

Regular Ketchikan City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Williams at 7:00 p.m., November 4, 2010, with the following members present: Dick Coose (via teleconference), Jason Harris, Kj Harris, Matthew Olsen, Jack Shay, Robert Sivertsen and Marty West.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all persons in the Chambers.

Staff present were Manager Amylon, Assistant Manager Martin, Finance Director Newell, Fire Chief Hill, Port and Harbors Director Corporon, Police Chief Talik, Public Works Director Allen, Electric Division Manager Kline, Water Division Manager Kleinegger, Assistant Public Works Director Brakke, Senior Project Engineer Holstrom, Senior Project Engineer Jurczak and City Clerk Suiter.



**PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 10-1663 – AMENDING
CHAPTER 11.12 TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE AND
RATES OF THE KETCHIKAN MUNICIPAL CODE**

Mayor Williams called the public hearing on Ordinance No. 10-1663 to order at 7:01 p.m. and requested public testimony.

As there was no testimony, Mayor Williams declared the public hearing closed at 7:01 p.m.



COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Williams said there is a boards and commission list that needs to be taken care, a letter from the Chamber requesting some money for the holidays, and a reservoir report.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Jason Custer, Grant Coordinator for the City of Saxman, requested the City of Ketchikan join the City of Saxman and the Ketchikan Gateway Borough's efforts to develop a public harbor in Saxman. He said he would be available to answer any questions.

Fire Chief Jim Hill introduced new Assistant Fire Chief Frank Share, stating Mr. Share comes to the City from Michigan. He said Mr. Share comes from a very similar situation, and he was a perfect match for Ketchikan.

Mr. Share thanked the Council for the opportunity to come to Ketchikan to serve the community.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Sivertsen requested several items be considered separately: Resolution No. 10-2373, Resolution No. 10-2372, Resolution No. 10-2374 and Resolution No. 10-

2375, all concerning loan applications to the State of Alaska regarding the 4th & 7th Avenues/Jackson & Monroe Streets Water and Sewer Main Replacement and Alaska Avenue Water and Sewer Main Projects.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of October 21, 2010.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Exempting the Purchase of Basler Electric Generator Field Exciter Control Packages from the Competitive Bidding/Quotation Requirements of the Ketchikan Municipal Code

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris pursuant to subparagraph 6 of Section 3.12.050(a) of the Ketchikan Municipal Code, the City Council exempt the purchase of two generator field exciter control packages from Basler Electric without competitive bidding/quotations at a cost of \$96,000; authorize funding from the Electric Division's 2010 Beaver Falls Unit No. 1 and Ketchikan Unit No. 3 Excitation Capital Accounts; and direct the general manager to execute the contract documents on behalf of the City Council.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Amendment No. 2 to Alaska Energy Authority Grant Agreement No. 2195441 – Whitman Lake Hydro Construction (Reconnaissance)

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris the City Council approve Amendment No. 2 to Alaska Energy Authority Grant Agreement No. 2195441 extending the completion dates for design and FERC review to April 1 and June 1, 2011 respectively and authorize the general manager to execute the amendment on behalf of the City Council.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Budget Transfer – 2010 Port of Ketchikan Overtime

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris the City Council authorize the city manager to transfer \$30,000 from the Port Department's 2010 Temporary Salaries Account No. 14

to the Overtime Account No. 12 for the purpose of funding overtime costs due to unanticipated resignations by seasonal Port security and crossing guard staff.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Resolution No. 10-2369 – Supporting the Concept of Developing a Public Harbor in the City of Saxman

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris the City Council approve Resolution No. 10-2369 supporting the concept of developing a public harbor in the City of Saxman and establishing an effective date.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Obligating Award Documents and Memorandum of Understanding for State Managed Programs – 2010 State Homeland Security Program

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris the City Council approve the obligating award documents and Memorandum of Agreement between the State of Alaska and the City of Ketchikan for funding under the 2010 State Homeland Security Program for the purchase of new self-contained breathing apparatus and continued disaster preparedness training and authorize the city manager to execute the grant agreements on behalf of the City Council.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Denali Commission Financial Assistance Award – Replacement of Thomas Basin Finger Floats

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris the City Council approve the Financial Assistance Award in the amount of \$900,000 between the Denali Commission and the City of Ketchikan for the replacement of finger floats in Thomas Basin and authorize the city manager to execute the grant documents on behalf of the City Council.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 09-38, Millar Street Bridge Replacement – Southeast Engineering, Inc.

