

I. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Dillingham City Council was held on Thursday, October 16, 2008 at the Dillingham City Council Chambers, Dillingham, Alaska. Mayor Alice Ruby called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Mayor Alice Ruby present

Council Members present:

Carol Shade
Sue Mulkeit
Tim Sands
Keggie Tubbs
Billy Maines
Steve Hunt

Staff in attendance:

Janice Shilanski, Interim City Manager
Steve Cropsey, Project Manager
Lori Goodell, Interim City Clerk
Staci Fieser, Finance Director
Richard Thompson, Chief of Police
Jody Seitz, Planning Director

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Tim Sands moved and Steve Hunt seconded the motion to approve the agenda.

Discussion: None

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

IV. SPECIAL BUSINESS

A. Approve Canvass Committee Meeting Minutes of October 10, 2008.

MOTION: Tim Sands moved and Steve Hunt seconded the motion to approve the Canvassing Committee Minutes of October 10, 2008.

Discussion: None

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

- B. Resolution 2008-39, A Resolution of the Dillingham City Council Accepting the Certification of the Canvassing Committee Results and Certifying the October 7, 2008 Election.

MOTION: Tim Sands moved and Steve Hunt seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2008-39.

Discussion:

- commended Canvassing Committee on a job well done.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

- C. Resolution 2008-40, A Resolution of the Dillingham City Council Opposing Oil and Gas Drilling in the Bristol Bay/North Aleutian Basin.

MOTION: Billy Maines moved and Tim Sands seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2008-40.

Discussion:

- reported the comment period ends tomorrow and this Resolution will be faxed to MMS if it passes;
- noted this Resolution specifically requests the Secretary to remove the Bristol Bay/North Aleutian Basin area from the exploration list;
- stated that Resolution 2006-49 was more general;
- noted the numbering of the pages needs to be corrected; and
- suggested adding an additional whereas to note this resolution reaffirms the 2006 resolution.

MOTION: Keggie Tubbs moved and Tim Sand's seconded the motion to amend Resolution 2008-40 to add another WHEREAS, the City reaffirms the position taken in Resolution 2006-49 passed by the City Council December 7, 2006.

Discussion:

- noted this resolution requests removal from the list for five years; and
- stated this reaffirms and enhances the City's position.

VOTE: The motion to amend Resolution 2008-40 passed unanimously.

Discussion:

- noted the potential for a fuel/oil spill is a big concern and would have a greater local impact than the drilling done further out in the region; and
- stated the fishery would automatically shut down if a spill happened at the wrong time of year.

VOTE: The motion to approve amended Resolution 2008-40 passed unanimously.

- D. Resolution 2008-41, A Resolution of the Dillingham City Council Identifying the City of Dillingham's Federal and State Legislative Funding Priority for FY 2010 as Emergency Shoreline Erosion for the Small Boat Harbor.

MOTION: Tim Sands moved and Steve Hunt seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2008-41.

City Manager Shilanski informed Council this Resolution will be presented to the State Legislature to identify the City's number one priority. The City's Lobbyist reviewed this information and approved the Resolution. Congressman Don Young also looked over this Resolution when he was in town last week.

Discussion:

- noted the positive public comments regarding the City Manager and Planning Director's presentation to Congressman Young;
- stated concern how the City's funding request might have an effect on the Hospital's erosion and sewer lagoon projects;
- verified the Kakanak beach erosion by the hospital is owned by the Federal Government; and
- stated this work will mitigate the majority of the erosion at the harbor but is just the beginning of the harbor projects.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

- E. Introduce Ordinance 2008-11, An Ordinance of the Dillingham City Council Authorizing the Execution of a Common Investment Agreement Among Political Subdivisions of the State of Alaska and to Authorize Becoming a Member of the Alaska Municipal League Investment Pool, Inc.

MOTION: Tim Sands moved and Sue Mulkeit seconded the motion to introduce Ordinance 2008-11.

City Manager Shilanski read an article from the October 9, 2008 Anchorage Daily News that reports the Municipality of Anchorage utilizes the AML Investment Pool and how it has been a positive investment.

Discussion:

- requested more information regarding what investment pools are; and
- stated Council could have a workshop to go over this issue.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

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

There was no citizen's discussion.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Personnel Matter

MOTION: Tim Sands moved and Billy Maines seconded the motion to go into Executive Session at 7:28 p.m., pursuant to Dillingham Municipal Code 2.09.050 regarding personnel matters.

Discussion: None

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Billy Maines moved and Tim Sands seconded the motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:40 p.m.

Discussion: None

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Billy Maines moved and Tim Sands seconded the motion to direct the Mayor to work with the City Attorney and negotiate a contract with Janice Shilanski for the City Manager position.

Mayor Ruby thanked the Council for their hard work and dedication during the difficult job of City Manager recruitment.

Discussion:

- noted the goal is to have something for the Council to consider at the Nov. 6th regular meeting.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

VII. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Carol Shade:

- thanked City employees for their hard work.

Keggie Tubbs:

- thanked Billy Maines for his 6 years on council and service to the community during that time;
- congratulated Bob Himschoot and Carol Shade on the election;
- stated he would like to see the new fire truck; and
- acknowledged staff for their hard work and dedication.

Tim Sands:

- thanked Billy Maines for his service to the city;
- congratulated Keggie, Carol and Bob on the election; and
- thanked employees for their hard work.

MOTION: Tim Sands moved and Keggie Tubbs seconded the motion to direct the Mayor to write a letter the Board of Fisheries, Legislative representatives, and the Governors Office regarding the Board of Fish moving the Dec. 2009

meeting to Anchorage and not holding the meeting in the region that is impacted.

Discussion:

- suggested calling Dan OHare in Naknek regarding the letter.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

Steve Hunt:

- welcomed the new council members; and
- thanked Billy Maines for his service to the City.

Sue Mulkeit:

- thanked City employees;
- commented on the potential renaming of the boat harbor;
- congratulated Keggie, Carol and Bob; and
- thanked Billy for his service.

Billy Maines:

- acknowledged it had been a pleasure and privilege to serve with council and work with staff;
- stated he leaves knowing things have gotten better and is appreciative he was a part of it;
- thanked Council for their service, dedication and desire to improve Dillingham and the region;
- reminded Council to keep their eye on the ball, that people are watching and will remind them of their duty as Council Members;
- listed four qualities that are needed to be effective; buy-in, ownership, coordination, and leadership;
- stated City Council is an integral part of the community and need to take a leadership role;
- noted that it will be important to lead the attack on lowering costs through renewable, reusable resources;
- asserted that lower costs will help stop the out migration; and
- stated the youth center is important and it is time to stop talking and take action.

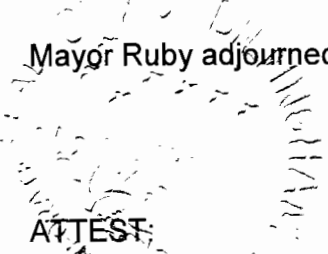
VIII. MAYOR'S DISCUSSION


- thanked Billy Maines for his contributions to the City;
- stated appreciation for his ability to bring parties together in open discussion;
- called attention to the Municipality of Anchorage letter regarding the statehood 50th anniversary;
- noted suggestion for a local celebration and possible renaming of the boat harbor to honor the Dillingham representative who was a signatory on the statehood documents; and
- recommended a workshop prior to the Nov. 6th meeting for new Council Member training and to cover the investment pool.

A moment of silence was observed for those that had been lost since the last meeting.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ruby adjourned the meeting at 9:02 p.m.





Alice Ruby, Mayor

ATTEST:



Lori Goodell, City Clerk

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