

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Sand Point City Council was held Tuesday, October 10, 2023 in the City Chambers and by Zoom Audio Conference. Mayor James Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

James Smith	Mayor	Present
Austin Roof	Seat A	Present- Joined at 7:06 pm.
Allan Starnes	Seat B	Present-Telephonically
Amy Eubank	Seat C	Present
Jack Foster Jr.	Seat D	Absent/Excused
Marita Gundersen	Seat E	Present
Arlene Gundersen	Seat F	Present

A quorum was established.

Staff in attendance:

- Debi Schmit, Administrator
- Kurtis Gundersen, Finance Officer –Telephonically
- Jade Gundersen, City Clerk
- Richard Lowery, Police Department-Captain –Telephonically
- Julius Karlsen, Public Works Director
- Dylan Jacobsen, Water & Sewer Supervisor

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor James Smith requested a motion to approve the agenda.

MOTION: Council Member Marita Gundersen made a motion to approve the agenda.

SECOND: Council Member Arlene Gundersen seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION

City Clerk Jade Gundersen reported the results of the 2023 City of Sand Point General Election Results held on October 3, 2023, with James Smith for Mayor, Jani Gundersen for City Council Seat B, and Jack Foster Jr. for City Council Seat D.

MOTION: Council Member Arlene Gundersen made a motion to certify the results of the 2023 General Election.

SECOND: Council Member Marita Gundersen seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

Allan Starnes congratulated everyone and stated he was honored to serve Sand Point.

Council Member Arlene Gundersen thanked Allan Starnes for his service.

OATH OF OFFICE

James Smith swore in for his position as Mayor.

Jani Gundersen swore in for her position as City Council Seat B.

Council Member Austin Roof was added to the meeting at 7:06 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

MOTION: Council Member Marita Gundersen made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2023.

SECOND: Council Member Austin Roof seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS:

Finance Officer – Kurtis Gundersen

Finance Officer Kurtis Gundersen reported that for the month of August, the City received \$37,886.59 in Raw Fish Tax and \$116,018.19 in Sales Tax.

Administrator – Debi Schmit

Administrator Debi Schmit read her report included in the packet. She added that she wants to get in depth on the budget and work on strategic planning in the future after the holidays.

Police Chief – Jeff Thompson

Captain Richard Lowery read the report included in the packet. He added that a new Officer, Rob Stumph, was hired and recruited from Alaska, and Edith Meija was hired as the Office Manager. In addition, he added that the Task Force Officer Position and team seized 75 pounds of illegal narcotics for the month of September.

EMS Director

EMS Director Denise Mobeck's report was included in the packet. Mayor James Smith stated Denise Mobeck was the Temporary EMS Director and that we are accepting applications and hoping to fill the position soon.

Council Member Marita Gundersen asked the status of certified crew for the ambulance while we are working on hiring for the director position since we have only one BMT-1. Or whether EATs can be worked with us until we have a permanent person. Mayor James Smith stated that the clinic staff was notified of the shortage.

Council Member Jani Gundersen suggested talking to the EATs CEO.

Fire Chief- Jason Bjornstad

Fire Chief Jason Bjornstad's report was included in the packet.

Public Works Director – Julius Karlsen

Public Works Director Julius Karlsen read his report included in the packet.

Water/Sewer Director- Dylan Jacobsen

Water/Sewer Director Dylan Jacobsen read his report included in the packet.

Harbor Master – Allen Kuchenoff Jr.

Harbor Master Allen Kuchenoff Jr.'s report was included in the packet.

HEARINGS, ORDINANCES, AND RESOLUTIONS:

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. AML Annual Conference & Pacific Marine Expo
Council Members Amy Eubank and Arlene Gundersen expressed interest in attending the AML Annual Conference.

Mayor James Smith recommended the City attending the Pacific Marine Expo with the possibility of bringing the Harbor Master.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Council Member Marita Gundersen made a motion to move into Executive Session at 7:31 pm.
SECOND: Council Member Arlene Gundersen seconded the motion.

MOTION: Council Member Marita Gundersen made a motion to move out of Executive Session at 7:55 pm.
SECOND: Council Member Amy Eubank seconded the motion.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council Member Austin Roof welcomed Jani Gundersen as the new council member and thanked Allan Starnes for serving Sand Point. He thanked Dylan Jacobsen and Public Works for all of their hard work.

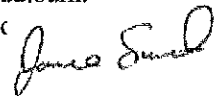
Council Member Arlene Gundersen welcomed Jani Gundersen to City Council and thanked Allan Starnes for serving on the council. She also congratulated Mayor James Smith and Council Member Jack Foster Jr. for their re-election.

Mayor James Smith thanked Allan Starnes, welcomed back Jack Foster Jr., and welcomed Jani Gundersen to City Council. He recommended the next meeting to be held Monday, November 27, 2023, and not having a regular December meeting. The council discussed the idea of trying 6:30 pm as a meeting time.

ADJOURNMENT:

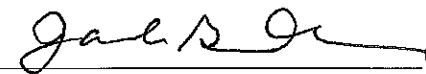
MOTION: Council Member Arlene Gundersen made a motion to adjourn.
SECOND: Council Member Marita Gundersen seconded the motion

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.



James Smith Sr., Mayor

ATTEST:



Jade Gundersen, City Clerk