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Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris the City Council approve Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 09-38, Millar Street Bridge Replacement, extending the contract completion date to August 17, 2010 and direct the city manager to execute the change order on behalf of the City Council.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Award of Contract No. 10-34 – Landfill Litter Fencing, Abletech, Inc.

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris the City Council accept the bid of Abletech, Inc. of Ann Arbor, Michigan in the amount of \$69,950 for Contract No. 10-34, Landfill Litter Fencing; authorize funding from the 2010 Solid Waste Division's Landfill Litter Fencing Capital Account; and direct the city manager to execute the contract documents on behalf of the City Council.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Resolution No. 10-2370 – Authorizing Submittal of an Application for Grant Funding in the Amount of \$1,911,000 from the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation as Designated in the State of Alaska Fiscal Year 2011 Capital Budget Through the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation Municipal Water, Sewerage, and Solid Waste Matching Grants Program Prioritized Listing of Projects and Associated Costs for the Baranof Reservoir Replacement Project

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris the City Council approve Resolution No. 10-2370 authorizing submittal of an application for grant funding in the amount of \$1,911,000 from the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation as designated in the State of Alaska Fiscal Year 2011 Capital Budget through the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation Municipal Water, Sewerage, and Solid Waste Matching Grants Program Prioritized Listing of Projects and Associated Costs for the Baranof Reservoir Replacement Project; and establishing an effective date.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Resolution No. 10-2371 – Authorizing the Submittal of a Loan Application to the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation for \$1,600,000 of Funding

Through the State Fiscal Year 2011 Alaska Drinking Water Fund Loan Program with Subsidy in the Amount of \$771,900 Through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for the Baranof Reservoir Replacement Project

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris the City Council approve Resolution No. 10-2371 authorizing the submittal of a loan application to the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation for \$1,600,000 of funding through the State Fiscal Year 2011 Alaska Drinking Water Fund Loan Program with subsidy in the amount of \$771,900 through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for the Baranof Reservoir Replacement Project; and establishing an effective date.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Budget Transfer – 2010 Sales, Marketing & Customer Service Division Overtime Account

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris the City Council authorize the general manager to transfer \$30,000 from the Sales, Marketing & Customer Service Division's 2010 Salaries & Wages Account No. 11 to the Overtime Account No. 12 to fund the cost of overtime that was incurred as a result of staffing shortages.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Budget Transfer – 2010 Police Department Central Communications Division Overtime and Police Operations Division Telecommunications Services Accounts

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris the City Council authorize the city manager to transfer from within the Police Department's 2010 Annual Operating Budget \$25,000 from the Central Communications Division's Temporary Salaries Account No. 14 to the Overtime Account No. 12 to fund the cost of overtime due to staffing shortages and \$14,200 from the Police Operations Division's Insurance Account No. 55 to the Telecommunications Account No. 63 for the purpose of funding additional Reverse 911 costs.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Budget Transfer – Transfer of the Gateway Center for Human Services to Akeela, Inc.

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris the City Council authorize the city manager to transfer from within the Hospital Sales Tax Fund 2010 Annual Budget \$533,000 from the Non-Departmental – Transfers to Other Funds Account No. 80 to the Public Health – Akeela Contract Services Account No. 53 for the purpose of funding costs associated with the transfer of Gateway Center for Human Services to Akeela, Inc.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Budget Transfer – Storm Drainage Improvements Capital Account

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Kj Harris the City Council authorize the city manager to transfer \$39,000 from the Streets Division’s 2010 Asphalt Overlay Capital Account to the Storm Drainage Improvements Capital Account, in order to address projects that were unanticipated or that came in higher than budgeted in the current fiscal year.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Resolution No. 10-2373 – Authorizing the Submittal of a Loan Application to the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation for \$2,603,505 of Funding Through the State Fiscal Year 2011 Alaska Clean Water Fund Loan Program with Subsidy in the Amount of \$390,526 for the 4th and 7th Avenues/Jackson & Monroe Streets Sewer Main Replacement Project

Public Works Director Allen answered questions from the Council. In response to Councilmember Sivertsen, he said the bottom line estimate used is about a year and a half old, and it was not updated until just recently. He continued the loans are based on the initial figure, noting there has been no appreciable change to the scope of the project. He stated staff is not very pleased, and when a consulting firm is hired the estimates are expected to be accurate. He explain they have talked to the engineering firm and there have been some explanations that there has been a notable increase to the cost of work because of all the work going on. He said in and of itself, this has some merit but certainly not enough to explain the cost increase. He confirmed the increase was approximately \$3 million, and Councilmember Sivertsen noted this was about 64%, which was unacceptable.

