council Member or member of the staff. In consideration of others, kindly silence all cell phone, electronic and messaging devices.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

(Approval of Consent Agenda passes all routine items indicated by an asterisk (*). Consent Agenda items are not considered separately unless a Council Member so requests. In the event of such a request, the item is returned to the General Agenda).

6. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

* Regular Meeting Minutes of October 10, 2011.

7. SPECIAL ORDERS

8. MAYOR'S COMMENTS AND REPORT

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Ordinance No. 5871 – An Ordinance Adopting Fairbanks General Code Section 2-657, Regarding Acceptance of Grants. Introduced by Mayor Cleworth. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING.
- b) Ordinance No. 5872 – An Ordinance Ratifying a Labor Agreement Between the City of Fairbanks and the AFL-CIO Crafts Bargaining Unit. Introduced by Mayor Cleworth. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING.

10. NEW BUSINESS

- *a) Resolution No. 4502 – A Resolution Authorizing the City of Fairbanks to Accept Funds from the U. S. Department of Homeland Security for the Upgrade and Modernization of Fire Protection Equipment. Introduced by Mayor Cleworth.
- *b) Resolution No. 4503 – A Resolution Allocating Discretionary Funds from Hotel/Motel Tax in the Amount of Two Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$270,000.00). Introduced by Council Member Stiver.
- *c) Resolution No. 4504 – A Resolution to form a committee to study a limited improvement district downtown to fund the clean team and the CSP. Introduced by Council Member Stiver.
- *d) Resolution No. 4505 – A Resolution Authorizing Mutual Aid Agreements for Emergency EMS and Fire Protection Services. Introduced by Mayor Cleworth.
- *e) Ordinance No. 5873 – An Ordinance to Repeal FGC Sec. 50-286 Regarding PERS Participation by Elected Officials and Personnel Code Employees. Introduced by Mayor Cleworth.
- *f) Ordinance No. 5874 – An Ordinance Ratifying an Amendment to the Current Labor Agreement Between the City of Fairbanks and the Public Safety Employees Association (PSEA). Introduced by Mayor Cleworth.

11. DISCUSSION ITEMS (INFORMATION AND REPORT)

- a) Committee Reports
- b) Public Safety Commission

12. COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

- *a) Memo Concerning Approval of Police Overstaffing.
- *b) Public Safety Commission Meeting Minutes of August 9, 2011.
- *c) Public Safety Commission Meeting Minutes of September 13, 2011.
- *d) Public Safety Commission Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2011.
- *e) Public Safety Commission Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2011.
- *f) Chena Riverfront Commission Meeting Minutes of July 11, 2011.
- *g) Chena Riverfront Commission Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2011.
- *h) Chena Riverfront Commission Meeting Minutes of November 7, 2011.
- *i) Bed Tax Discretionary Fund Committee June 14, 2011 Meeting Minutes.
- *j) Reappointments to the Fact Finding Commission.
- *k) Reappointment to the Finance Committee.
- *l) Reappointment to the Public Safety Commission.
- *m) Appointment and Reappointments to the Building Code Review & Appeals Commission.

13. COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS

14. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

15. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Fairbanks Fire Fighters Association Labor Negotiations

17. ADJOURNMENT



FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES, OCTOBER 10, 2011
FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
800 CUSHMAN STREET, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

The City Council convened at 7:00 p.m. on the above date, to conduct a Regular Meeting of the Fairbanks City Council at the City Council Chambers, 800 Cushman Street, Fairbanks, Alaska, with Mayor Jerry Cleworth presiding and with the following Council Members in attendance:

Council Members Present: Vivian Stiver, Seat A
Chad Roberts, Seat B
Bernard Gatewood, Seat C
Jim Matherly, Seat D
Emily Bratcher, Seat E
John Eberhart, Seat F (telephonic)

Absent: None

Also Present: Patrick B. Cole, Chief of Staff
Warren Cummings, Fire Chief
Paul Ewers, City Attorney
Janey Hovenden, City Clerk
Ryan Rickels, IT Director
Tony C. Shumate, Director Personnel/Purchasing/RM
Ernie Misewicz, City Fire Marshal

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by City Clerk Janey Hovenden.

FLAG SALUTATION

Mayor Cleworth led the Flag Salutation.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

David Lerman, 126 2nd Avenue, Apt. 15, Fairbanks – Mr. Lerman spoke to improving policy by developing task forces to review various issues. He also spoke to the benefits of renovation and how it directly links to reduced crime.

Mark Davis, Interior Towing and Salvage, 3230 Van Horn Road, Fairbanks – Mr. Davis spoke in support of a towing ordinance and suggested that the towing industry be represented in the process. He spoke to reducing DUI's by City seizure of vehicles for first-time offenders; he added that this would send a clear message that the City is serious about driving under the influence.

Ms. Stiver spoke to insurance contracts for commercial businesses. She asked if there was another state agency that requires insurance. She asked about conditions that should be met in order for towing companies to remain on the towing list.

Mr. Davis, in response to Ms. Stiver's question, stated that the Federal DOT requires a \$750,000 policy for a commercial truck. He explained that most towing companies have a \$1 million liability policy on their trucks because the price difference between the two policies is "peanuts." He stated that borough and state contracts require a \$2 million dollar policy. Mr. Davis stated that if a company is in the towing business and wants to be on the City's rotation list, they should be available and responsive 24 hours a day. He restated his support for the towing ordinance.

Frank Turney, 201 7th Avenue, Fairbanks – Mr. Turney thanked those involved with the removal of the trees in Clay Street Cemetery. He voiced his hope that the capital budget would provide for a new lawn mower for the cemetery. He expressed his joy with the results of the Municipal Election. Mr. Turney spoke in support of the towing ordinance. He spoke strongly against drunk driving.

Victor Buberger, PO Box 58192 – Mr. Buberger spoke to the improvement of the pothole situation in Fairbanks. He mentioned a severely damaged sidewalk on South Cushman and other damaged areas towards the Airport Way intersection. He spoke in support of more road improvements on the south side of Fairbanks, instead of all the City's attention being focused on Hamilton Acres and Island Homes. Mr. Buberger spoke against drunk driving, but suggested community service as punishment instead of steep fines that cause hardship to families.

June Rogers, 1908 Esquire, Fairbanks – Ms. Rogers thanked the City Council for their hard work in the community and stated that she is proud to have such an involved City Council.

Mayor Cleworth thanked Ms. Rogers for her willingness to serve on the Complete Streets Committee.

Elizabeth Grizwold, 2058 Donald Avenue, Fairbanks – Ms. Grizwold stated that she is the owner and operator of Gabe's Towing, current contract holder with the City of Fairbanks. She stated that she supports much of the new towing ordinance, but addressed specific sections that she does not support. She spoke in favor of a five-day versus a seven day work week; she asked for clarification on the section regarding private property impoundment; she expressed appreciation for the generous rates listed in the ordinance, but suggested an administrative fee be added; she asked for clarification on the "immediate" access clause, stating that sometimes access to personal property is used as leverage for payment unless the property is medication, a live animal or personal identification. Ms. Grizwold spoke to the difficulties inherent with the towing industry.

Ms. Stiver asked for Ms. Grizwold's phone number so they could discuss the matter further.

Shawn Hess, 840 Faultline Drive, North Pole – Mr. Hess stated that he is the owner of S & S Towing. He spoke in favor of administrative and clean-up fees. Mr. Hess stated that he is the only operator in his company and added that he doesn't have a problem with the 30-minute response time or being on call 24 hours a day because he's already on the State Trooper on-call

list. He agreed with Ms. Grizwold that personal possessions, with a few exceptions, should be held as leverage for payment. Mr. Hess stated that all valuables are removed from the vehicle upon impoundment and items are inventoried for safe-keeping. He added that he charges an additional fee for inventory and covering a vehicle with a tarp.

Mr. Matherly asked Mr. Hess what he thought a fair administration fee would be.

Mr. Hess replied that \$250 sounds fair, but clean-up fees and wait-time fees should be additional.

Mr. Matherly asked how much the additional fees should be.

Mr. Hess stated that every case is different and each may vary in costs.

Ms. Stiver asked who requires a towing company to clean up after an accident?

Mr. Hess replied that it is a state requirement.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Bratcher, seconded by **Ms. Stiver**, moved to APPROVE the Agenda and Consent Agenda.

Mr. Roberts, pulled Resolution No. 4491 from the Consent Agenda.

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

City Clerk Hovenden read the Consent Agenda into the record.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS AND REPORT

Mayor Cleworth spoke to the Rare Earth Minerals Conference held at the Princess Hotel. He stated that the City had begun several abatement projects. He thanked Frank Turney for helping the Nordale family in setting up the memorial service at the Clay Street Cemetery. **Mayor Cleworth**, in response to Mr. Buberger's earlier comment regarding road construction, explained that the road improvements in Island Homes and Hamilton Acres were a product of a grant by State Representative, Jay Ramras. He added that the City makes sure to spread its resources throughout City limits so that no one area is excluded from road project attention. He named recent construction projects that have taken place on the south side of town. **Mayor Cleworth** congratulated John Eberhart and Lloyd Hilling on their success in the 2011 Municipal Election. He reflected on his year as Mayor and commended the City Council for their great work on various City matters during his administration. **Mayor Cleworth** announced that this is Ms. Bratcher's last meeting as a Council Member; he thanked her for her honesty, knowledge and willingness to voice her opinion and wished her the best in future endeavors. He spoke to unenforced City Code regarding towing and stated that, since federal law supersedes City Code, the towing ordinance has been presented to remove unnecessary portions. He stated that FPD would like to keep a formal rotation list. He explained that currently, the City has one established towing contract; only after that towing company has been offered the tow and refuses it, is another company called. He added that there is no formal rotational list at this time, but if a

list is formed, it would be a voluntary rotational list. **Mayor Cleworth** stated that the City's current contract with Gabe's Towing will be up at the end of the year, so now is the ideal time to address the matter. He stated his belief that towing fees should be limited and simple. He encouraged operators to bring their concerns to the City Council.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Ordinance No. 5860 – An Ordinance to Amend Fairbanks General Code Section 50-205 Eliminating the Alaska Day Holiday. Introduced by Mayor Cleworth. **SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING**

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

Mr. Matherly, seconded by **Mr. Roberts**, moved to ADOPT Ordinance No. 5860.

Mayor Cleworth stated that this Ordinance brings the City into line with most of its labor contracts.

Ms. Bratcher asked about the effective date of the Ordinance.

Mayor Cleworth replied that it was intended to be effective immediately.

Mr. Roberts asked which bargaining unit had not yet been changed, if those employees would receive a personal day in exchange for the eliminated holiday, and for clarification on how the ordinance came about.

Mayor Cleworth, in response to Mr. Roberts' questions, stated that it would affect some employees in the Fire Department and that those employees would receive a personal day in exchange. Mayor Cleworth asked Pat Cole to explain the origin of the ordinance.

Mr. Cole explained that most other agencies work on Alaska Day and, that by exchanging it for a floating personal day, the employees get something of equal value in exchange. He added that this will increase the City's service to the public.

Mr. Roberts stated his support for Ordinance No. 5860.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 5860, AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Eberhart, Gatewood, Stiver, Bratcher, Matherly, Roberts

NAYS: None

Mayor Cleworth declared the MOTION CARRIED and
ORDINANCE NO. 5860 ADOPTED.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) RESOLUTION NO. 4490 – A Resolution Accepting the Bid of Tempest Environmental Systems, Inc. for the Mobile Water Purification System in the Amount of \$275,000. Introduced by Mayor Cleworth.

PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

- b) RESOLUTION NO. 4491 – A Resolution Conditionally Accepting Maintenance Responsibility for the Portion of Helmericks Road Extending East to the Old Steese Highway, Together with Improvements to the Herb Miller Boulevard Intersection and the Helmericks Road/Old Steese Highway Intersection. Introduced by Mayor Cleworth.

Ms. Stiver, seconded by **Ms. Bratcher**, moved to APPROVE Resolution No. 4491.

Mayor Cleworth provided a brief history of the complaints of congestion in that area of town and asked Mike Schmetzer to further explain the proposed plan for construction.

Mike Schmetzer gave a detailed explanation of the color-coded maps and how the plan will positively impact traffic and pedestrian flow in that area.

Mayor Cleworth pointed out that the part in red represents a public easement, taxable property. He explained that in exchange for City maintenance, private parties have agreed to pay the City a fee. He pointed out that there would be a much-needed snow dump area.

Ms. Stiver asked for clarifications regarding the turn pocket near the Johansen Expressway. She added that the plan looked good.

Mr. Schmetzer explained that the plan is to extend the turn pocket another 800 feet.

Mr. Gatewood expressed concern for the replacement of a traffic light with a roundabout at Old Steese and Helmericks.

Mr. Schmetzer, in response to Mr. Gatewood's concern, stated that the traffic study initiated by DOT a few years ago showed that the traffic capacity would grow to a higher level of service without the maintenance costs of a traffic light.

Mayor Cleworth stated that he is not a big fan of roundabouts, but in this case there is enough acreage to accommodate larger commercial vehicles.

Mr. Gatewood stated that while he will yield to the opinions of those involved in the survey, he believes that replacing the traffic signal with a "gimmick" is a step backwards.

Mr. Schmetzer explained that the planned roundabout would be similar to the one at UAF.

Bill Rogers (City Engineering Department) gave specific dimensions of the proposed roundabout and compared them in size to smaller roundabouts in the borough. He stated that the roundabout would help with air quality because there would be less idling of vehicles at stop lights.

Ms. Stiver asked for an estimate of the maintenance cost savings if the traffic light were replaced with a roundabout.

Mr. Schmetzer stated that there is an estimate, but that he did not have that number readily available. He told Ms. Stiver he could provide that estimate at a later time.

Mr. Matherly asked if changing the intersection to a roundabout would make snow removal more difficult.

Mr. Schmetzer stated that there would be more lane miles to plow, but it could be done late at night.

Ms. Bratcher asked when and for how long construction would take place. She asked if there were plans for pedestrian facilities

Mr. Schmetzer replied that construction would take place in the summer of 2012 and that there would be new pedestrian facilities in all the improved areas.

Mr. Roberts thanked Mayor Cleworth and Mike Schmetzer for their work on the project over the past three years. He commended them for focusing on the problem and maximizing the City's money. He stated his overall support for the Resolution.

Mr. Schmetzer spoke to the substantial improvements in the downtown and Bentley/Helmericks area by 2015.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 4491, AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Gatewood, Roberts, Eberhart, Matherly, Stiver, Bratcher

NAYS: None

Mayor Cleworth declared the MOTION CARRIED and RESOLUTION NO. 4491 APPROVED.

- c) ORDINANCE NO. 5861 – An Ordinance to Amend Fairbanks General Code Chapter 14, Article X, Towing Vehicles. Introduced by Mayor Cleworth.

ADVANCED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

- d) ORDINANCE NO. 5862 – An Ordinance to Amend Fairbanks General Code Section 74-117(f) Providing that Hotel/Motel Tax Grants May Only be Used for the Purposes Stated on the Application. Introduced by Council Member Stiver.

ADVANCED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

Reappointment and Appointment to the Chena Riverfront Commission.

APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Mr. Gatewood congratulated Mr. Eberhart and Mr. Hilling for their success in the 2011 Municipal Election; he thanked all the candidates who participated. He expressed his joy in working with Ms. Bratcher over the past three years and encouraged her to return to Fairbanks someday and run for Mayor.

Mr. Roberts commented on the low turn-out of City voters. He spoke to Ms. Bratcher's time of service on the City Council, stating that she was intelligent, eloquent, well-educated, and an outstanding Council Member.

Ms. Stiver announced that there is a new mining lab in Fairbanks that will positively affect the mining industry and will be a tremendous benefit to the community. She shared about her recent attendance at a biomass conference in Tok and spoke to the great advances in devices that burn cleaner and save money. Ms. Stiver congratulated Mr. Eberhart and Mr. Hilling on their recent election victories and thanked the Mayor and the public for the passing of Proposition I to pay off City bonds. She expressed thanks to Ms. Bratcher for her hard work on the City Council and commented on her youth and enthusiasm. She added that Ms. Bratcher's involvement in the Fairbanks community is invaluable.

Mr. Eberhart expressed his enjoyment in working alongside Ms. Bratcher on the City Council and wished her the best in future endeavors. He congratulated past Council Member, Lloyd Hilling on his win in the election and commended other candidates for running. Mr. Eberhart thanked the public for reelecting him for Seat F. He spoke of various accomplishments under Mayor Cleworth's administration and thanked the Mayor and City Council for their contributions to the City's progress.

Mr. Matherly shared that he was sorry to see his friend, Ms. Bratcher, leave the City Council. He stated that he has appreciated her guidance and praised her for being an excellent representative. He expressed his eagerness to work with newly-elected Lloyd Hilling. Mr. Matherly commented on the recent BCDC event and commended the organization for their great contributions to the community. He spoke to the history of the Pioneer Home and encourage others to visit. He shared Mr. Roberts' disappointment with the low voter turnout for the City, but was pleased that Proposition I was passed.

Ms. Bratcher expressed her personal comments on what it has meant to her to be a City Council Member. She thanked former Mayor Terry Strle and Mike Schmetzer for their encouragement along the way. She thanked City staff for their hard work and tireless efforts; she thanked fellow Council Members and Mayor Cleworth for their public service. She asked her peers to "continue to challenge the status quo that has defined our past and to always consider the greater good which can define our future."

Mr. Gatewood, seconded by **Mr. Roberts**, moved to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Labor Negotiations for the Fire Fighter's Association and Wage Reopeners for IBEW, AFL-CIO and PSEA.

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

Mayor Cleworth called for a five minute recess.

Mr. Eberhart terminated his telephonic attendance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Labor Negotiations

- a) Fire Fighters Association
- b) Wage Reopeners for IBEW, AFL-CIO and PSEA

The City Council met in Executive Session to discuss FFA's Labor Negotiations and Wage Reopeners for IBEW, AFL-CIO and PSEA. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Roberts, seconded by **Ms. Stiver**, moved to ADJOURN the meeting.

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

Mayor Cleworth declared the Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

JERRY CLEWORTH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JANEY HOVENDEN, CMC, CITY CLERK

Transcribed by: DS

ORDINANCE NO. 5871

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING FAIRBANKS GENERAL CODE SECTION 2-657, REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS, AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council to prohibit City acceptance of “pass through” grants to other entities that expose the City to financial liability,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, as follows:

SECTION 1. That Fairbanks General Code Section 2-657 is hereby adopted:

Sec. 2-657. Acceptance of Certain “Pass Through” Grants Prohibited.

(a) The City will not seek or accept grant funds on behalf of another entity if the City retains any financial liability for the proper use of the funds or use of facilities purchased with the grant funds, including situations where only the City’s eligibility for future grant funding could be impaired.

(b) This section shall not apply to grants for improvements to City owned facilities.

SECTION 2. That the effective date of this Ordinance shall be the _____ day of January 2012.

Jerry Cleworth, City Mayor

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSENT:
ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Janey Hovenden, CMC, City Clerk

Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney

ORDINANCE NO.5872

**AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CURRENT
LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS AND THE
AFL-CIO CRAFTS BARGAINING UNIT**

WHEREAS, the current Collective Bargaining Agreement (“CBA”) between the City and the AFL-CIO Craft Unit contained provisions for annual re-openers of financial terms; and

WHEREAS, tentative agreement has been reached on an amendment to the CBA which incorporates the labor goals of the City Council, is consistent with the terms of other recently adopted labor contracts, and has been approved by the membership of the bargaining unit.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, as follows:**

Section 1. That the attached amendment to the 2011 collective bargaining agreement is hereby ratified.

Section 2. That the effective date of this ordinance shall be the _____ day of January 2012.

Jerry Cleworth, City Mayor

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSENT:
ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Janey Hovenden, CMC, City Clerk

Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney



November 15, 2011

**AFL-CIO Joint Crafts & City of Fairbanks
Tentative Agreement, 2012 Wage Re-opener, revised**

WHEREAS, section 23.4 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement (“CBA”) between the parties provides that the parties will reopen negotiations on economic issues in October of 2011; and

WHEREAS, the parties to this agreement mutually desire to amend the CBA to resolve economic issues for 2012 and 2013.

Now, therefore, subject to ratification, the parties tentatively agree to amend CBA section 23.4 as follows (deleted text in ~~strikeout font~~):

23.4 This agreement is effective until December 31, 2013. ~~PROVIDED THAT the parties agree to reopen negotiations on economic issues only for 2012 and 2013. Such negotiations will commence in October of 2011 for 2012 and 2012 for 2013. The parties agree to utilize mediation and arbitration if the re-opened negotiations result in impasse.~~

- A. The 2011 package rate for each covered classification will be increased by 2.5% on February 16, 2012 (the first day of the fourth payroll period in 2012).
- B. The 2012 package rate for each covered classification will be increased by 2.5% on February 1, 2013 (the first day of the 3rd payroll period in 2013. The parties agree to further negotiation of economics if the Anchorage annual CPI exceeds 2.5%, negotiations to commence within 30 days of the announcement in 2013.
- C. Starting in 2012, the clothing and boot allowances provided in the Collective Bargaining Agreement will be paid in a single lump sum without the need for employees to provide receipts for all regular employees with the first payroll in July.
- D. Each of the AFL-CIO Joint Craft member unions will allocate sufficient funds from the package rate to comply with the requirements of law regarding minimum and maximum health care funding.
- E. The package rate for member union employees whose pension plan is found to be critically underfunded (“red zone”) under the terms of the Pension Protection Act of 2006, as may be amended, will be adjusted. Addendum No. 1 to this agreement applies to Teamster member employees. Addendum No. 1 is hereby incorporated into this agreement and equivalent Addenda will be included should other member unions pension plans be determined to be critically underfunded.

Ratified by the City Council on ____ by passage of Ordinance ____ . Ratified by the Union membership on _____ .

SIGNED FOR THE FAIRBANKS
AFL-CIO CRAFTS COUNCIL:

Lake Williams,
Business Representative, Operators 302
Date: _____

Tim Sharp
Business Manager, Laborers 942
Date: _____

Eileen Newman
Business Representative, Teamster 959
Date: _____

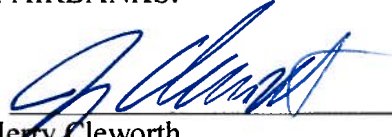
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Rodney Brown
Business Representative, Pipefitters 375
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Jay Quakenbush
Vice President, IBEW 1547
Date: _____

Charlie Young
Business Representative IUPAT Local 1555
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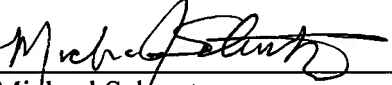
SIGNED FOR THE CITY OF
FAIRBANKS:



Jerry Cleworth
Mayor, City of Fairbanks
Date: 11-15-11



Patrick B. Cole
Chief of Staff
Date: 11-15-11



Michael Schmetzer
City Engineer/Public Works Director
Date: 11-15-11

Addendum No. 1 Regarding Teamster Employees

1. The 2012 Wage Re-Opener between the City of Fairbanks and the Fairbanks AFL-CIO Crafts Council includes a 2.5% increase in the package rate for Teamster employees for 2012 (beginning 2/16/2012) and a 2.5% increase in the package rate for 2013 (beginning 2/1/2013).

