



Municipality of Anchorage

Watershed & Natural Resources Advisory Commission

Virtual Teams Meeting

ACTION SUMMARY

12:00 Noon

Wednesday, May 27, 2020

Regular Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at approximately 12:05 p.m.

A. Establishment of Quorum

Present: Emily Creely
Tamás Deák
Brett Jokela
Holly Kent
Paul McLarnon
David Nyman, Chair
Stephanie Quinn-Davidson, Vice Chair
Rick Sinnott
Simon Wigren

Staff: Thede Tobish, Senior Planner, Planning Department, Long-Range
Planning Division

Kristi Bischofberger & Jeff Urbanus, Project Management & Engineering
Department, Watershed Management Services

B. Disclosures

No disclosures.

C. Agenda Reorder

Commissioner Sinnott moved to reorder the Agenda to accommodate guests. *Commissioner Wigren* seconded.

The Motion was approved unanimously, and the agenda order was changed to take up IV.A. New Business first.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

**A. Watershed Management Services Projects—Annual Progress Briefing
—Kristi Bischofberger and Jeff Urbanus, Project Management & Engineering**

Kristi Bischofberger and Jeff Urbanus gave an overview of Watershed Management’s project and activities for 2019 to date. Much of their work has been focused on a draft new APDES Permit. They completed a monitoring project of deicer use on parking lots under various weather conditions, added new mapping tools for streams and drainages, and updated online links to mapping products.

NOTE: The remaining agenda resumed from here.

II. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Election of Officers

Commissioner Deák moved to nominate Commissioner Nyman for Chair. *Commissioner Jokela* seconded.

Commissioner Nyman moved to nominate Commissioner Quinn-Davidson as Vice Chair. *Commissioner Kent* seconded.

Both Motions were approved unanimously.

III. ACTION SUMMARY

A. Regular Meeting of December 18, 2019

Commissioner Sinnott moved to approve the December 18, 2019 meeting minutes as written. *Commissioner Deák* seconded.

The December 18, 2019 minutes were approved unanimously as written.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. WNRC Case No. 2019-03, Cat Ordinance Discussion

It was noted that this item did not get addressed at the February 2020 meeting because there was not a quorum. There remain outstanding concerns from the Animal Control Board and staff about the complexity and sensitivity of some of the Commission’s proposals to address management of cats. The Commission directed staff to invite members and staff of the Animal Control Board for further discussion and collaboration at the June meeting.

V. NEW BUSINESS

**A. Watershed Management Services Projects—Annual Progress Briefing
(Taken up before II. Special Order of Business)**

B. WNRC Resolution No. 2020-01, Mitigation Plan for Restoration of Eklutna River

The Commission outlined concerns about the status and restoration goals of this project and whether this resolution is still necessary. The Commission directed staff to invite a spokesperson for the restoration action to the June meeting to provide a status update and restoration project study plan overview.

VI. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (none)

VII. OTHER BUSINESS/STAFF REPORT (none)

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Sinnott moved to adjourn. *Commissioner Kent* seconded.

The motion passed without objection.

The meeting adjourned at 1:13 p.m.