Councilmember Jason Harris asked what measures could be put in place to avoid such issues in the future, and Public Works Director Allen said oversight is the best method although staff is stretched very thin and that is why this work is contracted out. Manager Amylon said an option is to draw on a wider pool of design firms.

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Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Shay the City Council approve Resolution No. 10-2373 authorizing the submittal of a loan application to the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation for \$2,603,505 of funding through the State Fiscal Year 2011 Alaska Clean Water Fund Loan Program with subsidy in the amount of \$390,526 for the 4th and 7th Avenues/Jackson & Monroe Streets Sewer Main Replacement Project; and establishing an effective date.

Motion passed with West, Olsen, Shay, Jason Harris, Kj Harris, Sivertsen and Coose voting yea.

Resolution No. 10-2372 – Authorizing the Submittal of a Loan Application to the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation for \$2,217,795 of Funding Through the State Fiscal Year 2011 Alaska Drinking Water Fund Loan Program for the 4th & 7th Avenues/Jackson & Monroe Streets Water Main Replacement Project

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Shay the City Council approve Resolution No. 10-2372 authorizing the submittal of a loan application to the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation for \$2,217,795 of funding through the State Fiscal Year 2011 Alaska Drinking Water Fund Loan Program for the 4th & 7th Avenues/Jackson & Monroe Streets Water Main Replacement Project; and establishing an effective date.

Motion passed with West, Olsen, Shay, Jason Harris, Kj Harris, Sivertsen and Coose voting yea.

Resolution No. 10-2374 – Authorizing the Submittal of a Loan Application to the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation for \$1,183,640 of Funding Through the State Fiscal Year 2011 Alaska Clean Water Fund Loan Program with Point-Source Subsidy in the Amount of \$158,193 for the Alaska Avenue Sewer Main Replacement Project

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Shay the City Council approve Resolution No. 10-2374 authorizing the submittal of a loan application to the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation for \$1,183,640 of funding through the State Fiscal Year 2011 Alaska Clean Water Fund Loan Program with point-source subsidy in the amount of \$158,193 for the Alaska Avenue Sewer Main Replacement Project; and establishing an effective date.

Motion passed with West, Olsen, Shay, Jason Harris, Kj Harris, Sivertsen and Coose voting yea.

Resolution No. 10-2375 – Authorizing the Submittal of a Loan Application to the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation for \$1,275,781 of Funding Through the State Fiscal Year 2011 Alaska Drinking Water Fund Loan Program for the Alaska Avenue Water Main Replacement Project

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Shay the City Council approve Resolution No. 10-2375 authorizing the submittal of a loan application to the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation for \$1,275,781 of funding through the State Fiscal Year 2011 Alaska Drinking Water Fund Loan Program for the Alaska Avenue Water Main Replacement Project; and establishing an effective date.

Motion passed with West, Olsen, Shay, Jason Harris, Kj Harris, Sivertsen and Coose voting yea.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 10-1663 – Amending Chapter 11.12 Telecommunications Service and Rates of the Ketchikan Municipal Code – Second Reading

Copies of Ordinance No. 10-1663 were available for all persons present.

Moved by West, seconded by Jason Harris the City Council approve in second reading Ordinance No. 10-1663 amending Chapter 11.12 of the Ketchikan Municipal Code, Telecommunications Service and Rates; providing for a public hearing; and establishing an effective date.

Motion passed with Sivertsen, Jason Harris, Coose, Kj Harris, Olsen, West and Shay voting yea.

