

Minutes City Council Meeting April 11, 1960 at NC Theater

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jackson.

Present-Christiansen Absent-Miller

-Guinn
-Hopstad
-Jackson
-Persons

Persons moved that Oscar Anvil with the next highest vote on the last election replace Sirilo. Christiansen seconded. 4 ayes. 0 naves.

Guinn offered her resignation from the Council and this was accepted with regret.

Persons moved that Carpenter with the next highest vote from the previous Council replace Guinn. Christiansen seconded. 4 ayes. 0 naves.

The minutes for the regular March meeting were read and approved after the word drilled was substituted for dug pertaining to Mr. Nicholson's proposed well. The minutes for the special meeting on sanitation on March 17th were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was given by the Mayor in which she stated that since Mr. Jones is not a CPA the question must be raised about proper auditing of the city books. Nicholson suggested that our bank be asked to refer a CPA to us. Persons moved that after current City bills are paid the books be turned over to a CPA recommended by the City's bank. Carpenter seconded. 5 ayes 0 naves.

A letter from Lilly Schmidt was read applying for the position of City Clerk. Persons moved that the City hire a City Clerk. Christiansen seconded. 5 ayes 0 naves. ~~The position is to entail the present treasurer job. A trial period of six months for the job after which the job is to be reevaluated. A job description is to be written out and this is to be posted with requests for applications. The salary is to be 50 dollars per month.~~

Persons moved that the position entail the present treasurer job, be limited to a 6 month period, after which time the job is to be reevaluated, the salary to be 50 dollars per month. Anvil seconded. 5 ayes 0 naves.

The Mayor and Finance Chairman will pay the current bills in the meantime.

Correspondence was read, including letters from the Dept. of Aviation. This is to be passed on to the Lands for Public Recreation Committee. A letter from the Alaska Court System regarding leasing a room from the City in the jail, a letter from the Dept. of Revenue stating that 4th class cities cannot receive any part of the State taxes, a letter from the Dept of Health and Welfare with a suggested contract with the State concerning the jail. In this letter there is no mention of who pays for the guards for State prisoners though Com. Winsor verbally informed the Mayor that the State would do so. This should be added to the contract. A letter is to be written to Com. Winsor about this. This and a letter from the Marshall's office with a suggested contract between the City and State are to be turned over to the Jail committee for review and suggestions by the next regular meeting. Also the Jail committee is to be asked to work out the question of meals at the jail, possibly putting the meals out for bid.

Health Committee-no report.

Parking Committee-no report.

A resolution was read by Persons in which it was resolved that the slary of the Chief of Police be raised from \$500.00 a month to \$600.00. Persons moved that the resolution be accepted as read. Hopstad seconded. Vote was polled.

Anvil-abstained

Carpenter-aye

Christiansen-aye

Hopstad-aye

Persons-aye. The motion passed.

Persons moved that the increase in salary be effective starting with the month of April. Carpenter seconded. 5 ayes. 0 naves.

The Telephone Agreement and Telephone Ordinance were read. Discussion was held with the floor. During the discussion Schmidt suggested regulations for height of wires in town. The Mayor appointed Schmidt Chairman of a committee for wire recommendations, also Christiansen and Bob McClean. *+ in P.O.*

Persons read a motion for the Mayor stating that the secretary be instructed to notify the Bethel Telephone Co. officials by registered mail that the Bethel Telephone Co, has not lived up to its part of the agreement in that it has not been following the Bell Standard procedures and has not provided any service from April 1 to April 11th. If full service is not established within ten days according to Bell Standard procedures the Agreement with the City shall be null and void. Carpenter seconded the motion. 5 ayes. 0 naves.

Persons moved that the Chief of police be authorized to arrange for weekly garbage pick-up ^{at the jail} and the city to be billed for the same. Christiansen seconded. 5 ayes. 0 naves.

A petition was read requesting construction of ^A Alder St. A letter is to be sent with the petition stating that this is the place within the townsite with the ~~mm~~ most people needing a road.

A discussion was held about City roads.

The Mayor informed the meeting that she had discussed the bridge across the slough while in Juneau and apparently this may be done. She requested another letter be sent asking about the plans for the new bridge.

Walton brought up the question of loose dogs in town and others agreed that far too many dogs are running loose in town. The Mayor said that she would talk to the dog catcher.

The meeting was adjourned by the hour of ten o'clock.

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