

**MINUTES FROM A REGULAR MEETING
OF SELDOVIA CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Monday
August 27, 2018
6:00pm**

ROJAS LETHIN SWEATT COLBERG CAMPBELL MORRISON
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- A. Call to Order & Roll Call: MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR LENT AT 6:00 PM
PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: ROJAS- telephonic, LETHIN, SWEATT, COLBERG, CAMPBELL-
telephonic, and MORRISON

STAFF: CITY MANAGER CAMERON
CITY CLERK GEAGEL

- B. Pledge of Allegiance: Held
C. Excused Absences: None
D. Agenda Approval: COLBERG/LETHIN MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA
VOICE VOTE/UNANIMOUS/MOTION PASSED
- E. Consent Agenda: *(All items under the Consent Agenda are approved with a single motion, no discussion, and one vote. A Council Member may request to remove an item(s) for discussion and a separate vote.)*
1. Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the Regular Meeting, August 13, 2018
2. Payment Approval Report:
3. Ordinance Introduction:
1. ORDINANCE 19-01 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELDOVIA, ALASKA, ADOPTING CHAPTER 5.35 BUSINESS LICENSE AND ESTABLISHING A PENALTY OF OFFENSE IN TITLE 1.08.040 MINOR OFFENSE TABLE
- SWEATT /COLBERG MOVED TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA
VOICE VOTE/UNANIMOUS/MOTION PASSED
- F. Mayoral Proclamations: None
G. Public Presentation Prior Notice: (each presenter has up to 10 min) None
H. Public Presentation for Items not on Agenda: (public has 3 min each)
LAUREL HILTS- Presented upcoming events scheduled for the Labor Day weekend as the Chamber Chainsaw Competition, a 5k race Saturday morning, Sunday night was the Guitar Masters in Concert, there would be live music every night at the Linwood, and the Seldovia Bay ferry would be running their regular season through September 16th.
I. Committee and Advisory Board Reports: (each member has 5 min)
GREG WOLFER- Cemetery Commissioner, reported on the Cemetery Commission meeting of Monday, August 20, 2018. Cemetery funds were currently at \$2,469.55. The meeting had a lot of attendance and people expressed their ideas on how to maintain the cemetery. They plan to make crosses out of Azek plastic wood, 30 eight footers and 40 twelve footers were already purchased and Mike Miller and the Mayor were already producing crosses. Fencing was also purchased and there were trees in the line of the old fence around the cemetery that need to be cleared or gone around. A drone took photographs of the cemetery from above, and they are working on a composite photograph of the cemetery that they hope to get complete this winter or this spring.
MAYOR LENT- Clarified that the material for the crosses was on the ferry scheduled for tomorrow and they would proceed after receiving it.
J. Public Hearings:
1. RESOLUTION 19-03 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELDOVIA APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES FOR THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 2, 2018.
a. Presentation by Staff or Council

CLERK GEAGEL- Presented Resolution 19-03 appointing election judges for the upcoming election and clarified that elections workers during the primary election were employed by the state.

b. Council Discussion

c. Public Presentation or Hearing (public has 3 min each)

LAUREL- Asked if election workers during the primary were hired by the city or borough, in regards to a posting on social media.

d. Action/Disposition

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K. Unfinished Business:

1. Discussion- Cedar Street Extension

a. Presentation by Staff or Council

CM CAMERON- Discussed that she had reached out to Mrs. Int- Hout and did not receive a response. The other piece she was asked to look into was the budget and acquiring property. They can use the permanent fund and she read the purpose of the fund. She presented a figure of \$10.48 per square foot based on the assessed value of the properties and approximate square footage being a acquired for a 14-foot right of way measuring 231.58 in length, totaling 3242.12 square feet and \$33977.742 to acquire the land not including the survey. She asked the council what their range was, if there was a minimum value they would be willing to consider, and if the land values needed to include water, sewer and utility improvements. Cedar Street is platted twenty feet but the extension would be platted, as is, at 14 feet.

b. Council Discussion

LETHIN- Discussed wanting a recalculation with just the land values, not any of the improvements. He spoke in opposition of using funds to acquire the land, and discussed that the land owners need to talk to Int-Hout and see if they can convince her to get on board, otherwise, they are wasting their time.

ROJAS- Spoke in agreement with needing a recalculation with just the land values. The council needs to consider if in they are in the position to acquire property. She spoke in support of paying for a portion of the survey and in opposition of paying for all of it. Walt Sonen was willing to give up a large portion of land.