NEW BUSINESS

Award of Contract No. 10-24 – Thomas Basin Phase II Finger Float Replacement – Western Dock & Bridge - \$683,750

Moved by Jason Harris, seconded by Sivertsen the City Council accept the bid of Western Dock & Bridge in the amount of \$683,750 for Contract No. 10-24, Thomas Basin Phase II Finger Float Replacement; establish a ten percent contingency in the amount of \$68,375, bringing the total project cost to \$752,125; authorize funding from the Harbor Department's 2010 Thomas Basin Phase II Finger Float Replacement Capital Account; and direct the city manager to execute the contract documents on behalf of the City Council.

Port and Harbors Director Corporon answered questions from the Council.

Motion passed with Coose, Jason Harris, West, Kj Harris, Sivertsen, Olsen and Shay voting yea.

Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 07-04, Whitman Lake Hydroelectric Project Final Design, Hatch Acres Corporation

Moved by Shay, seconded by Jason Harris the City Council approve Change Order No. 4 in the amount of \$217,700 to Contract No. 07-04, Whitman Lake Hydroelectric Project Final Design, between Ketchikan Public Utilities and Hatch Acres Corporation; authorize funding from the Electric Division's Whitman Lake Hydroelectric Project Capital Account; and direct the general manager to execute the change order on behalf of the City Council.

Motion passed with Shay, Kj Harris, Olsen, West, Jason Harris, Sivertsen and Coose voting yea.

Change Order No. 10 to Contract No. 07-38, UV Disinfection and Chloramination Facility – Southeast Engineering, Inc.

Moved by Shay, seconded by Jason Harris the City Council approve Change Order No. 10 in the amount of \$22,100 to Contract No. 07-38, UV Disinfection and Chloramination Facility, between Ketchikan Public Utilities and Southeast Engineering, Inc. and authorize the general manager to execute the change order on behalf of the City Council.

Manager Amylon said staff is waiting for an operating permit from ADEC to operate the chloramination facility. Councilmember West noted there is going to be a public hearing about this next Tuesday night, and Manager Amylon said there is advertising scheduled for it.

Motion passed with Jason Harris, Sivertsen, Olsen, Shay, Coose, Kj Harris and West voting yea.

Budget Transfer – Declaration of Public Emergency for the Restoration of Electric Service, Alaska Tree Experts and Wilson Construction

Moved by West, seconded by Kj Harris pursuant to paragraph (7) of Section 3.12.050(a) of the Ketchikan Municipal Code, the City Council declare that the restoration of electric service following extensive storm damage between October 10 and 18, 2010 as a public emergency; direct the general manager to execute purchase orders in the amounts of

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\$6,734 and \$32,709 respectively to Alaska Tree Experts and Wilson Construction for services rendered; and authorize the transfer of \$39,443 from Appropriated Reserves of the KPU Enterprise Fund to the 2010 Electric Division's Contractual Services Account No. 53.

Manager Amylon noted staff has not received any invoices from Chatham Electric, and will be receiving an additional invoice from Wilson Construction.

Motion passed with Kj Harris, Coose, Sivertsen, West, Shay, Olsen and Jason Harris voting yea.

Amendment No. 6 to Contract No. 07-18 – Design of Phase III Harbor Improvements, PND Engineers, Inc.

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Jason Harris the City Council authorize the city manager to execute Amendment No. 6 to Contract No. 07-18, Design of Phase III Harbor Improvements, in an amount not to exceed \$33,090 between the City of Ketchikan and PND Engineers, Inc. and approve funding from the Harbors Department's 2010 Thomas Basin Phase II Finger Float Replacement Capital Account.

Motion passed with West, Olsen, Shay, Jason Harris, Kj Harris, Sivertsen and Coose voting yea.

Negotiation of Contract No. 10-31 – Construction Manager/General Contractor Services for the Construction for a New Municipal Fire Station, Dawson Construction, Inc.

Moved by Shay, seconded by Jason Harris the City Council authorize the city manager to enter into negotiations with Dawson Construction, Inc. of Ketchikan, Alaska/Bellingham, Washington for Contract No. 10-31, Construction Manager/General Contractor Services for the construction of a new municipal fire station, said agreement to be submitted to the City Council for formal consideration and approval.

Manager Amylon stated that staff would be working with the Borough to resolve some outstanding parking issues in the Spruce Mill area. He said it will need to be rezoned as well.

Public Works Director Allen explained and described the phases of the contract.

Motion passed with Sivertsen, Jason Harris, Coose, Kj Harris, Olsen, West and Shay voting yea.

