

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Sand Point City Council was held Tuesday, April 9, 2019 in the Sand Point Council Chambers. Mayor Glen Gardner Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Glen Gardner Jr.	Mayor	Present
Danny Cumberlidge	Seat A	Present via teleconference
Allan Starnes	Seat B	Present
Shirley Brown	Seat C	Present
Jack Foster Jr.	Seat D	Present
Marita Gundersen	Seat E	Absent - excused
Emil Mobeck	Seat F	Present

A quorum was established.

Staff in attendance:

- Jordan Keeler, Administrator
- Shannon Sommer, City Clerk
- David Stokes, Public Works Director
- Krista Galvin, Finance Officer
- Hal Henning, Police Chief

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor Glen Gardner Jr. requested a motion to approve the agenda.

MOTION: Councilperson Shirley Brown made a motion to approve the agenda.

SECOND: Councilperson Emil Mobeck seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Minutes of the March 12, 2019 Regular Meeting.

MOTION: Councilperson Emil Mobeck made a motion to approve the Minutes of March 12, 2019 Regular Meeting.

SECOND: Councilperson Jack Foster Jr. seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS:

Finance Officer - Krista Galvin

Finance Officer Krista Galvin reported for the month of February 2019 Raw Fish Tax was \$24,948.95 and Sales Tax was \$41,619.24. She included Expenditure and Revenue Guidelines.

Administrator – Jordan Keeler

Administrator Jordan Keeler reported the new dock bid was awarded to Joe Zech’s firm; construction will start this summer. The City did receive about \$45,000 from the State for a new camera system in the harbor.

DPS Police Chief – Hal Henning

DPS Police Chief Hal Henning reported statistical information. They held their Active Shooter Training at the school. He thanked Building Maintenance Kenneth Spjut for clearing out and organizing the fire hall. Investigator Slease continues to keep drugs out of our community. Officer Chandler continues to work on the Tsunami warning

system and made progress so the system will set off testing automatically. The department received a grant for \$46,000 for radio equipment from the State.

Public Works Director - David Stokes

Public Works Director David Stokes reported they hauled two vehicles from the back trails. They welded on the sand truck. They finished the jet drives on the fire boat. They continue to work on the Gehl. They graded and sanded roads. They cleaned the waste oil burners in the city shop. They welded the skidsteer bucket. They fueled buildings. They worked on the recycle center fork lift. They picked up used motor oil from Trident Seafoods Corporation. They plowed snow. They hauled tires from the dump to the harbor for Pauloff Harbor Tribe, about 1,500 so far. Public Works Director Stokes expressed the good work the two Pauloff Harbor Tribe employees on a job well done with the tire project.

Landfill

They worked on the ram on the garbage truck. They picked up around dumpsters. They cleaned up around landfill. ANTHC is here and will do an inspection the next day.

Recycling

The recycling center is running well.

Water and Sewer

They ordered a replacement turbidity meter and chlorine pump. Water/Sewer Operator Dylan Jacobsen went to training and awaiting test results. They fixed the water line in the boat harbor. They turned off delinquent water service accounts.

Harbor Master - Richard Kochuten Sr.

Harbor Master Richard Kochuten Sr.'s report was included in packet.

Student Representative – Brittany Gardner

Student Representative Brittany Gardner away on class trip.

HEARINGS, ORDINANCES, AND RESOLUTIONS:

Administrator Keeler stated this ordinance is to increase rates for water, wastewater and solid waste charges by 10%. This rate will keep us lower than King Cove, Dillingham, Kodiak, etc.

1. Ordinance 2019-03: Water/Sewer/Refuse Rate Amendment – 1st Reading

MOTION: Councilperson Jack Foster Jr. made a motion to put Ordinance 2019-03: Water/Sewer/Refuse Rate Amendment on the floor for 1st Reading

SECOND: Councilperson Emil Mobeck seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

2. Ordinance 2019-04: Harbor Rates Amendment – 1st Reading

Administrator Keeler stated is currently not self-sustaining and requires an annual subsidy from the general fund to balance out. These rates will become effective on July 1 for transient users and any new permanent users. Mayor Gardner stated the increases will not affect gear shed lockers, van or any type of storage.

MOTION: Councilperson Shirley Brown made a motion to put Ordinance 2019-04: Harbor Rates Amendment on the floor for 1st Reading.

SECOND: Councilperson Allan Starnes seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

Dick Jacobsen stated he recommends the council take a close look at what they are asking of fishermen, and the council to postpone the rate increase until after next year. Mayor Gardner stated the rate increase will not come into effect until July 1. Councilperson Foster stated that the city has aging equipment and the city will have major

infrastructure problems and how to pay for it. Mayor Gardner stated Joe Zech would like to clean up Sand Point's scrap metal problem in the fall.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. VIP Taxes & Consulting, LLC Proposal.

Administrator Keeler stated he recommended approval of the proposal.

MOTION: Councilperson Shirley Brown made a motion to accept the VIP Taxes & Consulting, LLC Proposal.

SECOND: Councilperson Jack Foster Jr. seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ingrid Cumberlidge commented she sent a letter to the council. She supports the police department but there is a situation where police officers come and go on a regular basis and there is not a consistent relationship with the community. She described an incident where an officer entered her home during a nearby 911 emergency call. She commented she is concerned about taking our current 911 service out of Sand Point and basing it in Valdez, where the 911 operator would not have any information where to go on an emergency call. Councilperson Mobeck commented he would like local dispatch certified, hopefully something we get better at, he hoped we could hire a fulltime officer living in Sand Point but it is too expensive for them to live off the road system, and being an ambulance driver we are looking at the safety issues, make it quicker and make it better. Councilperson Brown commented we've had a difficult time keeping officers here, our current officers are seasoned officers and they are trying to get to know our community and are doing the best they can. Ingrid Cumberlidge commented she hopes there will be more interaction with the officers and community. Mayor Gardner commented the reaction he has gotten from the public is nothing but good, and the officers look like they are trying hard. Councilperson Starnes commented he wants to make what we have now better and we will learn from this. Public Works Director Stokes commented it is a nice feeling to see an officer out and about following the school bus in the mornings. Edee Jacobsen commented it was nice to see the alders cut last summer and if a vehicle works and has a long life and adds to the community that would be nice, if not, it is more scrap metal we have to worry about on this island.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

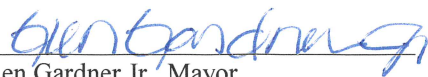
Councilperson Jack Foster Jr. commented it is hard to get reliable help with emergency services, it is a very hard job to fill. Councilperson Brown thanked the public for pointing out the issues and attending the meeting. Mayor Gardner commented it goes a long way when people attend meetings and we don't know anything unless you attend. Councilperson Mobeck commented it was nice to see a letter and they are working on it, and hope to keep doing the best they can.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Councilperson Emil Mobeck made a motion to adjourn.

SECOND: Councilperson Allan Starnes seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 PM.


Glen Gardner Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:


Shannon Sommer, City Clerk