Mayor Welch called the Monday June 21, 2021 regular City Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following Council Members in attendance:

Council Members Present:
- Santa Claus - Zooming In
- Thomas McGhee - Present
- David Skipps - Present
- Aino Welch - Present
- DeJohn Cromer - Excused
- Perry Walley - Present

Absent:

Excused: DeJohn Cromer – Out on Vacation

Also Present:
- Steve Dutra, Police Chief – Present
- Chad Heineken, Fire Chief – Present
- William Butler, Director of City Services – Present
- Tricia Fogarty, Chief Financial Officer – Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
Mayor Welch asked everyone to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION
The Invocation was given by Mrs. Welch

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Mr. McGhee moved to approve the agenda of June 21, 2021.

Seconded by Mrs. Welch

Discussion

Mr. McGhee moved to consent the following items:

New Business: a, b. &c.
a. Ordinance 21-10 An Ordinance to Amend the Police Department Grant Fund to
   Accept a $5,000 Internet Crimes Against Children.
b. Ordinance 21-11 An Ordinance to Amend the Public Works Operating Budget and
   Public Works Fleet Fund.
c. Ordinance 21-12 An Ordinance to Amend Title 2, Chapter 2.36 Personnel Code,
   Section .470 Pay.

Seconded by Mrs. Welch

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO CONSENT NEW BUSINESS
ITEMS A B and C:

YES: 6 – Mr. Claus, Mrs. Welch, Mr. Walley, Mr. McGhee, Mr. Skipps and Mayor Welch
NO: 0
ABSTAIN:
Mayor Welch declared the MOTION CARRIED

On the Agenda as amended.

Discussion
None

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS
AMENDED:

YES: 6 – Mr. Claus, Mr. Walley, Mrs. Welch, Mr. Skipps, Mr. McGhee and Mayor Welch
NO: 0
ABSTAIN:
Mayor Welch declared the MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Post Ponded to July 6th 2021 Meeting

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS OF THE MAYOR
Mr. Walley asked about meeting with the Total Compensation Committee.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS, BOROUGH
REPRESENTATIVE AND THE CITY CLERK
**Police Department, Chief Dutra**

- Stats – slight uptick
- Cars are not yet assigned a VIN should be being built soon.
- Lt. Lindhag has announced his retirement July 31st. Although he will be out of office June 30th. Sorry to see him go he has been a good employee. A search for a new Lt. will begin but suspect it will take till mid to end of August.
- will be headed to Anchorage tomorrow for quarterly APSC meeting.
- Building COVID Wing is moving along as you can see.
- NP Lyons against placed flowers in the memorial park and just in time for a flag raising ceremony put on by Officer Rosenbalm. We gave her a commendation / Blue Sheet for taking this to a new level. Thank you, Mayor Welch, and Council Women Welch, for attending.
- I attended the IPCC meeting with Interior Chiefs – well attended.

**Fire Department, Chief Heineken**

- During the Pandemic we lost all of our live-in volunteers, this program starting to run again.
- Fireworks sales and the celebration season is coming, the fire department would like to remind everyone to use fireworks safely and wisely.
- The Fire Dept Crews are prepping to have a new fence installed
- Looking at a long-term plane to upgrade the sleeping quarters for the staff
- Plans to replace fencing along the North side of the fire station.
- New Full Time Hire Braydon Masneri will start on July 2nd
- Accepting Application for part time employees

**City Services, Bill Butler**

**Building Department**

- One new permit application submitted since June 7 meeting.
- One permit modification for O’Reilly’s Auto Parts
- Construction throughout FNSB is busier than normal and our contract engineers are so busy they have informed me they will have difficulty taking more City projects.

**Public Works**

- Public Works’ efforts, particularly summer hires’ work, focusing on landscaping.
• Started construction of sandboxes for 5th Avenue and Highway Park Playgrounds.
• On June 14 released request for proposals for Doughchee Avenue project.
  ▪ Held a contractor site visit on June 21.
  ▪ Proposals due July 2 and plan to have a recommendation to Council at the July 6 meeting.

Utility Department

▪ June 14 released request for proposals for Doughchee Avenue project.
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Moose Creek Water System Expansion Project.

• Water service connections in Moose Creek are proceeding at two to three per day. Work includes:
  ▪ Water service connection.
  ▪ Well decommissioning.
  ▪ Removal of USAF water tanks or water treatment equipment.
• Pressure testing and flushing of the southern loop distribution water mains is underway.
  ▪ HC has located and repaired several leaks. All leaks were improperly installed gaskets.
  ▪ Two sections of pipe in southern loop experienced freezing this past winter. City is requiring that these sections be camereaed to assure freezing caused no damage to the cement lining.
• Cell phone coverage by AT&T in Moose Creek is weak in the western most section of the community.
  ▪ The default cell phone signal for the Badger meters is AT&T.
  ▪ Working with Badger Meter to get meter transmitters that use Verizon cell phone signal.
  ▪ Badger meter’s customer service has proven to be poor.

Finance, Tricia Fogarty

• Received our first month for online sales tax for May 2021 in the amount of $26,438.00.
• Mayor Welch, Michelle Peede and I met with Alliance to go over the draft audit.
Borough Representative

- Met with Borough Council, House of Fire Pizza has a Liquor license
- Funded Hunter Elementary School Roof Repair.
- School District starts on August 12, 2021 with no masks.
- Summer Reading Program for Children is in swing

City Clerk

- Declaration of Candidacy was advertised in the last two Sunday News Papers.
- Candidacy opens on July 15th and Closes on July 29th last day to withdrawal is August 5th

ONGOING PROJECTS

Jenifer Hugh’s and Brenda Sadler with 4th of July Festival & Picnic. Freedom as an Independent Nation and Freedom from the Pandemic!! Barbeque Contest, Kids Games, Music and Craft Vendors.

CITIZEN’S COMMENTS – (Limited to Five (5) minutes per Citizen)

None

Council Comments

None

Mr. McGhee moved to Adjourn

Seconded by Mrs. Welch

The meeting of June 21, 2021 adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

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Michael Welch, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Thomas McGhee, Mayor Pro-Tem