Resolution No. 10-2368 – Designating a Recovery Zone for Purposes of Sections 1400U-1 and 1400U-2 of the Internal

Revenue Code of 1986, as Amended and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Moved by Kj Harris, seconded by Olsen the City Council approve Resolution No. 10-2368 designating a recovery zone for purposes of Sections 1400U-1 and 1400U-2 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009; and establishing an effective date.

Motion passed with Coose, Jason Harris, West, Kj Harris, Sivertsen, Olsen and Shay voting yea.

Resolution No. 10-2364 – Authorizing the Issuance of One or More Series of General Obligation Bonds of the City in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Not to Exceed \$7,200,000 to Finance the Construction and Equipping of a New Fire Station as Authorized by the Voters at an Election Held Therein on October 5, 2010; Authorizing Tax Levies to Pay the Principal Thereof and Interest Thereon; Authorizing the Sale of the Bonds to the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank on the Terms and Conditions Provided in This Resolution

Moved by Jason Harris, seconded by West the City Council approve Resolution No. 10-2364 authorizing the issuance of one or more series of general obligation bonds of the City in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$7,200,000 to finance the construction and equipping of a new fire station as authorized by the voters at an election held therein on October 5, 2010; authorizing tax levies to pay the principal thereof and interest thereon; authorizing the sale of the bonds to the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank on the terms and conditions provided in this resolution; and establishing an effective date.

Motion passed with Shay, Kj Harris, Olsen, West, Jason Harris, Sivertsen and Coose voting yea.

Budget Transfer – Amendment No. 2 to Contract No. 10-22, Professional Services Agreement, Between the City of Ketchikan and RISE Alaska, Phase II Grant Writing Services

Moved by Sivertsen, seconded by Olsen the City Council authorize the city manager to enter into Amendment No. 2 in the amount of \$23,500 to Contract No. 10-22, Professional Services Agreement, between the City and RISE Alaska, LLC for Phase II grant writing services associated with the construction of a new Ketchikan Public Library; approve a budget transfer in the amount of \$23,500 from Appropriated Reserves of the Community Facilities Development Fund to the Library Facilities Replacement

Capital Account; and direct the city manager to execute Amendment No. 2 on behalf of the City Council.

Motion passed with Jason Harris, Sivertsen, Olsen, Shay, Coose, Kj Harris and West voting yea.

VOUCHERS

Moved by West, seconded by Jason Harris for approval of vouchers to Ketchikan Daily News in the amount of \$5,801.28.

Motion passed with West, Olsen, Shay, Jason Harris, Kj Harris, Sivertsen and Coose voting yea.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

General Government and KPU Appropriated Reserves Through the City Council Meeting of October 21, 2010

Manager Amylon provided the Council a schedule of the current balance of Appropriated Reserves of the various funds of General Government and KPU through the City Council meeting of October 21, 2010. He noted the schedule has been adjusted to reflect the 2009 audit.

Report of Federal Lobbyist

Manager Amylon included the October 29, 2010 report of the City's federal lobbyist, Steve Silver, for Council review.

State Representatives

Manager Amylon advised that Senator Stedman has been reappointed as co-chair of the Finance Committee, which bodes well for Ketchikan.

Millar Street Bridge and North Yorktown/Jackson Heights Projects

Manager Amylon reported the Millar Street Bridge still remains significantly behind schedule, and even though work progresses, it is at a very slow rate. He said staff is just not getting any response to inquiries relative to a recovery plan on the North Yorktown/Jackson Heights Project. He stated what makes it even more frustrating for staff is the contractor came and represented to the Council they were going to move these projects forward and work with staff in a cooperative manner, yet one of the principals has the opportunity to take off for five weeks.

K.P.U. MANAGER'S REPORT

Report of September 24 and 27, 2010 Power Outages

Manager Amylon transmitted a report from Senior Electrical Systems Engineer Donato regarding the September 24 and 27, 2010 power outages.

**September 2010 Violation of the Stage 1
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts Rule**

Manager Amylon included a memorandum from Water Division Manager Kleinegger reporting that quarterly water samples collected in September have exceeded the EPA's maximum thresholds for haloacetic acids. He noted the ADEC should authorize the use of the new UV and Chloramination Treatment Facilities in the near future and the use of alternative treatment methods should address this issue.