2. Under Article 23.2 of the CBA between the City and the Crafts Council, each Local retains the right to allocate the negotiated package rate to wages, pension and health and welfare as it sees fit. Because certain provisions of the Pension Protection Act of 2006 have been triggered by the determination that the Alaska Teamster-Employer Pension is a critically underfunded (“red zone”) plan, the parties recognize that it is mutually beneficial for the CBA to limit the discretion of the Teamster Local under Article 23.2.

3. The Teamsters and the City of Fairbanks have agreed to adopt the Rehabilitation (“Preferred”) Plan with 5-year phase in – Supplemental Employer Contribution Schedule which provides for a supplemental pension contribution beginning with the implementation of the 2012 Wage Re-Opener (2/16/2012) of 12% of the current pension contribution rate of \$6.99/hour (\$.84/hour) and 22% of the current rate (\$1.54/hour) beginning on 2/1/2013.

4. The package rate increases set out in the 2012 Wage Re-Opener include funding for supplemental contributions to the Alaska Teamster-Employer Pension made pursuant to the Rehabilitation Plan referenced in paragraph 3 and are intended to represent the City’s total cost for providing pension contributions, including supplemental contributions, to the Alaska Teamster-Employer Pension during the term of

this agreement. No portion of the package rate increase maybe allocated to any other purpose unless and until contributions and supplemental contributions to the Alaska Teamster-Employer Pension Plan have been satisfied. If the Alaska Teamster-Employer Pension requires any contributions that are in excess of these amounts, or, if the Alaska Teamster-Employer Pension fails to meet the minimum contribution requirements established by law, resulting in the imposition of an excise tax, the package rate referred to in paragraph one shall be immediately reallocated by an equivalent amount to pay for the increased contributions and/or the excise tax.

5. The Public Employment Relations Act (PERA) limits collective bargaining agreements between a public employer and its employees to a maximum of three years [AS 23.40.210(a)]. The parties recognize that, unless the Alaska Teamster-Employer Pension emerges from critical status before the expiration of the current CBA on 12/31/2013, future agreements will require supplemental contributions under the Supplemental Employer Contribution Schedule. The parties agree that all future increases in supplement pension contributions will be built into the package rate and paid to the Alaska Teamster-Employer Pension Trust from package rate funds.

6. If at any point, the Alaska Teamster-Employer Pension Plan emerges from its “red zone” status and the City is no longer required to make supplemental contributions under a rehabilitation plan, the allocation restriction imposed on the Teamster Local shall be lifted.

RESOLUTION NO. 4502

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS TO ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FOR THE UPGRADE AND MODERNIZATION OF FIRE PROTECTION EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to upgrade and modernize its fire protection equipment for the Fairbanks Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to accept a grant in the amount of \$131,156 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security; and

WHEREAS, this program does require a 10% match of \$14,572, and the funds are available in the Fire Department Capital account;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, that Mayor Jerry Cleworth is hereby authorized to accept and execute any and all documents required to receive funding on behalf of the City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor Jerry Cleworth is also authorized to execute subsequent amendments to said grant to provide for adjustments to the project within the scope of services or tasks, based upon the needs of the project.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS ____ DAY OF JANUARY 2012.

JERRY CLEWORTH, MAYOR

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSENT:
APPROVED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Janey Hovenden, CMC, CITY CLERK

Paul J. Ewers, CITY ATTORNEY

Introduced by: Council Member Stiver
Finance Committee: January 3, 2012
Date: January 9, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. 4503

**A RESOLUTION ALLOCATING DISCRETIONARY FUNDS
FROM HOTEL/MOTEL TAX IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO
HUNDRED SEVENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$270,000.00).**

WHEREAS, the total amount of discretionary funds from hotel/motel tax for the FY2012 budget is TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$270,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor appointed a committee to review grant applications from organizations to determine how and to whom these funds should be distributed; and

WHEREAS, although each proposal was laudable and had merit there was only a limited amount of funds available; and

WHEREAS, after due deliberation the committee is bringing forth the following recommendation for City Council consideration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Fairbanks, that:

Section 1. The following named recipients are hereby allocated the total sum of TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$270,000.00), as follows:

Name of Organization	Award
Clay Street Cemetery Commission	\$ 4,083.00
Interior Freight Dog Association	\$ 1,958.00
Fairbanks Youth Litter Patrol	\$ 7,083.00
Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce	\$ 7,617.00
Friends of the Tanana Valley Railroad	\$ 5,383.00
Pioneer Memorial Park, Inc.	\$ 10,500.00
Fairbanks Community Band, Inc.	\$ 2,917.00
Downtown Association of Fairbanks	\$ 5,680.00
World Eskimo-Indian Olympics, Inc.	\$ 9,167.00
Fairbanks Tired Iron, Inc.	\$ 6,733.00

Name of Organization	Award
World I.C.E. Assn (Ice Alaska)	\$ 20,667.00
Yukon Quest International, Ltd.	\$ 28,850.00
Alaska International Senior Games, Inc.	\$ 4,117.00
Fairbanks Curling Club	\$ 2,817.00
Tanana Yukon Historical Society	\$ 4,267.00
Iron Dog, Inc.	\$ 8,662.00
Fairbanks Arts Association	\$ 60,208.00
Fairbanks 2014 Arctic Winter Games Host Society	\$ 8,833.00
Festival Fairbanks, Inc.	\$ 31,267.00
Alaska Icebreakers Girls Hockey	\$ 4,792.00
Alaska Dog Mushers Association, Inc.	\$ 23,625.00
Alaska Bird Observatory	\$ 4,933.00
Fairbanks Community Museum	\$ 4,958.00
Fairbanks Soccer Association	\$ 883.00
TOTAL	\$ 270,000.00

Section 2. Passed and Approved this 9th day of January, 2012.

JERRY CLEWORTH, MAYOR

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSENT:
APPROVED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Janey Hovenden, CMC, City Clerk

Paul Ewers, City Attorney

Introduced by: Council Member Stiver
Finance Committee: January 3, 2012
Date: January 9, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. 4503, AS AMENDED

**A RESOLUTION ALLOCATING DISCRETIONARY FUNDS FROM
HOTEL/MOTEL TAX IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED
SEVENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$270,000.00).**

WHEREAS, the total amount of discretionary funds from hotel/motel tax for the FY2012 budget is TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor appointed a committee to review grant applications from organizations to determine how and to whom these funds should be distributed; and

WHEREAS, although each proposal was laudable and had merit, there was only a limited amount of funds available; and

WHEREAS, after due deliberation the committee brought forth recommendations for City Council consideration; and

WHEREAS, Festival Fairbanks, Inc., has received \$50,000 in the City's 2012 budget to support the Clean Team operation; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown Association received money in the 2012 budget for support of the Community Service Patrol, which required a substantial match as a condition for receipt of the money, but did not seek additional bed tax funding for the CSP; and

WHEREAS, it would not be fair under the circumstances to award Festival Fairbanks, Inc., funding above \$25,000, given the funding in the 2012 budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Fairbanks, that:

Section 1. The following named recipients are hereby allocated the total sum of TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$270,000.00), as follows:

Name of Organization	Award	Award
Clay Street Cemetery Commission	\$ 4,083.00	\$ 4,355.00
Interior Freight Dog Association	\$ 1,958.00	\$ 2,230.00
Fairbanks Youth Litter Patrol	\$ 7,083.00	\$ 7,356.00
Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce	\$ 7,617.00	\$ 7,890.00
Friends of the Tanana Valley Railroad	\$ 5,383.00	\$ 5,655.00
Pioneer Memorial Park, Inc.	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,773.00

Name of Organization	Award	Award
Fairbanks Community Band, Inc.	-\$ 2,917.00	\$ 3,189.00
Downtown Association of Fairbanks	-\$ 5,680.00	\$ 5,952.00
World Eskimo-Indian Olympics, Inc.	-\$ 9,167.00	\$ 9,440.00
Fairbanks Tired Iron, Inc.	-\$ 6,733.00	\$ 7,006.00
World I.C.E. Assn (Ice Alaska)	-\$ 20,667.00	\$ 20,940.00
Yukon Quest International, Ltd.	-\$ 28,850.00	\$ 29,123.00
Alaska International Senior Games, Inc.	-\$ 4,117.00	\$ 4,389.00
Fairbanks Curling Club	-\$ 2,817.00	\$ 3,089.00
Tanana Yukon Historical Society	-\$ 4,267.00	\$ 4,539.00
Iron Dog, Inc.	-\$ 8,662.00	\$ 8,935.00
Fairbanks Arts Association	-\$ 60,208.00	\$ 60,481.00
Fairbanks 2014 Arctic Winter Games Host Society	-\$ 8,833.00	\$ 9,106.00
Festival Fairbanks, Inc.	-\$ 31,267.00	\$ 25,000.00
Alaska Icebreakers Girls Hockey	-\$ 4,792.00	\$ 5,064.00
Alaska Dog Musers Association, Inc.	-\$ 23,625.00	\$ 23,898.00
Alaska Bird Observatory	-\$ 4,933.00	\$ 5,205.00
Fairbanks Community Museum	-\$ 4,958.00	\$ 5,230.00
Fairbanks Soccer Association	-\$ 883.00	\$ 1,155.00
TOTAL	\$ 270,000.00	\$ 270,000.00

Section 2. Passed and Approved this 9th day of January, 2012.

JERRY CLEWORTH, MAYOR

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSENT:
APPROVED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Janey Hovenden, CMC, City Clerk

Paul Ewers, City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 4504

**A RESOLUTION TO FORM AN AD HOC COMMITTEE TO STUDY FORMATION OF
A LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA**

WHEREAS, Festival Fairbanks and the Downtown Association have managed and funded the “Clean Team” and the Community Service Patrol (CSP) but are now facing financial constraints; and

WHEREAS, the downtown core area received great benefits from these services; and

WHEREAS, these services provide for a clean and safe environment which is conducive to a vibrant business district; and

WHEREAS, if the City were to undertake to provide the same quality of service, the cost would be substantially greater; and

WHEREAS, forming a local improvement district is one alternative to provide funds to support the continued function of Clean Team and the CSP,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Fairbanks approves the formation of an ad hoc committee to study the formation of a local improvement district in the downtown area to provide funding for the Clean Team and the CSP. The committee shall consist of members appointed by the Mayor as follows:

- Four members who are owners of property in the downtown area;
- Two members who are owners of a business in the downtown area;
- One member who resides in the downtown area; and
- One council member to serve as the non-voting chair of the committee.

The committee will be directed to report its findings to the City Council no later than August 31, 2012.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2012.

Jerry Cleworth, Mayor

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSENT:
ADOPTION:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Janey Hovenden, City Clerk CMC

Paul Ewers, City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 4505

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS FOR
EMERGENCY EMS AND FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES**

WHEREAS, AS 18.70.150 authorizes a city and other fire protection groups to organize a mutual-aid program for fire protection services by adopting an ordinance or resolution granting such authority; and

WHEREAS, 7 AAC 26.285 provides that state-certified emergency medical services may establish mutual aid agreements authorized in accordance with municipal ordinance or resolution; and

WHEREAS, mutual aid agreements provide for additional resources to residents of the City and the Borough in the form of fire and emergency medical personnel and equipment when required; and

WHEREAS, the Fairbanks City Council has recognized the benefits of mutual aid agreements since it adopted Resolution No. 133 in 1959; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to continue to participate in such mutual aid agreements,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Mayor is authorized to sign an agreement for mutual aid for fire protection developed by the Interior Fire Chiefs Association; and
2. That the Mayor is authorized to sign an agreement for mutual aid for emergency medical services developed by the Fairbanks North Star Borough; and
3. That the Mayor is authorized to sign any revised extensions of such mutual aid agreements so long as the extensions contain only minor changes; and
4. That the Mayor must seek council approval before signing any extension that contains a major change in the terms of the agreement

PASSED AND APPROVED this ____ day of January 2012.

