



City of Hoonah  
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**City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**March 9, 2017**  
**7:00pm in Council Chambers**

- I. Call to Order- 7:00 pm**
- II. Roll Call -**A. Wilson-present, M. Erickson-present, S. McConnell- present (telephonically), E. Phillips-present, G. Skaflestad-present, S. Savland-present. Quorum present. Mayor Skaflestad, Administrator Gray, Clerk McKillican and other members of the community also present.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. Agenda Revisions-** Mayor asked council to add minutes from 2/16/17. Council approved request unanimously.
- V. Approval of Consent Agenda –** Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Phillips to approve the consent agenda with the addition of Special CC Council Minutes from 2-16-17. Passed unanimously by polled vote.
  - I. Minutes Reports –** CC February 9, 2017, Spec. CC February 16, 2017
- VI. Reports**
  - A. Mayor’s Report-** Raw water main project up and running. Hired an additional side crew to expedite and get ahead of schedule. Funding for sewer treatment plant was safe from cuts and is fully funded. ANTHC needs to provide a business place and the Administrator will be working with them on that.
  - B. Administrators Report-** Travelift is operational again. We did have a boat sink in the harbor due to the snow storm. The Cyrus is leaving town next week, still owe us money but we will go after them with a lien if we have to. PDC surveyors were in town to look at Coho Subdivision. Appraiser is lined up. Hopefully by the end of March we will have 12 commercial lots to sell. Visitors guide is 90% done. Gordon Greenwald is working on our welcome signs and will hopefully be done within a month.
  - C. Budget and Committee Reports-** Councilmember Wilson- Budget looks good. Everyone in line. Revenue is low but that is typical for this time of year. Going to close for 4 months due to budget.
  - D. Project Updates-** None
- VII. Communications/Public Appearances-** Chris Ruschmann/SnoCloud: Updated the council and community on internet service in Hoonah. Will be offering broadband late June/early July. His company has a vested interest in Hoonah and the people here. Hired a part-time employee in Hoonah and have reserved bandwidth for the school.
- VIII. Public Hearing- None**
- IX. Ordinances and Resolutions**
  - I. Resolution 17-03-08 A Resolution of the Hoonah City Council Adopting the Gym/Pool Fee Schedule for Calendar Fiscal Year 2017-** Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Savland to adopt Resolution 17-03-08. Roll Call Vote: G. Skaflestad-yes, E. Phillips-yes, S. Savland-yes, S. McConnell-yes, A. Wilson-yes, M. Erickson-yes. 6 yes 0 no. Motion Carried.
  - II. Resolution 17-03-10 A Resolution of the Hoonah City Council Call for Effective and Affordable Detoxification and In- Patient Treatment Facilities for Addicts Residing in Hoonah-** Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Phillips to adopt Resolution 17-03-10. 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.

**III. Introduction of Ordinance 17-03-02 An Ordinance of the City of Hoonah Repealing Title 3 Section 3.04.020 in its Entirety from the Hoonah Municipal Code-** Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Phillips for the introduction of Ordinance 17-03-02 as written. Roll Call Vote: A. Wilson-yes, S. Savland-yes, E. Phillips-yes, G. Skaflestad-yes, S. McConnell-yes, M. Erickson-yes. 6 yes 0 no. Motion Carried.

**X. New Business**

**I. Adjudication Board for Megan Blades; Aggressive Dog** – Megan Blades presented her case to the council regarding her dog being deemed aggressive. Discussion: Council had discussion and asked Megan Blades questions regarding the issue. Mayor explained to council that a yes vote would reverse the decision and a no vote would deny the appeal. Shall the City Council accept and approve the appeal. Roll call Vote: A. Wilson-yes, M. Erickson-yes, G. Skaflestad-no, E. Phillips-yes, S. Savland-no, S. McConnell-no. 3 yes 3 no. Tie vote. Mayor Skaflestad voted yes. Appeal accepted.

8:17 pm- Recess

8:25 pm- Back in session

**II. Hoonah Community Fisheries Corp. Bank Account** - Administrator Gray explained the Fisheries Corp. would like their own bank account in order to make purchases, to include quotas. Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Wilson to move the Hoonah Fisheries Corp. money to their own bank account with signers being elected chair and a city official. Roll Call Vote: E. Phillips-yes, G. Skaflestad-yes, M. Erickson-yes, A. Wilson-yes, S. Savland-yes, S. McConnell-yes. 6 yes 0 no. Motion Carried.

**III. Funding Approval for Cannery Road Pedestrian Improvements-** Moved by Skaflestad, Seconded by Phillips to approve the funding for the Cannery Road Pedestrian Improvements Project. 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.

**IV. Funding Approval for \$15, 000 to print Visitors Guide-** Administrator Gray gave an updated amount of \$16, 700 which will include the shipping cost. Moved by Phillips, Seconded by Erickson to approve 2017 Visitors guide printing request in the amount of \$16, 700. 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.

**V. Funding Approval for Benches; Excise tax** – Administrator Gray explained that this is to update the community benches. Bases need to be replaced due to rot. Gordon Greenwald is going to repair them. Moved by Erickson, Seconded by Skaflestad to approve funding from excise tax to refurbish and refresh benches. Roll Call Vote: m. Erickson-yes, A. Wilson-yes, G. Skaflestad-yes, S. Savland-yes, S. McConnell-yes, E. Phillips-yes.

**VI. Land Lease Request; Atlas Tower-** Mayor Skaflestad explained that this is an independent company who approached the city. Found a desirable location on an extreme easterly location on Pitt Island. Recommended to the council that it be forwarded to P & Z. Moved by Savland, Seconded by Phillips to move the Atlas Tower land lease request to P&Z.

Councilmember Skaflestad announced a conflict of interest due to a business relationship with a competing company and would like to abstain from voting. Mayor Skaflestad ruled that he recognized the conflict of interest and allowed him to abstain from voting due to the conflict.

Roll Call Vote: M. Erickson-yes, A. Wilson-yes, S. McConnell-yes, S. Savland-yes, E. Phillips-yes. 5 yes 0 no. Motion Carried.

Moved by Wilson, Seconded by Erickson to move land lease request for Atlas tower to CAAW. Passed unanimously by polled vote.

**VII. Authorization for Grant to get Broadband; Joint Venture Byte Communication** – Mayor Skaflestad explained that he would like to pursue a grant to help companies with the upfront cost of bringing broadband to Hoonah and help build a road in to for a Byte networking tower that would help them with the end cost for customers.

Moved by Wilson, Seconded by Phillips authorization for grant to get broadband.  
Discussion: Council discussed the pros and cons of getting a grant to help.  
Moved by Savland, Seconded by Phillips to lay on the table. Motion Carried by polled vote.

- XI. Council Comment- None
- XII. Adjourn- 9:33 pm

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 13th DAY OF APRIL, 2017



**Kenneth K. Skaflestad, Mayor**

ATTEST:

  
**Jennifer McKillican, City Clerk**