Water and Sewer Ordinances

Manager Amylon said if the Council expected to see the ordinances that were deferred last meeting relative to water and sewer rates as they pertain to Alaska Ship and Drydock, he reported staff met with Alaska Ship and Drydock this week and it was a constructive discussion. He said they would like Mr. Kleinegger to work with a consultant to review their plans and some of the things they are working on, which staff has agreed to. He stated the consultant they thought they had, they no longer have and they are going to have to go out and hire someone new. He explained staff gave them some contact information so hopefully they can get pointed in the right direction to some people in Seattle who are knowledgeable about the areas of concern. He stated the bottom line is they don't think they are going to be in a position to respond back to the Council until the end of February of 2011.

In response to Councilmember Olsen, Water Division Manager Kleinegger said if the ordinance is adopted for water rates, they will pay about \$3,300 per month. He noted presently they are paying \$2,044 per month. He continued for sewer the charge will be a little over \$500 per month, and at present it is about \$110, \$111 per month.

CITY CLERK'S FILE – None

CITY ATTORNEY'S FILE – None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – None

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Shay said he would take the Council's concerns regarding the prioritization of issues back to AML. He reported PLEDAC will meet tomorrow at noon

in the Borough Assembly chambers, and they will be considering Title 10 which is the old economic development ordinances of the Borough. He said he was the mayor at the time those ordinances were drafted, and they need a serious look and updating. He noted the Council received a report from the attorney about the Hawkins/Denali suit, and the judge agreed with the City's position that the privately owned land is not under the City's control relative to the drainage issues. He said the Alaska Game Board will be meeting over the weekend, and anyone can address them tomorrow to provide testimony for any issues that will come before them.

Councilmember West said she is disappointed there will be no discussion on the water rates until February. She stated she heard from a couple of commercial fishermen about the raw fish tax, and they were dismayed the Council moved it back into the General Fund. She related they hoped it at least meant increased police coverage, especially in Thomas Basin where there is a lot of theft and people being stupid.

Councilmember Sivertsen said the Cooperative Relations Committee has been meeting on a number of subjects, and the next meeting is December 10 at which time they will be discussing funding options for the construction of the new library, cruise ship shuttle and community agency update.

Councilmember Jason Harris said he would be phoning in on Monday. He noted he is excited about moving the fire station forward, as it is a project the Council has been working on since he has been on it. He said if any councilmembers have not spent time in the current fire station, he encouraged them to go in and sit in their training room, and allow the staff to raise and lower the doors about six times while trying to have a meeting. He echoed Councilmember Sivertsen's comments about the size of the station, stating it is better to build bigger rather than smaller, which is easier to do when constructing the building versus after the fact. He explained the station will be utilized in several manners rather than just to park some trucks in it that are hanging out there during the day for calls. He hoped they put means in the station so that they can do training and it can be a multiuse building as well as to house trucks.

Mayor Williams referred to the list of Boards and Commissions, noting Councilmember Shay wanted to be back on the Joint Tax Committee. He said Williams and Sivertsen were on the Cooperative Relations Committee, and Councilmember Coose would be as well. He said he has someone talk to him about the raw fish tax as well, and he tried to explain what the Council was trying to do. He felt the Council's focus was to make improvements to the harbor and make it attractive to everybody as well as a good facility.

Councilmember Sivertsen added the Library Building Committee met at the Paul Building last night, and they are in contact with a design group and went over a bunch of the changes they had made since their prior visit to town. He said it looks like they are on schedule, and are proposing a meeting within two weeks.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS – None

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EXECUTIVE SESSIONS – None

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, the Council adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Lew Williams III, Mayor

ATTEST:

Katherine M. Suiter
City Clerk

FYI ITEMS INCLUDED

Unapproved Minutes of the October 22, 2010 Ketchikan Gateway Borough/City of Ketchikan
Cooperative Relations Committee Meeting
Boys & Girls Clubs of Southcentral Alaska's Quarterly Activity and Financial Reports – July
Through September 2010
Community Connection Older Alaskans and Adult Resource Services (OARS) – Quarterly
Report July Through September 2010
Southeast Alaska Independent Living, Inc. – Quarterly Report July Through September 2010
Ketchikan Area Arts & Humanities Council, Inc. – Quarterly and Financial Reports July
Through September 2010