JERRY CLEWORTH, MAYOR

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSENT:
APPROVED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Janey Hovenden, CMC, CITY CLERK

Paul J. Ewers, CITY ATTORNEY

ORDINANCE NO. 5873

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL FGC SEC. 50-286 REGARDING PERS PARTICIPATION BY ELECTED OFFICIALS AND PERSONNEL CODE EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, Fairbanks General Code Section 50-286 was enacted at a time when elected officials and employees covered by the city's personnel code were participating in the state's Public Employee Retirement System; and

WHEREAS, since that time, the City removed personnel code employees and elected officials from its PERS participation agreement; and

WHEREAS, Section 50-286 is out of date and should be removed from the Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, as follows:

SECTION 1. That Fairbanks General Code Section 50-286 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. That the effective date of this Ordinance shall be the ____ day of January 2012.

Jerry Cleworth, City Mayor

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSENT:
ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Janey Hovenden, CMC, City Clerk

Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney

ORDINANCE NO. 5874

**AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CURRENT
LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS AND THE
PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION**

WHEREAS, the current Collective Bargaining Agreement (“CBA”) between the City and the PSEA contained provisions that allowed for renegotiation regarding wages and benefits for 2012; and

WHEREAS, tentative agreement has been reached on an amendment to the CBA which incorporates the labor goals of the City Council, is consistent with the terms of other recently adopted labor contracts, and has been approved by the membership of the bargaining unit.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, as follows:**

Section 1. That the attached amendment to the 2011 collective bargaining agreement is hereby ratified.

Section 2. That the effective date of this ordinance shall be the _____ day of January 2012.

Jerry Cleworth, City Mayor

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSENT:
ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Janey Hovenden, CMC, City Clerk

Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney

The Amendments to
the City/PSEA Collective
Bargaining Unit will be
forthcoming

Sec. 2-471. - Public safety commission.

A public safety commission is hereby established to advise the city mayor and council on matters relating to public safety in the community.

(Ord. No. 5553, § 1, 1-1-2004)

Sec. 2-472. - Duties and powers.

The public safety commission shall:

- (1) Advise the council and mayor regarding police, fire suppression and prevention, emergency medical services; and operation of emergency services dispatch services.
- (2) Review and provide recommendations on public safety policy, including proposed grants.
- (3) Review the annual reports of the police and fire departments and provide recommendations to the council as to future goals.
- (4) Provide advice on optimal organization, equipment and procedures of the police and fire departments, including the police department manual of directives and the fire department standard operating procedures.
- (5) Conduct regular public meetings, including public hearings required as a condition of receipt of grants.
- (6) If authorized by the city council, convene into executive session in accordance with state law.
- (7) Provide input after research on particular issues as requested by the mayor and/or city council.

The jurisdiction of the public safety commission does not extend to issues or subjects that have been referred to the city fact finding commission, disciplinary matters, evaluation of employees for promotion, or as otherwise limited by law or the terms of labor contracts.

(Ord. No. 5553, § 1, 1-1-2004)

Sec. 2-473. - Composition.

The membership of the public safety commission shall be seven members as follows:

- (1) Five voting members, residents of the city, appointed by the city mayor and confirmed by the city council:
 - a. One member of the city council.
 - b. One member with current or past experience in law enforcement or criminal law.
 - c. One member with experience in fire suppression, prevention, or emergency medical services.
 - d. One member with experience in management, logistics, or operations.
 - e. One at-large public member.
- (2) Non-voting members:
 - a. One current fire department employee, chosen by the employees.
 - b. One current police department employee, chosen by the employees.
- (3) The city attorney, or designee, shall be made available upon request to provide information to the public safety commission, not to act as legal counsel.
- (4) Officers. The chairperson of the public safety commission shall be selected from among the voting members.

(Ord. No. 5553, § 1, 1-1-2004)

Sec. 2-474. - Terms of office.

- (a) The term of commission member shall be for a period of three years. One of the first voting members shall be appointed for a term of one year, two for two years and two for three years.
- (b) In the event of vacancies, the mayor, subject to confirmation by the city council, may make an appointment, at any time, to fill out the unexpired term of the absent member. Members may be removed by the city council at any time.

(Ord. No. 5553, § 1, 1-1-2004)

Secs. 2-475—2-480. - Reserved.

City Of Fairbanks



MEMORANDUM

To: City Council Members
From: Jerry Cleworth, City Mayor
Subj: Police Staffing
Date: January 9, 2012

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "JC", is written over the "From:" line.

We are now at full staffing in the Police Department, which is quite a swing from last year when we were down five officers. A recently departed officer is interested in returning to City employment. I am asking Council concurrence to re-employ this officer in non-permanent status. The officer is fully trained and highly qualified, ready to work without any training or certification.

The Police Department plans to offset the expense with cost reductions until attrition opens up a permanent position. We are fortunate to have this opportunity, which will save us the expense of recruitment, training and certification.

In the event that attrition does not open a vacancy or the Department cannot offset the expense, I will bring the issue back to you.

Thank you.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

August 9, 2011
11:30 AM
COF Council Chambers – Hosted by FECC

PSC Members:	Peter Stern (Seat C - 2013)	Buzzy Chiu (Seat D - 2011)
	Frank Eagle (Seat E - 2012)	Vacant (FPD Representative)
	John Eberhart (Seat A - 2011)	Greg Taylor (FFD Representative)
	Bill Satterberg (Seat B - 2012)	

Meeting Minutes

CALLED TO ORDER: 11:40 am

ATTENDANCE:

PSC Members: Peter Stern, Frank Eagle, John Eberhart, Buzzy Chiu, and Greg Taylor.

PSC Members Absent: Bill Satterberg.

Others in attendance: Jerry Cleworth, Laren Zager, Ernie Misewicz, Dave Burglin, Yumi McCulloch, and Lisa Howard.

ADOPT AGENDA: Role of Public Safety Commission (Old Business) moved to after Reports.
Amended agenda adopted unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

One citizen in attendance – no public comment offered.

OLD BUSINESS:

Minutes: Minutes of the July 12, 2011 meeting were approved as published.

NEW BUSINESS:

FPD Report

Chief Zager offered up a statistical report format for commission members to comment on. This format would provide the ability to make comparisons from month to month, and separates out Type One (most severe offenses) from Type Two. Also listed are citations and officer complaints.

FPD is implementing D-DACTS, a crime analysis system that allows them to do proactive policing based on statistical data. Dan Welborn and Brad Johnson are working on this project. General discussion regarding citations, officer call load and difficulties in proving effectiveness. Cannot simply use incident numbers, as more officers or stepped up efforts result in higher numbers, not that there are more offenses occurring, simply that more are known with the increase in police action.

Labor contract negotiations have been concluded. On significant change is the ability to offer a “menu” of working schedules. This allows the City to cover the workload demand while giving the employees options. Those that want to work the overtime can, and those who want to stay home are not forced in to work.

School Resource Officer program has been refined, but is set to go with the start of school. Gang issues are fairly static.

FFD Report

Asst Chief Misewicz reported that many of the recent fires have been in vacant buildings and caused by vagrants. Fire inspections in area restraints have been increased due to increased trends in those type of fires.

Grant forecast is clouded due to national funding debate. FFD would like to apply to the AFG program to replace firefighter protective gear that is reaching the end of its life expectancy (10 years) and also request funding for a new ambulance. In addition seeking funding for regional training. These programs would require matching funds that are currently set aside in the FFD capital budget. He offered draft resolutions authorizing application for these grant requests to the committee for consideration.

Current grants – the large diameter hose purchased under the last AFG grant has had some issues with gasketing, but working with the supplier and manufacture those issues seem to be resolved. A back-up generator for Station 3 as well as rehabbing the Regional Fire Training Center is currently in progress with other grant funds.

Discussion regarding types of smoke detectors. Smoke from the hydrocarbon based materials found in modern homes are better detected by photo sensors rather than the old ionization sensors. Dual sensors are the future of detections but currently are difficult to find.

The FFD Open House was held after the Golden Days Parade and an estimated 1400 people attended. A variety of fire education materials were distributed and a sign up list was generated for city residents requesting to have smoke detectors installed in their homes.

MOTION in support of the three resolutions to apply for AFG grants for fire equipment, an ambulance, and regional training made by Buzzy Chiu and seconded by Frank Eagle. After discussion, motion passed unanimously.

FECC Report

Director Johnson was excused.

OLD BUSINESS - Role of the Public Safety Commission

Discussion tabled until all members could be present.

CLOSING COMMENTS:

After general discussion, the following items to be added to the agenda for the next meeting

- 1) Review of Arrest Procedures/ Officer Discretion
- 2) FPD Take Home Vehicle Policy (and when does the OT clock start with THV's)

NEXT MEETING: September 13, 2011 – Hosted by FFD [Greg Taylor and Frank Eagle will be absent]

MEETING ADJOURNED at 12:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Howard, FFD

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

August 9, 2011
11:30 AM
City Hall (hosted by FECC)

AGENDA

PSC Members: Peter Stern (Seat C - 2013) Buzzy Chiu (Seat D - 2011)
Frank Eagle (Seat E - 2012) Josh Lambert (FPD Designee)
John Eberhart (Seat A - 2011) Greg Taylor (FFD Appointee)
Bill Satterberg (Seat B - 2012)

Agenda

ADOPT AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

OLD BUSINESS

Approve Minutes of July 12, 2011
Role of the Public Safety Commission Stern

NEW BUSINESS:

FPD Report Chief Laren Zager
FFD Report Chief Warren Cummings
FECC Report Director Stephanie Johnson

Additional Agenda Items:

Next Meeting September 13, 2011 (Fairbanks Police Department)
Closing Comments

Submitted by: Lisa Howard

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

**September 13, 2011
11:30 AM
Fairbanks Police Department**

PSC Members:	Peter Stern (Seat C - 2013)	Buzzy Chiu (Seat D - 2011)
	Frank Eagle (Seat E - 2012)	Vacant (FPD Representative)
	John Eberhart (Seat A - 2011)	Greg Taylor (FFD Representative)
	Bill Satterberg (Seat B - 2012)	

Meeting Minutes

CALLED TO ORDER: 11:36 am

ATTENDANCE:

PSC Members: Peter Stern and Buzzy Chiu.

PSC Members Absent: Frank Eagle (excused), John Eberhart (excused), Greg Taylor, FPD representative, and Bill Satterberg (arrived at 12:18)

Others in attendance: Laren Zager, Warren Cummings, Dave Burglin, Stephanie Johnson, Bonnie Nolan, Yumi McCulloch, and Lisa Howard. Mayor Cleworth (arrived at 12:06)

ADOPT AGENDA: There was no quorum. Meeting continued for information sharing only.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MINUTES: Approval of the Minutes of the August 9, 2011 meeting tabled to next meeting.

REPORTS:

FECC Report

Director Johnson reported the FECC currently has openings, and is changing to a behavior based screening test rather than an aptitude test. She also reported that discussions have started with UAF CTC to develop a "Dispatch Academy" which should serve to provide a basic level of skills and knowledge for potential new hires. She reports that she is not anticipating any significant changes in the 2012 budget, with the exception of some fixed costs being moved over to the IT budget.

