

City of Hoonah

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City Council Meeting
December 8, 2016
7:00pm in Council Chambers

- I. **Call to Order- 7:00pm**
- II. **Roll Call-** M. Erickson-present, A. Wilson-present, S. McConnell-present, G. Skaflestad-present, E. Phillips-present, S. Savland-present. Quorum present. Mayor Skaflestad, Clerk McKillican, Administrator Gray and members of the community also present.
- III. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. **Agenda Revisions-** Councilmember Erickson pointed out that Ordinance 16-12-15 shouldn't be the final reading that it should be the introduction. Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Skaflestad to change Item 1 of 9 to read Introduction of Ordinance 16-12-15.
Councilmember Erickson also wanted Ordinance 16-12-13 removed from the agenda and sent back to committee since it the council just received it and would like a chance to look it over. Mayor stated that this can be done when we get to the item on the agenda and no need for that part of the agenda to be revised. Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Skaflestad to change Item 1 of 9 to read Introduction of Ordinance 16-12-15. Passed unanimously by polled vote. Motion Carried.
- V. **Approval of Consent Agenda –** Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Phillips for the approval of consent agenda. Roll Call Vote: A. Wilson-yes, M. Erickson-yes, G. Skaflestad-yes, E. Phillips-yes, S. Savland-yes, S. McConnell-yes. 6 yes 0 no. Motion Carried.
 - I. **Minutes Reports –** Special CC Nov 18, 2016; CC Nov 22, 2016
- VI. **Reports**
 - A. **Mayor's Report-** Met with volunteer fire department last night. Great bunch of people. Paul Comolli is interim fire chief. Department is shorthanded and under equipped. Director of Public Safety working on getting new bunker gear. Need new radios and the cost is \$50, 000 to do that. One truck is down but the part is on the way. Talked about recruitment outreach and fundraising. Ask the council to remind the community the importance of our volunteer fire department. Didn't get the Mayors letter done in time to send out with utility bills. Should be mailed out in the next day or two. Looking forward to our joint schoolboard meeting on 12/13. Back in phase 1 of the water project we receive an \$880,000 EPA grant and a \$1.6 million DEC grant. The DEC funded at 85% and a portion of the EPA grant was used as the match. There was a residual portion that was above and beyond the costs that DEC would allow us to use as our match in this phase of the water project. When it was looked into the money has suddenly turned out to be spent and not accounted for. Asked for it to be researched and there is a possibility it could be returned. Hoonah Economic Development Committee will be meeting after the new year.
 - B. **Administrators Report-** Budget has been taking up most of the time. Annual travel lift inspection and they only one small leak but overall the machine is in good condition. Working on hiring a new Harbor Assistant. Have 4 good candidates that the Mayor is going to set up interviews for next week. Picked a company to do our EMS billing. They charge \$25-\$35 per trip depending on number of calls. In the Harbor Board meeting we decided on a rate increase for our lift fees and storage fees. R & M working on a few things for the city- Pathway extension for ISP to keep pedestrians out of the roadway, cost estimate for sidewalk and guardrail in tunnel bluffs area and a concept subdivision for the city. Water line project working until December 17th weather permitting.
 - C. **Budget and Committee Reports- Budget Committee:** Annual budget discussion. **Harbor Board:** harbor consider advertising nationally but the cost was 900 per month so we asked

Sheri to check on the cost of a smaller ad. Considering switching the metering at the harbor over to IPEC meters and takes that off that responsibility from the harbor. Would like to put a covered area up for people that do work on boats. **P & Z:** No objections to the use of the rifle range/White Alice are for the internet use.

D. Project Updates – EPA compliance work at the tunnel project was inspected and only have about 10 more hours of work. Final phase of water transmission line is ahead of schedule.

VII. Communications/Public Appearances

VIII. Public Hearing

I. Final Reading of Ordinance 16-12-15 A Non-Code Ordinance of the City of Hoonah Adopting the 2017 Budget – No public hearing. Item removed from agenda due to revision.

IX. Ordinances and Resolutions

I. Introduction of Ordinance 16-12-15 A Non-Code Ordinance of the City of Hoonah Adopting the 2017 Budget – Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Phillips to introduce Ordinance 16-12-15 as written. Roll Call Vote: S. McConnell-yes, S. Savland-yes, E. Phillips-yes, G. Skaflestad-yes, M. Erickson-yes, A. Wilson-yes. 6 yes 0 no. Motion Carried.

