

**WHITTIER CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2012
7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
P-12 BUILDING**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Lunceford called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. OPENING CEREMONY: Mayor Lunceford led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL:

A. Council Members Present: Jerry Vandergriff, Lester Lunceford, Dan Blair, Mary Brenneman, Dave Pinguoch

B. Council Members Absent: Shawni Phillips and Becky Cotner

Mayor Lunceford stated that included in the council packets is an email from Councilor Shawni Phillips asking to be excused from tonight's meeting.

Mayor Lunceford also stated that Councilor Becky Cotner was not able to attend tonight's meeting due to illness.

MOTION: Jerry Vandergriff made a motion to excuse Shawni Phillips from tonight's meeting.

SECOND: Dave Pinguoch seconded the motion.

VOTE: Jerry Vandergriff: Yes, Dave Pinguoch: Yes, Mary Brenneman: Yes, Dan Blair: Yes, Lester Lunceford: Yes.

MOTION PASSED 5-0.

MOTION: Jerry Vandergriff made a motion to excuse Becky Cotner from tonight's meeting.

SECOND: Mary Brenneman seconded the motion.

VOTE: Jerry Vandergriff: Yes, Mary Brenneman: Yes, Dave Pinguoch: Yes, Dan Blair: Yes, Lester Lunceford: Yes.

MOTION PASSED 5-0.

C. Excused Absences: Shawni Phillips and Becky Cotner

D. Administration Present: Brenda Krol, City Clerk and Bob Prunella, City Manager

Others present included: Scott Korbe, Sue Miller, Fred Whittingham, John Norris, Marilynn Heddell, Pete Heddell, Dyanna Pratt

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None

5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

MOTION: Jerry Vandergriff made a motion to approve the regular meeting agenda as written.

SECOND: Dave Pinquoch seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

6. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. Mayor Report – Lester Lunceford

Mayor Lunceford presented Vice Mayor Jerry Vandergriff with a plaque on behalf of the City of Whittier in appreciation for his many years of dedicated service to the City on both the Council and the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Council, administration and audience applauded.

B. Vice Mayor Report – Jerry Vandergriff

Vice Mayor Vandergriff stated that it has been a pleasure serving the City of Whittier and he thanked everyone for allowing him to be a part of it.

Mayor Lunceford stated that there have been some production companies out here exploring the possibility of doing a reality show in Whittier.

Mayor Lunceford stated that about a week ago there was a camera crew out for a couple of days doing some filming around Whittier so we may be seeing or hearing from them again.

Mayor Lunceford said “I told them that I personally do not want to be involved in anything unless it is going to be something positive for the community.”

Mayor Lunceford stated that he will keep everyone posted if he hears anything more regarding this.

7. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

A. City Manager Report – Bob Prunella

See city manager's written report in original council packet.

Bob Prunella touched briefly on his written report and welcomed any questions.

Bob Prunella stated that the City had to foreclose on the Buckner Building so we now own it.

Bob Prunella announced that the March of Dimes is no longer going to sponsor the Walk to Whittier so it has been discontinued.

Bob Prunella stated that the City's appraisers will be here in October to re appraise a lot of real and personal property that have come up due on a five year cycle.

B. Directors Reports

▪ Finance Report – July 2012 – Sally Schug

See July 2012 monthly financial report in original council packet.

▪ **Harbor – Sue Miller**

See written report in original council packet

Sue Miller touched briefly on her written report and welcomed any questions.

▪ **Public Safety – Dave Schofield**

None

▪ **Public Works – Scott Korbe**

Scott gave a brief verbal report and welcomed and questions

C. Commission Reports

▪ **Planning**

None

▪ **Port and Harbor**

See original council packet for minutes from the last Port and Harbor meeting.

8. CITIZENS' COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS NOT SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

None

9. CONSENT AGENDA

None

10. PUBLIC HEARING (NON-ORDINANCE)

None

11. PRESENTATIONS

None

12. ORDINANCES

A. Introduction (first reading)

1. #583-12 – An ordinance amending WMC Chapter 2.70 to repeal existing code provisions pertaining to personnel

MOTION: Jerry Vandergriff made a motion to introduce ordinance #583-12, setting the public hearing date for October 16, 2012.

