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## NOME COMMON COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA MONDAY SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 @ 5:30 PM COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN CITY HALL

- I. ROLL CALL
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- III. <u>CITIZENS' COMMENTS</u>
- VII. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>
  - A. Executive Session on ACLU Pre-litigation Letter & Claims, VERBAL
  - B. Executive Session on City Manager Candidate Selection, VERBAL
- XIV. ADJOURNMENT

# MINUTES NOME CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

The regular meeting of the Nome City Council was called to order at 5:30 PM by Mayor Beneville in Council Chambers of City Hall located at 102 Division St.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Members Present:

Jerald Brown; Doug Johnson; Mark Johnson; Adam Martinson; Jennifer

Reader; Meghan Topkok

Members Absent:

Also Present:

Richard Beneville, Mayor; John Handeland, City Manager; Bryant

Hammond, City Clerk

In the audience:

Sandra Medearis (Arctic News); Andrew Lee

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Beneville asked if there were any changes to the agenda.

A motion was made by C. Reader and seconded by C. M. Johnson to approve the agenda.

At the roll call:

Aye: D. Johnson; M. Johnson; Martinson; Reader; Topkok;

Brown

Nay: Abstain:

The motion **CARRIED**.

### CITIZENS' COMMENTS

- 1) Andrew Lee explained that he really liked Manager Handeland but opined the City needed some new blood and a fresh perspective in the City Manager's Office.
- 2) Sandra Medearis clarified that Brooks Chandler was still the City's attorney.
- 3) Council Member Brown disclosed that the Council had unintentionally violated the Open Meetings Act when, during executive session, it directed staff to make an offer of employment to Randy Robertson for the position of City Manager. He explained that Mr. Robertson had declined the offer and that he wanted the action to be before the public.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Executive Session on ACLU Pre-litigation Letter & Claims.

A motion was made by C. Reader and seconded by C. Martinson to enter into executive session to the ACLU Pre-litigation Letter & Claims.

The Council entered into executive session at 5:43 PM.

The Council came out of executive session at 6:20 PM.

B. Executive Session on City Manager Candidate Selection.

A motion was made by C. M. Johnson and seconded by C. Reader to enter into executive session to discuss confidential personnel matters related to City Manager Candidate selection.

The Council recessed into executive session at 6:22 PM.

The Council came out of executive session at 6:54 PM.

The Council requested Manager Handeland come back into the room.

A motion was made by C. M. Johnson and seconded by C. Reader to enter into executive session to discuss confidential personnel matters related to the City Manager selection.

The Council entered executive session at 6:58 PM.

The Council came out of executive session at 7:11 PM.

A motion was made by C. Reader and seconded by C. Topkok to make an offer of employment to Glenn Steckman for the position of City Manager, with a salary of \$140,000, \$10,000 in moving expenses, 18.75 hours per month in leave and the standard City benefit package.

At the roll call:

Aye: M. Johnson; Martinson; Reader; Topkok; Brown; D. Johnson

Nay: Abstain:

The motion **CARRIED**.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by C. Reader and seconded by C. Martinson that the meeting be adjourned.

Hearing no objections, the Nome Common Council adjourned at 7:20 PM.

APPROVED and SIGNED this 14th Day of October, 2019

RICHARD BENEVILLE

Mayor

**ATTEST:** 

**BRYANT HAMMOND** 

City Clerk