The 911 surcharge on area phone lines has increased from \$0.75 to \$1.00 per month, with the increase earmarked for upgrade of the areawide 911 system. Currently prepaid cell phones and VoIP lines are not covered by the Alaska Statute so they do not pay this surcharge. She is part of a committee working on changing that.

The contracted business plan will be the subject of an internal meeting later this week, and will be submitted to the City Council as it requires them to make some decisions about the direction they want the dispatch center to go.

FFD Report

Chief Cummings invited all members of the PSC to attend the statewide 2011 Alaska Fire Conference being hosted by Fairbanks at the Westmark from September 19th-24th. He also reported that the Fire Department, in conjunction with the property owner, had prepared to do a controlled burn on 2nd Avenue, providing some excellent training. After public notification and considerable other work, at

the last minute DEC denied the permit to conduct the burn. The matter is being pursued through the City's legal department. Concern was expressed that future controlled burns may also be prohibited, including those done by Forestry as part of the wildland fire control management. Uncertainty about the future of federal grants continues. Firefighter Jennifer Payer will complete her initial recruit training and be assigned to the suppression schedule later this week.

There was a discussion regarding the current practice of charging for Fire Department response to Motor Vehicle accidents. The program was put into place as a recommendation from the Citizen Review Committee as a method to recover some of the cost for these responses. The program charges owners of vehicles involved in MVA's a \$200 response fee, with city residents having their charges waived. After over two years of program operation, the program is being revisited for cost effectiveness, revenue generation and citizen impact. Mayor Cleworth indicated that he supported the recommendation of Chief Cummings that this fee be eliminated and that ambulance fees be increased by a small amount to offset the revenue loss. This proposal will be going before the City Council for consideration.

The monthly statistics for the Fire Department were reviewed, and a short recount of a recent multi-victim incident involving a Borough bus and a single vehicle.

FPD Report

Chief Zager offered up a statistical report in the new format and requested any comments. PSC members requested a breakout of domestic violence incidents, DWI's, and number of citations.

He then gave a brief presentation on Police Department Home Cars as a program, citing various national studies and answered questions about FPD practices. Routinely vehicles are only driven to and from home, and transportation of family members is not allowed without permission.

OLD BUSINESS - Role of the Public Safety Commission

Discussion postponed until all members could be present.

CLOSING COMMENTS:

Mr. Satterberg inquired what FPD defined as a "complaint." Chief Zager indicated there is a complaint form for a citizen to complete.

NEXT MEETING: October 11, 2011 – Hosted by FFD

MEETING ADJOURNED at 1:03 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Howard, FFD

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

September 13, 2011
11:30 AM
Fairbanks Police Department

AGENDA

PSC Members: Peter Stern (Seat C - 2013) Buzzy Chiu (Seat D - 2011)
Frank Eagle (Seat E - 2012) Robert Hall (FPD Appointee)
John Eberhart (Seat A - 2011) Greg Taylor (FFD Appointee)
Bill Satterberg (Seat B - 2012)

Agenda

ADOPT AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

OLD BUSINESS

Approve Minutes of August 9, 2011

Role of the Public Safety Commission Stern

FPD Policies Zager

*Take Home Car Policy

*OT Clock

*Officer Discretion in Arrests

NEW BUSINESS:

FPD Report Chief Laren Zager

FFD Report Chief Warren Cummings

FECC Report Director Stephanie Johnson

Additional Agenda Items:

Next Meeting

Closing Comments October 11, 2011 (Fairbanks Fire Department)

Submitted by: Lisa Howard

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

October 11, 2011
11:30 AM
Fairbanks Fire Department

PSC Members:	Peter Stern (Seat C - 2013)	Buzzy Chiu (Seat D - 2011)
	Frank Eagle (Seat E - 2012)	Vacant (FPD Representative)
	John Eberhart (Seat A - 2011)	Greg Taylor (FFD Representative)
	Bill Satterberg (Seat B - 2012)	

Meeting Minutes

CALLED TO ORDER: 11:35 am

ATTENDANCE:

PSC Members: Peter Stern and Bill Satterberg

PSC Members Absent: Buzzy Chiu (excused), Frank Eagle (excused), John Eberhart (excused), Greg Taylor, and FPD representative seat (vacant).

Others in attendance: Mayor Cleworth, Dave Burglin, Brad Johnson, Stephanie Johnson, Bonnie Nolan, Warren Cummings, Ernie Misewicz, Debra Davis and Lisa Howard.

ADOPT AGENDA: There was no quorum. Meeting continued for information sharing only.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Frank Turney had a question about the polygraphing of police officers for investigation into possible criminal or administrative actions. He pointed out officers must submit to polygraph and voice analysis during the hiring process but once hired, their union contract prohibits them from being required to submit to either one during an investigation. He asserted while they are not admissible in court, these tests are tools that are used all across the country to determine issues of police conduct and wanted to know why FPD did not require that of their employees. Brad Johnson (Asst Chief FPD) responded that no one – police officer or civilian – can be compelled to submit to a polygraph.

MINUTES: Approval of the Minutes of the August 9, 2011 and September 13, 2011 meeting were postponed to next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS - Role of the Public Safety Commission

Discussion postponed until a quorum is obtained.

REPORTS:

FPD Report

Assistant Chief Johnson reported that officer recruitment testing was done in September and yielded a significant number of candidates. The top 8 candidates are undergoing background investigation, with four of them currently serving as officers in out of state departments and four enrolled in the local police academy.

He distributed the statistical report and requested comments about how the committee wanted the citations section summarized. Mayor Cleworth asked about fines related to citations. He requested that officer discretion in issuing citations vs making arrests be placed back on the agenda for next meeting to be addressed by Chief Zager. Questions regarding frequency of domestic violence incidents in the area led to a general discussion about how crimes are reported. Method of reporting is determined at the State level, with Alaska using the UCR (Uniform Crime Reporting) codes rather than the expanded NIBRS data set.

FFD Report

Chief Cummings reported that the Fire Department applied for three grants last month, one for turnout gear, one for an ambulance, and a third for a LPG fire prop for the regional training center. He was informed at the HLS training conference last week that the City will receive ~\$781K in 2011 SHSP grant funds for the following projects:

- Back up Generator for City Hall (\$275K)
- Network Storage – IT (\$185K)
- Tactical Vests and a Surveillance Robot – FPD (\$15K & \$12K)
- Public Safety 24/7 Refueling System – PW (\$70K)
- Seismic Study of City Buildings (\$50K)
- Borough Wide Radio Programming (\$109K)
- Alaska Shield Exercise Participation (\$64K)

He also reported that local businesses are still complaining about inspection fees. A new BC rig is out to bid, and Station 3 continues its remodel project with the installation of new siding. Fire Prevention Month is ongoing with lots of school and public education activities. FFD has an opening with the resignation of one of the firefighters to accept a job for an ambulance service in his home state. The 2011 Fire Conference was well attended with over 300 Alaskan firefighters and 50 vendors.

Frank Turney asked if anything was being done about the old Carnation dairy building on 2nd Avenue, as it is a danger to the mental and physical handicap people who live next door. Mayor Cleworth said it was on the radar and that some action had already been taken to stabilize the structure and limit the risk.

Assistant Chief Misewicz reviewed area fires in the last couple of months and said there is an increase of smoking related fires. In response to a question, he said the cause of the NAPA fire is still not known.

Chief Cummings reported that the FFD budget was going to the Mayor this week and would be available to the commission at the next meeting.

FECC Report

Director Johnson reported the FECC currently has openings, and is in the hiring process, with two of the current applicants being out of state. FECC has been given direction to renegotiate with its current customers and will be meeting with the borough later today. After service contracts are renegotiated, the business plan will be submitted to the City Council for additional guidance as to the direction they want the dispatch center to go.

CLOSING COMMENTS:

Frank Turney asked who he should talk to about having the contract changed to require police officers to submit to polygraph testing. He was directed to take his comments to Chief Zager.

Bill Satterberg requested to be excused for the next meeting as he will be out of state.

NEXT MEETING: November 8 – Hosted by FECC at City Hall

MEETING ADJOURNED at 12:25 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Howard, FFD

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

**October 11, 2011
11:30 AM
Fairbanks Fire Department**

AGENDA

PSC Members:	Peter Stern (Seat C - 2013)	Buzzy Chiu (Seat D - 2011)
	Frank Eagle (Seat E - 2012)	VACANT (FPD Appointee)
	John Eberhart (Seat A - 2011)	Greg Taylor (FFD Appointee)
	Bill Satterberg (Seat B - 2012)	

Agenda

ADOPT AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

OLD BUSINESS

Approve Minutes of August 9, 2011 &
September 13, 2011

Role of the Public Safety Commission Stern

NEW BUSINESS:

FPD Report	Chief Laren Zager
FFD Report	Chief Warren Cummings
FECC Report	Director Stephanie Johnson

Additional Agenda Items:

Next Meeting
Closing Comments November 8, 2011 (Council Chambers – hosted FECC)

Submitted by: Lisa Howard

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

November 8, 2011

11:30 AM

City Hall Council Chambers (hosted by FECC)

PSC Members:	Peter Stern (Seat C - 2013)	Buzzy Chiu (Seat D - 2011)
	Frank Eagle (Seat E - 2012)	Nate Werner (FPD Representative)
	John Eberhart (Seat A - 2011)	Greg Taylor (FFD Representative)
	Bill Satterberg (Seat B - 2012)	

Meeting Minutes

CALLED TO ORDER: 11:37 am

ATTENDANCE:

PSC Members: Peter Stern, Frank Eagle, John Eberhart, Buzzy Chiu, and Nate Werner

PSC Members Absent: Bill Satterberg (excused), and Greg Taylor

Others in attendance: Mayor Cleworth, Dave Burglin, Laren Zager, Stephanie Johnson, Bonnie Nolan, Warren Cummings, Ernie Misewicz, and Lisa Howard.

ADOPT AGENDA: Agenda approved

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MINUTES: The minutes of the August 9, 2011, September 13, 2011 and October 11, 2011 meetings were approved, with notation that Eagle & Eberhart were excused for the September meeting and Eagle was also excused for the October meeting.

OLD BUSINESS –

Officer Discretion – Arrest vs Citation Alaska Statute (AS12.25.180) defines certain types of violations/infractions that presume arrest, but allow citations and others that presume citation rather than arrest. It should be clear that in both the case of citation or arrest, the person has to appear in court and answer for the crime, one is immediate (relatively) and one is delayed. Chief Zager indicated that an arrest is to take someone into custody for the purpose of having a person answer for a crime. When there is an option to arrest or cite, the officer has to evaluate the situation. Officer Werner indicated that sometimes arrests are made as a tool to remove one or more parties from a volatile situation or to prevent an injury to the individual or someone else.

In response to a question, Chief Zager indicated that there is no internal policy that dictates whether to arrest or cite in situations that can be handled either way. Discretion is an important option, but it must be recognized that it will always bring controversy. The Chief indicated that he and his shift commanders watch for patterns, and have taken disciplinary action (termination in one case and a work plan in another) when an officer fails to exercise good discretion.

In response to a question of whether cost or revenue generation impact the decisions made by the officers, he indicated that it is not a primary driving force. The police department is aware and sensitive to the big picture, but it is not a daily issue. When asked about selective enforcement or targeted enforcement regarding urinating in public, he denied that there is any formal or informal policy to target any group of individuals. An officer witnessing a crime may for a variety of reasons choose not to contact the individual or may simply warn them. Another officer may always issue a citation. Officer Werner stated that sometimes officers consider the likelihood that the a particular charge will not be prosecuted.