SECOND: Dave Pinguoch seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

2. #584-12 – An ordinance repealing and reenacting WMC Chapter 10.24 Stopping or Parking

MOTION: Jerry Vandergriff made a motion to introduce ordinance #584-12, setting the public hearing date for October 16, 2012.

SECOND: Dave Pinguoch seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

B. Public Hearings (second reading)

1. #581-12 – An ordinance approving an amendment to the CY 2012 budget of revenues and appropriations as necessary for the budget.

MOTION: Jerry Vandergriff made a motion to open the public hearing on ordinance #581-12.

SECOND: Dave Pinguoch seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

Hearing no public comment Mayor Lunceford entertained a motion to close the public hearing.

MOTION: Jerry Vandergriff made a motion to close the public hearing on ordinance #581-12.

SECOND: Dave Pinguoch seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Jerry Vandergriff made a motion to adopt ordinance #581-12,

SECOND: Dave Pinguoch seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

2. #582-12 – An ordinance amending WMC Title 2, Chapter 2.06 to provide procedures for declaring a write in candidacy and to prohibit the use of stickers in municipal elections.

MOTION: Jerry Vandergriff made a motion to open the public hearing on ordinance #582-12.

SECOND: Dave Pinguoch seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

Hearing no public comment Mayor Lunceford entertained a motion to close the public hearing.

MOTION: Jerry Vandergriff made a motion to close the public hearing on ordinance #582-12.

SECOND: Dave Pinguoch seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Jerry Vandergriff made a motion to adopt ordinance #582-12.

SECOND: Dave Pinguoch seconded the motion.

VOTE: Jerry Vandergriff: No, Dave Pinguoch: Yes, Mary Brenneman: No, Dan Blair: Yes, Lester Lunceford: No

MOTION FAILED 3-2.

13. RESOLUTIONS

1. #12-2012- A resolution awarding RFP for the repairs to damaged pilings and west gangway at the Whittier Boat Harbor

MOTION: Jerry Vandergriff made a motion to adopt resolution #12-2012.

SECOND: Dave Pinguoch seconded the motion.

VOTE: Jerry Vandergriff: Yes, Dave Pinguoch: Yes, Mary Brenneman: Yes, Dan Blair: Yes, Lester Lunceford: Yes

Motion passed 5-0.

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Smitty's Cove Marine Park, VonWichman and associated properties**
- B. Whittier Municipal Code Title 2**
- C. Harbor Rebuild Phase II**
- D. Shotgun Cove Land Development**
- E. P-12 Roof**
- F. Warranty Deed from CIRI**
- G. Buckner Building**

Bob Prunella touched briefly on some of the unfinished business, he stated that the City hasn't moved on it yet but will need to put out RFP's to get someone to go out there and do some surveying on the land out at Shotgun Cove.

Bob Prunella stated that after the land is surveyed then they can get it appraised and then put some of it up for sale.

Vice Mayor Vandergriff stated that the council already approved \$300,000 towards Shotgun Cove land development.

Bob Prunella stated that the City has some emergency management money to use for repairs to the P-12 Roof.

Bob Prunella stated that the City did get a warranty deed from CIRI Alaska Tourism Corporation and we are now the proud owners of the dolphins and steel trestles that are down where the CIRI dock used to be.

15. NEW BUSINESS

A. Surplus Public Safety Vehicles

Bob Prunella stated that the city has a fire engine, a snorkel truck and an old blue ambulance that administration would like to surplus to the Alaska Transportation Museum in Wasilla and they are willing to take them.

Bob Prunella stated that this does not require council approval because the values are below \$2,500 but he put it on the agenda to make council aware of it.

16. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

None

17. CITIZENS' DISCUSSION

John Norris stated that the North Pacific Fisheries Commission will be meeting in Anchorage in November and December and he suggested that the city send a representative to attend the meetings to fight for our salmon.

John Norris stated that it is really important to our community.

18. COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSE TO CITIZENS' COMMENTS

None

19. COUNCIL DIRECTION TO CITY MANAGER

None

20. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

21. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mary Brenneman made a motion to adjourn at 7:44 pm.

SECOND: Jerry Vandergriff seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

Attest:

Brenda Krol
City Clerk

Lester Lunceford
Mayor