II. Resolution 16-12-12 A Resolution of the City of Hoonah Adopting EMS Billing Policy For Transport- Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Savland to adopt Resolution 16-12-12 as written. Roll Call Vote: A. Wilson-yes, G. Skaflestad-yes, M. Erickson-yes, E. Phillips-yes, S. Savland-yes, S. McConnell-yes. 6 yes 0 no. Motion Carried.

III. Resolution 16-12-13 A Resolution of the City of Hoonah Adopting A Hoonah Marine Industrial Rate Schedule for Calendar Fiscal Year 2017- Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Skaflestad to adopt Resolution 16-12-13 as written. Roll Call Vote: G. Skaflestad-yes, E. Phillips-yes, M. Erickson-yes, S. Savland-yes, S. McConnell-yes, A. Wilson-yes. 6 yes 0 no. Motion Carried.

IV. Introduction of Ordinance 16-12-13 An Ordinance of the City of Hoonah Authorizing A Sales Tax Proposition of 1% Increase To Begin March 1, 2017- Moved by Erickson, Seconded by McConnell to introduce Ordinance 16-12-13 as written. Discussion: Council discussed the wording and changes that needed to be made. Council agreed that it needed to be a little clearer for the public. The city isn't receiving the federal and state funding we were receiving and the public needs to know that this is causing a huge budget shortfall. Asked that the Mayor still set up a workshop with the local government specialist pertaining to this topic. Roll Call Vote: A. Wilson-no, M. Erickson-no, G. Skaflestad-no, E. Phillips-no, S. Savland-no, S. McConnell-yes. 2 yes 4 no. Motion Fails.

Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Skaflestad to amend Ordinance 16-12-13 to include "for the City of Hoonah and its need to provide for Education and Department of Public Safety, which includes fire, EMS and Police". Roll Call Vote: A. Wilson-yes, M. Erickson-no, G. Skaflestad-yes, E. Phillips-no, S. Savland-yes, S. McConnell-yes 4 yes 0 no. Motion Carried.

Moved by McConnell, Seconded by Skaflestad for Ordinance 16-12-13 to state that 1% sales tax to go to the general fund from which the City of Hoonah provides for Education and Police Protection. Polled Vote: 4 yes 2 no. Motion Carried.

V. Introduction of Ordinance 16-12-14 An Ordinance of the City of Hoonah Adopting Alcohol And Tobacco Tax-Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Phillips to introduce Ordinance 16-12-14 as written. Roll Call Vote: A. Wilson-no, M. Erickson-no, G. Skaflestad-yes. E. Phillips-yes, S. Savland-yes, S. McConnell-yes. 4 yes 2 no. Motion Carried.

X. Old Business

I. Employee Handbook Changes; Nepotism Policy- Moved by Phillips, Seconded by McConnell to adopt Employee Handbook regarding the nepotism policy. Discussion: Council will approve any family member that is hired to work under another family

member and make sure the nepotism form is completed. Councilmember McConnell suggested that instead of the Human Resource Committee be the reviewing body it should state City Council. Council agreed to that change. Roll Call Vote: S. Savland-yes, E. Phillips-yes, G. Skaflestad-yes, M. Erickson-yes, A. Wilson-yes, S. McConnell-yes. 6 yes 0 no. Motion Carried.

II. HIA Tunnel Bluffs Agreement- Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Skaflestad to accept agreement as written. Roll Call Vote: A. Wilson-yes, M. Erickson-yes, G. Skaflestad-yes, E. Phillips-yes, S. Savland-yes, S. McConnell-yes. 6 yes 0 no. Motion Carried

XI. New Business

I. Cannery Road Sewer Project; \$7,500.00- Moved by Savland, Seconded by Phillips to allocate \$7,500.00 from excise tax to the cannery road project. Roll Call Vote: M. Erickson-yes, G. Skaflestad-yes, E. Phillips-yes, S. Savland-yes, S. McConnell-yes. 6 yes 0 no Motion Carried.

II. Bulk Fuel Funds Transfer Request- Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Skaflestad to approve the transfer of bulk fuel funds in the amount of \$32, 400. Passed unanimously by polled vote.

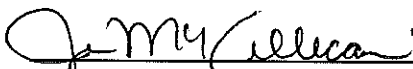
XII. Council Comment-Councilmember Wilson would like the council the receive lobbyist reports so that they can see where the money we are paying him is being used. Would also like more information on the tax options and proposition so that they can educate the public. Appreciate all the public comments and all the work Dennis has done on the tax propositions.

XIII. Adjourn-9:32pm

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 12th DAY OF JANUARY, 2017


Kenneth K. Skaflestad, Mayor

ATTEST:


Jennifer McKillican, City Clerk