Discussion was held regarding the prosecution of crimes. Discussion led to conclusion that maybe some crimes should be changed to infractions, which generate fines but do not require prosecution. After further discussion, Chief Zager was directed to bring recommendations for possible code changes to the next meeting.

Role of the Public Safety Commission Discussion of variety of items for consideration, ranging from expansion of commission roles to sunsetting it. Action to be taken at next meeting to finalize a recommendation for City Council regarding the continuation/role of the commission.

REPORTS:

FFD Report

Chief Cummings distributed the monthly statistic report and pointed out that ambulance transports are up about 100 so far this year, which will result in an increase in revenue as well. There was a fire in a tri-plex on Minnie street, caused by a clip on light in a closet falling down into some clothes. There were smoke detectors in the unit. The 2010 Annual report is finally out. The delay caused by turnover in admin staff and conversion of reporting systems part way through the year, which required information from two systems to be integrated. There has been a conditional offer of employment made to an individual to fill the vacant firefighter position – so he is currently undergoing the required testing and evaluations.

The City has been awarded (pending council approval) \$781K HLS grant. Interior Fire Chiefs is developing a borough-wide accountability system to be adopted by FFD and other area departments. MVA billing has changed, now the owner of the vehicle cited in the accident will be billed \$400. In the event there is no citation/arrest, all vehicles involved will be billed. The large diameter hose gasket problem has been resolved.

Question regarding turnout & response times – the 2010 annual report shows FFD is only meeting the national standard 40% of the time? Chief Cummings thinks that number is probably off, he has concerns about how the new cad system is documenting times and Asst Chief Misewicz and Director Johnson are working on these issues. A difference of 30 seconds can skew the percentages drastically. There will also be some delays during the nighttime hours.

FPD Report

Chief Zager distributed the monthly statistical report. For various reasons, loss of grant funding, etc FPD has now reached the point that the number of officers is too low. We have now moved beyond “cutting the fat” and have dieted to the point of losing muscle.

FECC Report

Director Johnson reported the FECC currently still has one opening, hoping to have a new hire by Thanksgiving. The draft of the Call Taking Contract for area departments is currently at the borough.

CLOSING COMMENTS:

None

NEXT MEETING: December 13, 2011 – Fairbanks Police Department

MEETING ADJOURNED at 1:07 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Howard, FFD

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

November 8, 2011
11:30 AM
City Hall Council Chambers (hosted by FECC)

AGENDA

PSC Members: Peter Stern (Seat C - 2013) Buzzy Chiu (Seat D - 2011)
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Agenda

ADOPT AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

OLD BUSINESS

Approve Minutes - August 9, September 13
and October 11, 2011

Officer Discretion – Arrest vs Citation Chief Laren Zager
Role of the Public Safety Commission Stern

NEW BUSINESS:

FPD Report Chief Laren Zager
FFD Report Chief Warren Cummings
FECC Report Director Stephanie Johnson

Additional Agenda Items:

Next Meeting December 13, 2011 (FPD)
Closing Comments

Submitted by: Lisa Howard

FNSB / City of Fairbanks
CHENA RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
MINUTES

July 11, 2011
Salcha Conference Room, FNSB Admin Center
11:30 a.m.

A regular meeting of the FNSB / City of Fairbanks CHENA RIVERFRONT COMMISSION was held in the Salcha Conference Rm, 809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 11:52 a.m. by Michelle Roberts, Chair.

1. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Annette Freiburger
 Kelley Hegarty Lammers
 Bob Henszey
 Cameron Leonard
 Anna Plager, Vice Chair
 Michelle Roberts, Chair
 Lee Wood
 Buki Wright

ABSENT: Karen Lavery
 Timothy Mullins
 Matt Wilken

ALSO PRESENT: Jackson Fox, City of Fbks
 Barry Hooper, DOT
 Mark Mussman, FNSB Community Planning
 Kellen Spillman, FMATS
 Rachel Boyd, Recording Clerk

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA The agenda was approved without objection after a motion by Hegarty, seconded by Wright.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (May 2, 2011) The minutes were approved without objection after a motion by Henszey, seconded by Wood.

4. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COMMISSION - none

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS - none

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Graehl Park access (policy committee report)

Spillman reported on the bike and pedestrian access to the Wendell Ave bridge and from the Steese Hwy end of Graehl Park. The Graehl Access project is basically to

get better access from the Steese down into Graehl Park. The scope of the project is very generic at this point; it is just to create facilities within the DOT ROW right now. FMATS is in between Transportation Improvement Programs. The next one will go out for public comment on July 22, which will be the CRFC's opportunity to voice their opinions of the projects. The Graehl Park Project is funded for design beginning in 2013 and 2014, then going to construction in 2015. The Wendell Ave Bridge project is scheduled to begin design in 2012, begin ROW acquisition in 2013, and begin utility work in 2014. The determination hasn't yet been made whether to replace or to simply rehab the bridge. As of now it isn't funded for construction. **The original estimate came in much higher than FMATS could fund, so additional funding sources are being researched.**

The public comment period will run for 30 days from July 22. The best way to comment is on their website. The TIPs will be listed on the website, with a place for public comments, which will all be read to the Policy Committee.

Henszey wished to thank Gardino for her speedy response to his concern on the bike trail. South of the Johansen by Noyes Slough is a spot where a tree limb was gradually coming down. One morning when he wasn't paying attention, his head smacked right into it. He e-mailed Gardino, and by evening it was gone.

- B. Propose another field trip by boat this summer, perhaps for the August meeting if the military is "on board" again

Several were interested. **Plager** will make the arrangements.

- C. Bill Evans availability for the Aug 1 or Sept 12 meeting for 30 minute talk about ADA design requirements

Roberts will work with Plager on getting this arranged.

- D. Borough Reports - none

- E. Committee Reports

- 1) Public Safety – Leonard

Leonard recapped the concerns about boating and river safety, the committee's proposed solution of attaching or suspending signs from the bridges, and the dead end they ran into at DOT.

The Commission suggested Leonard contact Janet Brown or Steve Titus, the Northern Region Director. Leonard will call Brown.

Roberts suggested when the rivers are high that a public service announcement might be helpful to remind people that high, fast water can't be treated like a lake. There is an unusual amount of large debris in the river when it is high. She suggested a "Think Before You Sink" slogan or something to get people's attention. She was appalled at the number of inflatable crafts on the river containing small children during the past few days of high, fast water. Maybe Borough Parks & Rec could be involved.

Roberts is also concerned that the Troopers will ticket and fine people on the river for not wearing life jackets – then let them continue to float!

Hegarty wondered if meeting with the Troopers about some of these water safety issues would be a good idea. They became active on the water just this year.

Leonard reminded the Commission that the Coast Guard is the only entity that has enforcement authority over speed on the river. For the Troopers to have authority, the State would have to pass a bill creating a special enforcement district.

Roberts has not encountered problems in the past with DOT and placing signs on the Cushman Street Bridge. The signs were to prevent loitering and were placed on the north and south sides of the bridge both at street level and on the lower part of the bridge as well.

2) Design committee proposal re plans for gateway arch

Hegarty said the committee would like the Commission's permission to move forward. They would like to involve the professional design community in a roundtable discussion about ways to enhance the apex with a permanent design feature. The Committee is thinking of the Fairbanks Arts Assn, Alaska Design Forum, a representative from the local engineers' society, and Borough Parks & Rec. They would also contact DOT.

There was no objection from the CRFC for the Design Committee to proceed.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Update on committee noticing process

Roberts distributed an outline obtained from the Borough Legal Dept about working under the Open Meetings Act.

Leonard observed that, as a practical matter, the Borough Attorney's interpretation of the restrictions of the Open Meetings Act in regard to public notice for sub-committee meetings will mean that not much work will get done. It is often not worth jumping through the hoops. He wondered if there is any way to re-structure the committees that would ease this.

Hegarty offered that the easiest way she found to work with this is to advise the secretary at the CRFC meeting of the schedule for any up-coming committee meeting.

Hegarty wondered if the Mayor would want such a restrictive interpretation if he knew how much of the volunteers' energy it wastes or even discourages.

Wood confirmed that private citizens have a real concern when considering membership on a commission or board. They wonder how much their rights to voice personal opinions in other forums will be inhibited by such membership.

Roberts pointed out that benefits to private citizens being on public commissions include better dissemination of information among neighbors and diversity of perspectives on the commission. Adherence to public notification requirements facilitates more of this private participation. She will check on the City's interpretation of committee meeting notification.

B. Mayor' s protocol - Roberts

Roberts distributed copies of memos from both mayors regarding their position on the question of the CRFC communicating directly with bodies of interest so long as the content of the communication lies within the scope of the CRFC Plan.

8. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Henszey is glad to be continuing on the CRFC, and he will continue providing any information he can about impacts on watershed management, etc. *Eodia* has been found in the Flood Control Project; no one knows where it came from. At break-up he also saw lots of fragments floating by the Persinger Rd crossing and going through the last culvert into the Chena River. It has also been found by the Riverboat Discovery' s dock. He thinks some has also been found in the Noyes Slough.

In response to Robert' s question, **Henszey** said he is a Fish and Wildlife Biologist. He also has a broad background in everything from range management to watershed management to wildlife management and hydrology.

The Commission expressed their gratitude at having Henszey as a member.

Plager was attending her first meeting in person since November. She was glad to be back and was pleased the vacancies had both been filled.

Roberts thanked Wright for all the improvements Aurora Energy has been making around the plant on First Ave and where the coal is delivered, noting the new gate and the lack of coal dust being brought onto First Avenue from truck tires. Commissioners agreed the new paint looks very good.

Wood has lived between 1st and 2nd Ave for almost 20 years, and she has been horrified at some of the proposals that have been brought forward for the riverfront during that time. She doesn' t think commercial projects are appropriate next to the river, and she has been a strong voice in trying to keep the riverfront available for the public to use. The past couple of years there seems to have been a different attitude toward the use of the river, and she felt encouraged to become part of the CRFC. She hopes she can have a little voice in keeping commercial development off the river.

Hegarty would like for the Commission to send a letter to FMATS, requesting that the projects on or near the Chena River require the involvement of a landscape architect. There are close to 15 proposed projects on the TIP that would fall under this. Generally a landscape architect is not brought in soon enough, and they are often the first thing to be cut from the budget.

A roll call vote was taken on the motion by Hegarty, seconded by Freiburger, that the TIPs in the draft that are on or near the Chena River be required to include a professional landscape architect in the scope of work. Approval was unanimous.

9. STAFF and LIAISON COMMENTS - none

10. AGENDA SETTING FOR August 1, 2011 COMMISSION MEETING

- Resolution on Graehl Park Access project

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:23 p.m.

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FNSB / City of Fairbanks
CHENA RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
MINUTES

September 12, 2011
Salcha Conference Room, FNSB Admin Center
11:30 a.m.

A regular meeting of the FNSB / City of Fairbanks CHENA RIVERFRONT COMMISSION was held in the Salcha Conference Rm, 809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 11:34 a.m. by Michelle Roberts, Chair.

1. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Bob Henszey
 Karen Lavery
 Anna Plager, Vice Chair
 Michelle Roberts, Chair
 Lee Wood

ABSENT: Annette Freiburger
 Kelley Hegarty Lammers
 Cameron Leonard
 Timothy Mullins
 Matt Wilken
 Buki Wright

ALSO PRESENT Meadow Bailey, DOT
 Jackson Fox, City of Fbks
 Donna Gardino, FMATS
 Luke Kline, FNSB P & R
 Mark Mussman, FNSB Community Planning
 Bobette McKirgan, Recording Clerk

 John Jackovich, owner of the Big I
 David Van den berg, Downtown Association of Fairbanks
 Mitch Osborne, US Fish & Wildlife
 Bill Evans, Alaska State Parks
 Rachel Boyd, member of the public

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Unapproved due to lack of quorum.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (July 11, 2011)

Unapproved due to lack of quorum.

4. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COMMISSION

Plager reported the third meeting of the design committee was held. The green triangle and open space between Barnett and Cushman were discussed; she said this space has a lot of potential to provide some sort of focus downtown. **Plager** felt it premature to discuss in depth, as this was all just starting. Design committee meetings will continue to be held every three to four months. **Plager** noted the groundswell of interest in development on the north side of the river. She handed out copies of the Gateway Plan.

Wood brought up the clearing on the river west of the power plant and it was agreed this is Golden Valley right of way.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Jackovich, owner of The Big I, noted that the south side of the river and downtown has a "lot of action" and expressed his desire to see more energy directed to the north side of the river. He suggested the 'triangle' is a good place to start; would like to incorporate the Chena River ice skating park and do more in front of either the new or old civil warehouses. Jackovich would like to become more involved and is willing to help out where he can, expressing appreciation for the invitation extended by David Van den berg to attend this meeting.

Jackovich stated that he is glad to see FMATS involved. He is hoping that the commission is looking at both sides of the river for access and some type of public recreation; or an area where people can enjoy more of the Chena riverfront whether downtown, upriver or downriver. He noted a lot of work has been done at Growden Park and queried CRFC involvement in that project.

Discussion of the riverfront project and fish hatchery was made, including possible locations for the hatchery and a municipal greenhouse; along with other opportunities being explored using thermal release from the power plant. **Roberts** referenced a study done that indicated incompatibility with the needs of the fish hatchery and that cost effectiveness was a factor in final placement.

Jackovich discussed the cost of steam usage versus hot water and cited previous discussions with **Wright**. He sees value in the utilization of the residue and remembered discussion years previously about a dome around Fairbanks. **Jackovich** stated he is in attendance as an observer and would participate at any level the commission would like.

Roberts discussed her support of the greenhouses and that costs associated with establishment and maintenance of an infrastructure, including staffing, are major factors. She said questions and fears always arise as to who will own and pay to maintain projects in Fairbanks.

Jackovich stated he is impressed with how well UAF and the community work together, citing the agricultural farm; and that perhaps UAF could assume some responsibility and oversee projects in some fashion,

David Van den berg, of the Downtown Association of Fairbanks, stated he was in attendance because of his interest in Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) access to

the river and would like updates regarding the triangle project and any other plans regarding the river.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and riverfront accessibility.

Bill Evans, who works for Alaska State Parks, said he was attending this meeting on his own time to discuss the ADA and the importance of providing recreational accessibility to the physically challenged. **Evans** explained differences between federal recreational guidelines and ADA standards that must be applied.

Roberts said she is trying to determine which areas along the Chena River are ADA compliant.

Plager responded there are no facilities that are ADA compliant to the trails standards and you don't build a boat ramp to meet ADA standards because it isn't feasible as you can't launch a boat with that low of a grade. **Plager** suggested the purpose of the commission should be to look at how we make more universal access for the Chena River. This may not always allow design for access to the water for people in wheelchairs, but we have a suitable facility to let them enjoy the facility. She noted that neither Graehl Landing nor Pioneer Park access points are designed for this purpose and, in between, there is nothing.

Roberts questioned whether the overlooks are handicap accessible and **Plager** and **Evans** agreed they were. Discussion of safer access, soil types and the use of landscape timbers to shore up sloughing riverbanks was made.

Roberts said that when the state did the riverbank at street level, there is an area that leads down to the river, historically used for people to go fishing or watch the river, because it can be an access area when the water is low. The landscape timbers created nice steps and, at the time, were needed because of the gravel makeup. On inspection, the state was told to remove the second timber and the bank is all sloughing with the exception of the first landscape timber. **Roberts** advised that several private citizens would like to shore that up by installing another landscape timber to provide safer access to that particular area. The problem has been the state pulled out because of the handicap rulings, the borough has been hesitant to do anything, as has the CRFC, so it's more of a private action item that keeps coming up at the CRFC level.

Plager said she and **Evans** saw a couple of areas like **Roberts** discussed. She also discussed the Pioneer Park gateway back entrance that is nicely landscaped with a gravel pad, picnic table and is inviting to visitors; similar to Janelle Park.

Evans said you need to start with a master development plan to determine different usages and set priorities dependent on community needs. Showing that you are providing full accessibility and how you will phase it in is part of the program. Showing areas fully accessible by the standards, areas that meet guidelines, and access for those who want to be challenged, provides a variety of opportunities for visitors.

Roberts asked **Evans** whether we need to survey, categorize and set up categories, and once we set a program up, everything in a specific category needs to be treated the same way,

Evans said they should be. He explained that ADA standards are the most limiting, recreational guidelines provide more variety, and there are basically no standards wherein the banks are just shored up. Once you have categories established and look at existing sites, you can get the community involved to determine importance. One of the concerns is boater access to downtown. **Evans** also discussed the evolution of methods for disposal of waste products and storm water run-off and cited former practices. He said fish habitat needs to be determined, as well, noting strict guidelines established in the Kenai area.

Osborne asked whether grate walks could be utilized in downtown Fairbanks for access and **Evans** responded they could. **Roberts** suggested that because of harsher Interior weather and thicker ice, there could be a concern about damage to a grate system because of the amount and size of ice flows. **Osborne** said a smaller, removable version of the Kenai grate walks is being installed on the lower Chena for a private land owner.

Plager wanted to mention an idea that **Evans** pointed out to her when they walked across the footbridge and were discussing the siltation problem with what used to be river access. She said **Evans** realized the slope of the riverbank immediately downstream from the footbridge is steep enough to put in a drop-in grate, if the accessible walkway is moved toward the bridge and out of range of the shallow, silted area. **Plager** suggested this could resolve the access problem on the south side of the river. She advises that the hydrology of the river and fish habitat should be considered in order to meld the human need for using the river with the actual, physical resource need of the river so that we don't impose something on the river and we end up fighting against the river. She cited the handicap access at Golden Heart Park as an example where this was thought to be a great place to get to the river, but it turned out to be silted in. She questioned how we get boat access and people out of their boats.

Lavery said there are existing plans that were drawn up about seven years ago for a dock on the opposite side of the river adjoining the park in front of the Catholic Church. She said everything mentioned went into the study and this would be a good starting point.

Roberts said there are twenty or more studies at the Borough that have been done and it occurs to her that we should use resources already on hand to glean information and possibly save a few dollars in the long run. She likes taking the bird's-eye view to find priorities. **Roberts** expressed appreciation for **Evans'** presentation and said that she gleaned a lot from it and some misconceptions about ADA requirements were cleared up. She said that everyone has come more to the centerline to work together to preserve the habitat and river that we have now to make sure we all have a river in the future.

Evans added that the first thing to do is review available studies and evaluate how current they are and, on any project, first learn the history. He also said that an abundance of information about ADA standards and guidelines is available on the web.

B. Habitat Restoration

Mitch Osborne, a restoration biologist with US Fish & Wildlife, presented the slideshow *Habitat Restoration – Partners for Fish & Wildlife Program*. He said a lot of their projects are in the Fairbanks North Star Borough and within the last two years, they have been focusing heavily on the Chena and Salcha rivers. According to **Osborne**, the Chena River

is the 2nd largest producer of Chinook salmon on the Yukon River on the US side. One focus is on outreach and education programs on the value of the river. He said many landowners are aware of salmon in the river, but do not know what type and how many and the importance of the Chena River to the Yukon River. The Partners Program has a connect with federal trust resources that includes migratory birds and anadromous fish and has been expanded to include grayling. *(Note: anadromous fishes are those that spend all or part of their adult life in salt water and return to freshwater streams and rivers to spawn)*

Osborne said there is a 50% program-wide, projects match, sweat equity, dollar for dollar, and private landowners are directed to him in many ways, including the Army Corp of Engineers, DEC and Fish & Game. He cited the installation of interpretive signs for Chinook salmon at Pike' s Landing as an example. Project eligibility is determined by the likelihood of success and whether it will be of benefit to the trust resource.

Osborne stated that woody debris is valuable habitat for juvenile Chinook. He said there is an ongoing project working with citizen-scientists to trap fish and determine the presence of Chinook in the lower Chena.

Osborne said a stream-work restoration workshop was started three years ago as a two-day work course to introduce preservation techniques to landowners. This year, private landowners attended a second course offering. There are four techniques to rehabilitate the riparian zone for fish and wildlife, and the landowner. Slides of riverbank preservation at the Pump House were shown. Also, slides showing log cribbing and spruce trees cabled to the side of the slope to provide woody debris and protective cover for fish were presented. These projects will be monitored over a number of years to determine which projects hold and for how long they hold. **Osborne** said that using a contractor, and depending on the number of linear feet required, costs range from \$250 to \$600. **Osborne** invited members to visit the Nordale Bridge project where the root wad stabilization technique is being employed.

Plager noted that she and **Henszey** worked on a Tanana River project using the root wad technique where there is very heavy water pressure and that seems to be doing great.

Osborne explained attempts were being made to partner with the Alaska Railroad and he is willing to keep trying. He said borough property can easily be cost-shared.

Roberts said that approaching these projects with the stated goal of saving landowners' property and informing of the matching funds, would be more successful than approaching this from the point of saving salmon.

Henszey mentioned there are effective and less costly methods that can be employed before riverbanks deteriorate to the point shown in the slideshow - for example planting willows.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Discussion of the August 1st river tour.

8. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Roberts reported that **Wright** is home recuperating from an accident on the Yukon Highway and, although his prognosis is good, he is not expected to attend meetings for some time. A get well card was provided for signature by **Plager**.

Roberts advised commissioners that **Mullins** was unexpectedly deployed to Afghanistan for a year and she expects another representative will be assigned to replace him. **Plager** would like to provide a thank you card for Mullins' service and it was agreed to do so.

Roberts reminded the board that October elections are coming up.

Roberts thanked Rachel Boyd for her service and said the Riverfront Commission was going to miss her very much.

9. STAFF and LIAISON COMMENTS

Henszey reported the Noyes Slough clean-up was well attended and a lot less trash was evident.

Jackson said most of the items retrieved were floatable litter; large items like refrigerators or metal drums are not retrieved. Shopping carts and tires are usually removed by the volunteers. **Henszey** said the trappers' association used a winch in the past to remove drums at the Illinois bridge section of the slough.

Henszey reported a bicycle collision on the bike trail under the Peger Road bridge and he hopes there will be allowance for visibility on the bike path in the Triangle plans. **Plager** mentioned that the FMATS technical committee meeting was held recently. **Gardino** said a memo was drafted and recommendations will be solicited with regard to problem areas. **Plager** would like to see the commission provide input with regard to the Wendell Street bike path and connectivity issues.

Plager mentioned she heard about the rating of projects for supplemental funding and the north side access and would like for the commission to be kept in the loop. **Gardino** replied that a sub-committee rated projects to determine how to spend a \$5 million state appropriation and ten projects, including north side access, were forwarded for technical review. The policy committee will review technical recommendations for approval of funding.

Plager requested more information at the next meeting. **Roberts** said it is their intention to keep the Riverfront Commission informed. She said there are already enough players in this project with the city, borough, FMATS and Festival Fairbanks, that it's not really appropriate for the Riverfront Commission, other than through support of resolutions, to be an active player in this particular project until it has moved past the FMATS scoring. The project itself is not something the Riverfront Commission is specifically involved with. **Roberts** said the committee will come to the Riverfront Commission when assistance is needed, the same as done previously with the south side. She thanked **Plager** for her interest.