CAMBELL- Spoke in opposition of using funds to acquire the land.

SWEATT- Spoke in support of the proposal the way it was originally presented with the city splitting half of the survey cost. If they go forward with acquiring the land they would be setting a precedence for all other properties around town and will deplete the permanent fund until they have nothing. She spoke in opposition of using funds to acquire the land.

MAYOR LENT- Spoke in support of having a recalculation of the land value instead of improved land value.

c. Public Presentation or Hearing (public has 3 min each)

WALT SONEN- Spoke in support of the property owners getting together, signing a document, and sending it to Ms. Int-Hout. He asked if the property owners were able to proceed with negotiations with Ms. Int-Hout would the city be willing to pay for the survey. They need the same surveyor to give the survey marks. He is on record that he will pay for half of the survey, and asked if the city had to treat everyone the same. If they pay for one or two people's portions do they put themselves in a position that they have to pay for everyone's portion? If they measured the extension it is basically twenty feet now, if it was replatted at 14 feet they would have the same problems that they have on Kachemak Street where the road is to skinny to pass. Another gentleman property owner wants the city to either pay for all of the survey or all of the land.

RANDI SWEET- Stated that with respect to petition, it is a piece of information for the city council on the importance of keeping the road open to the community. She did get a couple new signatures and gave them to the city clerk. The petition is reconfirming that there are a lot of people who would like to see a very positive resolution and not have the street closed. She also reached out to Ms. Int-Hout without response. Obviously it cannot work without everyone's agreement.

d. Action/Disposition

MORRISON- Spoke in opposition of the survey and in support of the property owners making the Cedar extension a private drive. He spoke in support of making Kachemak Street a one-way street and widening Willow Street. He spoke in opposition of using funds to acquire the land.

SWEATT- Discussed that they cannot move forward until all the property owners agreed.

CAMPBELL- Stated that buying land was never on the table and he spoke in support of the city paying for half the survey. It is a good thing as shown by petition. He spoke in support of putting Willow Street in the right place and stated that the Cedar extension definitely has value to the homeowners, as the city maintains it, it benefits the property owners. It is up to the property owners to convince the other owners.

ROJAS- Spoke in agreement with Campbell. She discussed the petition, stating it had 33 signers, 25 of which resided outside the City of Seldovia, though they do use the streets. She spoke in support of the city paying half of the survey cost to keep the right of way in place and in opposition of using funds to acquire the property.

COLBERG- Spoke in agreement with Campbell, and stated that if it does work out it will be a benefit for future generations.

CONSENSUS OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO TABLE THE DISCUSSION UNTIL THE PROPERTY OWNERS REACH AN AGREEMENT AND COMMUNICATE THE PLAN WITH THE CITY

L. New Business:

1. Social Media Policy

a. Presentation by Staff or Council

CLERK GEAGEL- Presented a draft social media policy example from the City of Houston and a social media policy from the City of Homer and discussed the need for a policy in order for the city to have an official public government page to be able to communicate on Facebook. She discussed that when a public official posts city business to Facebook from their private account, their private account can be misconstrued as public and make the official liable. She discussed needing a program to archive Facebook records, because city social media records would be a public record and follow Alaska Statutes and the City retention schedule, and need to be properly archived. She presented a spreadsheet that showed what companies other municipalities were using to archive their social media records. The city website is not interactive with people, it is just a website that puts out information. The City would not be able to give emergency and city updates on Facebook without a policy.

b. Council Discussion

LETHIN- Spoke in opposition of having a social media presence when the city already has a website. What is the benefit to the city to have this. He discussed not needing to archive social media records because a Facebook page could be made public and everyone could see what is posted.

SWEATT- Spoke in opposition of having a social media policy and spending funds to archive social media records and stated that her opinion was that no one post city business on Facebook anymore and to just use the City website.

COLBERG- Spoke in support of having a social media policy, in all things business should be separate from personal life, and he spoke in agreement with Campbell that social media is the way of the future. They need a way to get information out, people don't attend meetings.

CM CAMERON- Stated that currently everyone visits Facebook for information and in the past people have posted city business from their private accounts which opens them up for public records requests, the policy would allow for a government page and would separate private accounts from the city so there would no longer be an overlap for liability. Without a policy there would be no more HEA status updates. With a policy they could filter all information through a city Facebook information page. She stated that she thought having a social media account would clear up staff time and be a clean way to push information on a city page.

