

**MINUTES
NOME CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
December 3, 2007**

The Special Meeting of the Nome City Council was called to order at 7:05 P.M. by Presiding Councilman Knodel in the City Council Chambers of Nome City Hall located at 102 Division St.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mary David, Mary Knodel, Jon Larson, Randy Pomeranz, Jerald Brown

Members Absent: Mayor Michels, Stan Andersen

Also Present: City Manager, Randy Romenesko; City Clerk, Sandy Babcock; Administrative Assistant, Marguerite LaRiviere

In the audience: Paul Korhin, KNOM; Diane Haecker, Nome Nugget Newspaper;

CITIZENS GRIEVANCES AND REQUESTS:

NEW BUSINESS

A. Setting Hearing on Reported Public Nuisance

A motion was made by C. Larson and seconded by C. Pomeranz to set the Abatement Public Hearing date for December 10th, at 7:30P.M.

Discussion

C. Larson asked if there was a notice requirement. City Clerk explained that the public notice was started on November 26th with a notification on the house and to the owners. A public hearing date for Dec. 10th was set because this would provide for the 14 day notice requirement.

At the roll call:
Ayes: Brown, David, Knodel, Larson, Pomeranz
Nays:

The motion CARRIED.

B. City Manager Position

Presiding Councilman Knodel explained that Mr. Rooney, the candidate for the City Manager position has declined the position. She stated they need to decide what they are going to do. She asked if they should hire an interim manager or go out to bid.

C. Larson responded that he thinks they should go out to bid and to also ask Shirley Gifford to be the interim City Manager.

Presiding Council Knodel stated she had asked Administrative Assistant, Marguerite LaRiviere to contact the City Attorney and she was given a few other names that might be interested in being the interim City Manager.

Ms. LaRiviere stated she had three names from the attorney: Shirley Gifford who was the interim Chief of Police in Nome at one time, Marvin Yoder who was the City Manager in Galena and Don Moore who was an interim in Dillingham and the Mat-Su Borough Manager.

Presiding Councilman Knodel stated Shirley Gifford was familiar with Nome so she suggested they start there.

A motion was made by C. Pomeranz and seconded by C.Larson to contact Shirley Gifford and negotiate a contract as an interim City Manager.

At the roll call:
Ayes: David, Knodel, Larson, Pomeranz, Brown
Nays:

The motion CARRIED.

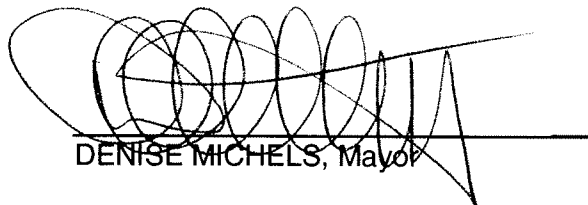
Presiding Councilman Knodel requested that as part of the interim manager's job description she should be able to help recruit a permanent City Manager. She should have knowledge of who is available in the State and after being in the position a little bit she should know what the City needs and what they are looking for. She suggested that the City Attorney Brooks Chandler negotiate the contract.

ADJOURNMENT


A motion was made by C. Pomeranz and seconded by C. Knodel that the meeting be adjourned.

Hearing no objections the Nome City Council adjourned at 12:10 P.M.

SIGNED AND DATED the 10th day of December 2007.


DENISE MICHEL, Mayor

ATTEST:


SANDY STURGIS-BABCOCK, City Clerk/Treasurer