10. AGENDA SETTING FOR October 3, 2011 COMMISSION MEETING

- A. Update on fish hatchery
- B. Existing Bettisworth river studies
- C. Plans for the temporary dog park
- D. “ Triangle Project” design update
- E. Borough Reports
- F. Committee Reports

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:24 p.m.

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Fairbanks North Star Borough / City of Fairbanks
CHENA RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
MINUTES
November 7, 2011

DUE TO AUDIO TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES, MINUTES WERE TYPED FROM NOTES

A regular meeting of the Fairbanks North Star Borough/City of Fairbanks CHENA RIVERFRONT COMMISSION was held in the Ester Conference Rm, 809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 11:35 a.m. by Anna Plager, Vice Chair.

1. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Anna Plager, Vice Chair
Cameron Leonard
Matt Wilken
Lee Wood
Buki Wright
Annette Freiburger (arrived at 11:37a)
Kelley Hegarty Lammers (arrived at 11:50a)
Bob Henszey (arrived at 12:20p)

ABSENT: Karen Lavery
Timothy Mullins
Michelle Roberts, Chair

ALSO PRESENT Jackson Fox, City of Fbks
Steve Taylor, FNSB P & R
Lara Medinger, TVWA
Jo Schlotfeldt, DOT
Denise Wade, Recording Clerk

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – The agenda was approved without objection after a motion by Freiburger, seconded by Wright.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (July 11, 2011) – The minutes were approved without objection after a motion from Leonard, seconded by Wood.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (September 12, 2011) – The minutes were approved without objection after a motion from Leonard, seconded by Wood.

4. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COMMISSION – Plager reported that Roberts is being treated for an illness, but expects to continue on the commission.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Update on Fish Hatchery – No update.

*Action: **Plager** will see about getting a presentation for December's meeting.*

B. Existing Bettisworth River Studies – No update.

*Action: **Plager** will inquire with **Lavery** or **Roberts** about this presentation.*

C. Plans for the Temporary Dog Park – **Wood** reported she spoke with someone in Parks & Recreation and was informed there were currently no plans for the temporary park. Through discussions, the Commission was in agreement that they wanted to keep the property for public use and be notified if there would be changes to the temporary dog park.

*Action: **Wood** volunteered to draft a letter of intent to both the City and Borough Mayors and provide a draft for the commissioners' review at the 12/05 meeting.*

D. "Triangle Project" design update – **Hegarty Lammers** reported that the Design Committee is discussing options for public art in the green space between the two downtown bridges. The CRFC will use the DOT project as the starting baseline and seek future funding. **Hegarty Lammers** suggested the possibility of having a competition for architects to draft a design, as a way to keep costs down.

*Action: The Design Committee plans to hold their next meeting the hour prior to the next CRFC meeting (December 5th, 10:30 AM). This should be advertised along with the regularly held meeting. **Hegarty Lammers** will send the mayors a brief email about this project idea, along with an offer for a separate briefing on the issue.*

E. Local Elodea Projects – **Lara Medinger** with TVWA explained the photos in the packet and informed the Commission on the four-person survey from the summer, accompanied by color photos. Elodea was found in waters around the Interior, primarily in the Chena Slough and, to a lesser extent, the Chena River. She reported on the cleanup efforts they had been doing and cited the impact to grayling spawning and the change in water flow. **Medinger** encouraged the Commission to support TVWA in their effort to clean-up Elodea in the waterways. **Freiburger** mentioned that she would like to see students involved in the project,

*Action: **Medinger** will contact **Darcy Etcheverry**, the SWDC lead on this project, to see when the survey results would be compiled and when a follow-up presentation to the CRFC could be scheduled to keep commissioners informed of the problem.*

F. Borough Reports – **Steve Taylor** with FNSB Parks & Recreation (P & R) reported that Mike Bork was selected as the new department director. **Taylor** informed members that the bike path along the river behind Pioneer Park was on the maintenance list to be re-paved. **Taylor** said P & R was rallying for an accessible playground for children with disabilities and they hoped to find a community group to adopt this project that P&R would support and maintain. There was discussion about the great progress being made on the Tanana Lakes project.

G. Committee Reports – None

H. Change in CRFC meeting location – **Plager** explained that the Mayor's Salcha Conference Room was no longer available to the Commission at the same time of day on scheduled meeting dates. The Commission agreed to continue its meetings in the Ester Conference Room at the normal time and dates scheduled.

7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. August 1st River Tour – The Commissioners who went on the river tour raved about what they learned and suggested this become an annual event. They mentioned it would be helpful to be able to hear each other over the boat motor and perhaps a microphone-headphone set-up could be arranged next year.

9. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS – CHAIR**

Freiburger nominated **Anna Plager** for Chair, seconded by **Leonard**. Since **Plager** was chairing the current meeting, **Hegarty Lammers** conducted the vote for Chair.

Hegarty Lammers suggested they get all the nominations in for both positions before the commissioners voted.

Plager nominated **Michele Roberts** for Chair, seconded by **Leonard**.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS – VICE-CHAIR

Leonard nominated **Kelley Hegarty Lammers** for Vice-Chair.

Hegarty Lammers declined the nomination, stating this was out of fairness to the Commission, as there would be many times she would be unavailable.

Hegarty Lammers nominated **Michelle Roberts** as Vice-Chair, seconded by **Wright**.

The commissioners submitted their vote sheets to the Clerk to be counted.

CHAIR – 8 in favor of Anna Plager.

VICE-CHAIR – 8 in favor of Michelle Roberts.

10. **COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS** – **Leonard** informed commissioners that he would be stepping down from his position on the CRFC. The Commission thanked him for his service and wished him well in his endeavors. The seat vacated by **Leonard** will be filled by **Gordon Schlosser**, landscape architect.

Hegarty Lammers mentioned she would like the commission to consider "seats of interest", to ensure a broad range of interests are represented as vacancies are filled.

Henszey said he would like to see the Commission produce something; perhaps an informative riparian brochure for the public.

Plager stated she would check with the military to see if they had a replacement representative for the commission during Tim Mullins' absence. **Plager** said she will also send a letter of appreciation to the Army for their support in making the August field trip possible.

11. STAFF and LIAISON COMMENTS - None

12. AGENDA SETTING FOR December 5, 2011 COMMISSION MEETING

- A. Update on fish hatchery
- B. Existing Bettisworth river studies
- C. Letter of comment to the mayors re: temporary dog park
- D. Borough Reports
- E. City Reports
- F. Committee Reports

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

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BED TAX DISCRETIONARY FUND COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES, JUNE 14, 2011
FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
800 CUSHMAN STREET, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

The Bed Tax Discretionary Fund Committee convened at 6:00 p.m. on the above date, to conduct a meeting at the City Council Chambers, 800 Cushman Street, Fairbanks, Alaska, with Council Member Stiver presiding and with the following Members in attendance:

Members Present: Karen Fox
 Darryl Lewis

Absent: Carole Newcomer
 Kathryn Dodge
 Carter Crawford

Also Present: John Eberhart (sitting as chair for Vivian Stiver's partial
 absence)
 Tony Shumate, Director Personnel/Purchasing/RM

NEW BUSINESS

a) Events to be Held in City Limits to Qualify

Chair Stiver suggested that Bed Tax Discretionary Fund applicants may be required to obtain a City Business License. She stated that she is waiting on a response from the Clerk's Office on the matter.

Members discussed the percentage of events backed by recipients of discretionary funds held in the City limits and how to quantify distribution based on these events. They also discussed tourist lodging outside the City limits and the idea that room-counting may be a more accurate way to determine fund distribution.

b) Score Sheet

Members discussed allowing organizations to track their event locations by using a score sheet; some thought it may be too difficult to quantify.

The committee spoke to applicants' budgets and how to allocate funding for organizations with high budgets vs. those with little to no budget.

Chair Stiver discussed the importance for funding those organizations that help keep the downtown area clean, safe and welcoming. She spoke of giving consideration to "shoulder season" events.

Members discussed how to best distribute grant dollars based on scale, location, and season of events.

c) Bed Tax Funds are Clearly for Tourist Related Economic Development

Members discussed how to screen applications to prevent health and social service organizations from applying for grant funding.

Mr. Eberhart recommended amending the FGC regarding Bed Tax Discretionary Fund to clarify the exclusion of health and social services.

Further discussion was given to a possible amendment to the FGC.

d) Application Content

Members discussed the need for applicants to: specify where grant dollars will be used and a requirement to follow-up with receipts; check the City's website, their PO boxes and newspaper regularly for bed tax information; be aware that the committee is now operating according to the timeline set forth by ordinance; turn in financials to the City Finance Department for review to ensure information is complete. The committee members discussed the problem with discretionary funds being used by organizations to make purchases from the private sector that would result in discount benefits for their members.

OPEN DISCUSSION (limited to 15 minutes)

Chair Stiver had to leave the meeting early; Mr. Eberhart temporarily took her place as chair. Discussion continued on the dilemma of whether or not to allocate grant dollars to all events sponsored by an grantee or only those taking place within the City limits of Fairbanks. They considered their options for implementing such a requirement and discussed another potential part of the application process which would obligate the applicant to disclose salary information for its employees.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Eberhart declared the Meeting adjourned at 6:41 P.M.



Vivian Stiver, Chair

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City Of Fairbanks



MEMORANDUM

To: City Council Members
From: Jerry Cleworth, City Mayor
Subj: Fact Finding Commission
Date: January 9, 2012

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "JC", is written over the "From" line of the memorandum.

Terms for all members of the Fact Finding Commission are expiring this month.

I request your concurrence to the re-appointments of the following citizens:

Mr. Pat Doogan – reappointment. Term to expire: December 31, 2014

Ms. Shirley Gordon – reappointment as alternate. Term to expire: December 31, 2014.

Mr. JB Brainerd – reappointment. Term to expire: December 31, 2014

All nominees are previous members of this committee.

Thank you.

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City Of Fairbanks



MEMORANDUM

To: City Council Members

From: Jerry Cleworth, City Mayor

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Subj: Finance Committee

Date: January 9, 2012

There is currently one member of the Finance Committee whose term expired on December 31, 2011.

I request your concurrence to the re-appointment of:

Mr. Jeff Johnson – reappointment only. Term to expire: December 31, 2014

Mr. Johnson is a previous member of this committee, and has provided consistently excellent consideration of issues and brings an outstanding level of knowledge and participation to this group.

Thank you.

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City Of Fairbanks



MEMORANDUM

To: City Council Members
From: Jerry Cleworth, City Mayor
Subj: Public Safety Commission
Date: January 9, 2012

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There are currently two members on the Public Safety Commission whose terms have expired on December 31, 2011.

I request your concurrence to the re-appointments of the following citizens:

Ms. Buzzy Chiu – reappointment only. Term to expire: December 31, 2014

Thank you.

ABC/

City Of Fairbanks



MEMORANDUM

To: City Council Members

From: Jerry Cleworth, City Mayor

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Subj: Building Code Review & Appeals Commission

Date: January 9, 2012

One member of the commission, whose term of service has expired, James Movius, will not be returning to service with the commission. To fill the vacancy left by Mr. Movius, I request your concurrence to the appointment of:

Chris Hodges – Permanent member. Term to expire: December 31, 2015.

(Length of term “staggered” and shorted to four years to ensure that not all members will expire in same year).

Two members of the commission, whose terms of service have expired, wish to be reappointed to the commission. I therefore request your concurrence to the reappointment of:

Jerry Mustard - Permanent member. Term to expire: December 31, 2016

Michael Sexton – Permanent member. Term to expire: December 31, 2016

Thank you.

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