

City of Coffman Cove
Thursday, January 16th 2014
6:45 Public Hearing Budget Amendment
7:00 Regular Council Meeting
City Hall

Public Hearing 6:45 on FY14 Amended Budget: No public comment.

Call to Order: Mayor Randy Neuberger called the meeting to order at 7:04PM

Roll Call: Mariana Carter, present. Randy Neuberger, present. Bryce Brucker, present. Cindy Huff, present (7:10). Brian Wilson, present. Perry Olson, present. Randy Lenz, absent.

Randy asked that we move the Maintenance Supervisor to the bottom of the agenda so we may go into Executive Session without asking the public to leave the room. Also add Vice Mayor as Cindy has resigned, but will continue to serve on council. Add RCA petition for electrical Rates. This is a late addition but Randy felt it was important.

Randy made the motion to amend the agenda as discussed. Mariana seconded. All were in favor.

Appoint Vice Mayor: Randy stated that this is a temporary position, and if the person elected would like to give the position back to Cindy when she returns to the community? We will discuss it when the time arrives.

Randy N. made the motion to appoint Bryce Brucker for Vice Mayor. Perry Olson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mariana, yes. Randy, yes. Bryce, yes. Brian, yes. Perry, yes. **Motion passes 5/0.**

Appoint Council Platting Board Member: **Randy made the motion to have Perry appointed to the Platting Board as Council representative. Mariana seconded.** Roll Call: Randy, yes, Bryce, yes. Brian, yes. Mariana, yes. Motion passed 5/0.

Public Comment: Roxy Wilson: Roxy has volunteered to represent our community in the Southern Southeast Local Emergency Communications Planning Committee. She has participated in the December meeting, and does plan on participating in future meetings. The committee she will be working on is the solution for our community's emergency broadcast system for our "dead zone", a short-term and long-term plan.

Randy asked if our 911 system is working. It was pointed out that our last emergency in the community, it did not work. Roxy did say that they were trying to figure out how to get one 911 system on the Island, instead of a different one for each community. She said she would like to see more people in our community get involved in our call out system. We have learned a lot from the past, but we need more people available to help out. Randy asked who we call first? Our emergency personal or 911? He was told 911 should be our your first call. Misty said we could have a workshop and invite Julie Hull and talk about getting someone on the 911 call-out 24 hours a day. We will put it on the February workshop.

Consent Agenda: Randy made the motion to accept the consent agenda. Mariana seconded. All were in favor

Persons to be heard: Rachelle Thompson USFS Luck Creek Restoration: Rachelle talked extensively about the Luck Creek Restoration Project. She said that Luck Creek was running at an "at risk" stage. A slide show presentation was also shown. Questions were answered from the public and council. The appeal process and deadlines were also discussed. Rachelle said the draft should be complete in 4-6 weeks.

Resolutions & Ordinances:

Adopt Non-Code Ordinance 14-01 FY14 Budget Amendment: **Bryce made the motion to adopt Resolution 14-01. Randy seconded.** Randy explained to the public about this non-code ordinance. Roll Call: Bryce, yes. Cindy, yes. Brian, yes. Perry, yes. Mariana, yes. Randy, yes. **Motion passes 6/0.**

Unfinished Business

Library User Agreement with Steve Beilgard:

Randy made the motion to accept the Library's Lease Agreement with Steve Beilgard. Mariana seconded the motion.

Discussion: Steve will be opening a take and bake pizza out of our library. The council talked about the lease agreement, and it was decided that Misty would re-write the agreement and use the lease agreement format that was used for the Business Training Center. Misty will contact Steve. Brian did point out that he does not agree that the \$400 agreement will cover library costs.

Randy removed his motion with Mariana's approval.

Randy made the motion to approve the business that Mr. Beilgard is proposing with the conditions of signing a new lease agreement which is the boiler plate that the city is beginning to use, with the modifications of the addendums of the specific library requirements such as not including to acting as a library volunteer: after it being sent out to the council for review and comments to Misty. Mariana seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Cindy, yes. Brian, declares conflict, and abstained. Randy agreed. Perry, yes. Mariana, yes. Randy, yes. Bryce yes. **Motion passed 5/0.**

Randy requested that it be sent out the following Monday and asked the council to respond within 3 days.

