

CALL TO ORDER:

The special regular meeting of the Sand Point City Council was held Tuesday, January 14, 2020 telephonically. Mayor Glen Gardner Jr. called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

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

A quorum was established.

Staff in attendance:

Jordan Keeler, Administrator

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

MOTION: Councilperson Jack Foster, Jr. made a motion to approve the agenda.

SECOND: Emil Mobeck seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS:

None

HEARINGS, ORDINANCES, AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution 20-08: A RESOLUTION OF THE SAND POINT CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZNG THE MAYOR TO DECLARE A LOCAL EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTIONS TO REDUCE THE IMPACT AND SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS KNOWN AS COVID-19 THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF SAND POINT

Administrator Keeler stated that there are a lot of unknowns at this point and more cases are reporting daily. He noted the threat to the commercial fishing industry due to the large non-resident workforce. He stated that declaring a disaster would allow the City to seek compensation for incurred costs, but it is not known if there could be compensation for lost revenue. Administrator Keeler did not think the City had the authority to issue a curfew or impose restrictions, and did not want to be the test case, but urged that the City encourage common sense behavior.

Councilperson Jack Foster Jr. noted his concern about the large amount of Seattle-area workers who would be arriving within the next few weeks. Councilperson Allan Starnes would like to see the City work with EATs and Trident. Councilperson Gunderson wants the City to urge people, especially teens and young adults, to take precautions. Councilperson Danny Cumberlidge expressed his concern about the arrival of outside workers and urges the city to form a task force. Mayor Gardner, Jr. indicated the Aleutians East Borough had formed one and the City was active with that. He also stated that he will meet with Mayor Osterback – AEB as well as with Trident. Councilperson Emil Mobeck expressed concern at the out of state workers and mandatory quarantine and asked what the City would do about police arriving from Outside. Mayor Gardner, Jr. indicated that the City lacked teeth to enforce a quarantine but the City was nearing a plan for the police department. Councilperson Jack Foster requested the City work with KSDP to spread information and Mayor Gardner, Jr. stated a PSA would be a good

idea. Councilperson Marita Gunderson reiterated that it was important for teens and young adults to take this seriously.

Armand Audette, Trident plant manager, joined the meeting and stated that the harbor house is key to spreading information. He said that Trident is committed to prevent the spread of the virus and no cases had been reported yet. He indicated that Trident has a plan and has multilingual information hand outs and posters. Mayor Gardner, Jr. said that he has seen the plan and it is quite good. Mr. Audette reiterated that Trident has lots of resources and to please reach out if anything is needed.

MOTION: Councilperson Jack Foster Jr. made a motion to approve Resolution 20-08: A RESOLUTION OF THE SAND POINT CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZNG THE MAYOR TO DECLARE A LOCAL EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTIONS TO REDUCE THE IMPACT AND SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS KNOWN AS COVID-19 THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF SAND POINT

SECOND: Councilperson Emil Mobeck seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Audette stated that he and Trident are standing by to assist.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilperson Emil Mobeck asked what Peter Pan is doing to address the situation. Councilperson Danny Cumberlidge urged the City and partners to be proactive. Councilperson Marita Gunderson urged the City to pass on information. Councilperson Allan Starnes underlined the need for a task force. Councilperson Jack Foster stressed the importance of the youth getting educated.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Councilperson Emil Mobeck made a motion to adjourn.

SECOND: Councilperson Allan Starnes seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

ATTEST:


Shannon Sommer, City Clerk


Glen Gardner Jr. Mayor