ROJAS- Discussed wanting more information and that they did not budget for a social media archive program.

MORRISON- Spoke in support of a social media policy.

CAMPBELL- Discussed that the cost was \$2300.00 annually to perform the archival service and spoke in support of having a social media policy. This is how the younger generation communicates, they can get on social media and tell you what is happening. The city needs a tool to get information out there, and the website is not interactive.

c. Public Presentation or Hearing (public has 3 min each)

LAUREL HILTS- Clarified that when a person comments on Facebook they have the full ability to delete their comments. She stated there was a paralleling conversation going on. One was to generate a City of Seldovia Business page, which exists as the business brand, if they share into a group it has to be a person. She gave an example of herself sharing Seldovia Arts posts to the chatterbox. The SOCC and library have business profiles. Creating a "persona" to share to chatterbox keeps the individual out of it. The person representing would think of the code of ethics which addresses how people are representing their business. She suggested they go to the Borough and see their policies. She attended a FEMA training, and they discussed the quickest ways to disseminate information and the chatterbox was a part of that, maybe there is funding available.

WALT SONEN- Asked if maintaining a social media account would be a burden to administration and more work.

JENNY CHISSUS- Discussed that it was a lot to try and manage information that comes and goes, and stated concern for the city to be able to stay on top of it. It is one more job. It is hard to start things and keep up and with the cost of doing it and if it meets the needs on how to get information out.

d. Action/Disposition

CONSENSUS OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO HAVE MORE INFORMATION BROUGHT TO THE NEXT MEETING

M. Administration Reports:

1. Treasurer's Report: None

2. City Manager's Report: See Laydown

CM CAMERON- Presented the City Manager's Report as written, which included continuing water infrastructure projects, there were two left out of seven. Earlier this month they completed their water and lead testing, since the plant became operational and coagulant has been used, the numbers have significantly gone down. She has been speaking with her DOT contact everyday about the acquisition of the corner lot, things seem positive. One employee is taking a much-needed vacation and a notice has been posted at the harbor, library, post office and in the packet that boat haul outs won't be available from September 17th through October 12th. If there was an emergency George Olivera and her husband a previous maintenance worker, will be willing to help out. For the harbormaster and assistants there are only two workers, off season hours will begin next week after Labor Day. Charles and Tyler are heading up the maintenance department. Regular staff, Heidi, is back in office after a much-needed vacation. She met with Rose McInnes and a postal auditor and conveyed to him the amount of online shopping this community does and the lack of space available, and urged him for an expansion of space, his report will be complete in a couple of months. There will be a presentation from Kevin with Alaska Rural Water Association at the September 24th council meeting, they will get a resolution drawn up for the Source Water Protection Plan and get a group to develop a more in-depth plan. She is hoping to get a member from SVT and Scott Ogan to be on the committee. There is an SFL teleconference scheduled for 10am the following day. The police officer will be there that weekend and will be on duty. He has given a definite start date of October 8th, until then he is being paid a contract daily wage, no salary or benefits. They are working on the punch list to close out the grant for the water treatment plant, and she is still working on an O&M manual for the dam.

N. Informational Items Not Requiring Action:

1. The filing period for Declaration of Candidacy closes September 2, 2018.

O. Executive Session: None

P. Council and Mayor Comments Concerning Items Not on the Agenda:

ROJAS- Thank you all for your hard work and thanks to whomever is in the audience for staying.

LETHIN- Thanked the staff for all their hard work and giving them information and the audience for being there.

SWEATT- Thanked everybody for coming that was in the audience and thanked the staff for all their hard work.

COLBERG- Thanked everybody for coming and staff for all their hard work.

CAMPBELL- Thanked everyone for attending and thanked the staff.

MORRISON- Thanked everyone for showing up and helping make decisions, that was what it is all about. He thanked the staff and thanked Laurel for making him a little more computer literate today.

MAYOR LENT- It's nice to see a few more people coming to the meetings, whatever your purpose is, it is appreciated.

Q. Next Meeting: Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, September 10, 2018 at 6:00 pm

R. Adjournment:

COLBERG/LETHIN MOVED TO ADJOURN AT 7:25PM
NO OBJECTION/MOTION PASSED

I certify the above represents accurate minutes of City of Seldovia Council meeting of August 27, 2018.



Heidi Geagel
Heidi Geagel, City Clerk

Approved by Council 09/10/18