Randy suggested relaxing the agenda while Misty prepares her presentation:

Brandy Prefontaine talked to the Council about the watershed project. She thanked Misty and Cheryl Fecko for their input in the watershed. She wants to make sure that the grant applications that they apply for are for projects from the community, for the community and by the community, focusing on clean water. Every community is different and she encouraged the community to participate in the watershed meetings. They discuss anything water related.

New Business:

1. **CAPSIS:** Capital Project Submission and Information System: Misty asked the council what the priorities are for submission. Every year the community's in Alaska submit their capital project requests to the legislature. They are done electronically. They are due by February 4th 2014. Misty presented the projects that were submitted last year and also ideas that she has for this year. There are no limits to how many projects we ask for. The council was asked to prioritize the projects she presented.

After much discussion and voting:

1. Drive Down Ramp
2. Chinook float
3. w/s Wetherford subdivision
4. street paving
5. barge ramp
6. boat storage
7. fish enhancement
8. boat hauler

9. recycling equipment
10. W/S line extension out the road
11. grassy flats

2. **Prince of Wales Hatchery Donation of Smolt for Coffman Cove:**

The hatchery asked if we would like 60,000 extra smolt for this year. The council voiced concerned about extra cost and also the pens being in the way in the busy harbor at that time of year. Misty said we will be getting our normal 60,000 smolt in October which we will release in May. They are offering another 60,000 in June.

Perry made the motion to reject the offer of additional 60,000 smolt. Bryce seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mariana, yes. Randy, yes. Bryce, yes. Cindy, yes. Brian, yes. Perry, yes. **Motion passes 6/0.**

- Mike Burgess offered to talk to outfitters and guides in the community to see if they would offer to pay for this. He thought that they would support this. Randy asked that Mike spread the word around town and see if he could rally support for this program. Jeff Wetton volunteered to help Mike spread the word also.

3. **AML Legislative Conference:**

Discussion: This conference is in February. Southeast Conference is in March. Both will be happening during the legislative session. Randy feels it is important that we get face-to-face contact with our legislators and lobby for our money. We should have one person at each conference. Council agreed that Misty should be at SE Conference because this has been budgeted for. Randy will go to the AML Legislative Conference if it is within the budget.

- Misty pointed out that we overlooked the Library new construction in our CAPSIS list. By a verbal vote of 3/2 the council decided to make the library construction #2 in our proposals, and move everything else down one.

4. **Coffman Cove Personnel Hierarchy Organizational Chart:** We will discuss this at a workshop in February.

5. **RCA Raise or Reduce our Electrical Rates:** Every three to five years every public utility must do a rate study. In 2013 AP&t found they were not within their 12% profit. They will have to file with the regulatory commission of Alaska to raise the rates by 18%. What it equates to for us is 2.5% This is a big increase. If we file a petition, it would help the regulatory commission make a decision. The council agreed that Misty should file a petition.

Public / Council Comment:

Misty: Judy Adrianna is a project manager advocate professional who lobbies in Juneau for new libraries. She has offered to do this for us. Deadline is February 5th. Her services cost \$5,000, but if we split this with Thorne Bay, we could afford it. A council member pointed out that we do have money in our budget for lobbying. Misty said it is up to the council how this money is spent. It was decided to ask Lynn Bateman to go to this lobbying training. The council suggested asking the library to do some fund raisers for projects like this. We will commit to sending two people, one will be Lynn B. Council decided to also send Randy for this training.

Executive Session for (1) personal matters: 10:28PM

End of Executive Session at 10:58PM

Randy made the motion to raise Bill Fitzpatrick's wage from \$17.00 to \$18.50 with a job performance evaluation in 6 months. After a satisfactory job evaluation, then a possible \$1.50 more per hour to \$20.00 per hour. Bryce seconded. Roll Call: Randy, yes. Bryce, yes. Cindy, yes. Brian, yes. Perry, yes. Motion passes 5/0

Executive Session for(2) matters, the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the city: 11:06

End of Executive Session at 11:56

Adjourn: Randy made the motion to adjourn at 11:59 Bryce seconded. All were in favor.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS DAY _____ OF _____ 2014

MAYOR/VICE MAYOR

CLERK, JEAN SODERBERG