



# CITY OF ANDERSON

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## Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting

- 📍 Location: Anderson City Hall & Zoom
- 📅 Date: October 14, 2025
- 🕒 Time: 7:00 PM

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### Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM by Mayor Katie Griebe.

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### Roll Call & Attendance

#### **Present:**

- Mayor: Katie Griebe
- Council Members: Jeff Taylor, Quenten Rathbone, Cassie Eades

#### **Absent:**

- Kay Hockin (Excused)

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### Approval of Agenda

**Motion:** Katie

**Second:** Cassie Eades

**Vote:** Unanimous

## Approval of Minutes

**Motion:** Katie approves prior minutes

**Second:** Quenten Rathbone

**Vote:** Unanimous

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## Public Access

- No comments
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## Correspondence

- See Attachments
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## Mayor's Report

- See Attachments
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## Library – Katie Griebe

- Library hours: Mondays & Wednesdays, 3:30–5:00 PM
  - Story Hours: Fridays, 10:45 AM–12:00 PM
  - Halloween Party: Friday, October 31, 4:00–5:00 PM
  - School hosting Haunted Hallway: 5:00–6:00 PM
  - 4th Friday Movie Night – Halloween themed
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## School

- Katie announced School Board meeting on Thursday at 7:00 PM
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## Denali Borough – Mayor Chris Noel

- Governor Dunleavy instructs state agencies to review all regulations to reduce unnecessarily burdensome or unclear rules, including Solid Waste.
- School funding increase of 3.4% from the Borough; local contributions increase as state funding decreases.
- Fire Bear Creek Response – landfill fees waived for fire debris removal through end of 2025.
- School online open houses – feedback requested on design and alignment.

- Weekly meetings reviewing Denali Borough Code for Commercial Operators; fee schedule exists but not yet used.
  - Collecting data to support Land Management decisions.
  - Appreciation for advertising Borough issues on City website.
  - Free flu shots at walk-in clinic 4–7 PM.
  - AML Conference upcoming – coordination encouraged.
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#### Land Committee – Katie Griebe

- Confirmed land ownership through title search.
  - Chapter 13 wording restricts ability to sell City-owned property; work session scheduled to discuss code changes.
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#### Fire Department – Nathaniel Grimes

- Attending Emergency Evacuation Training using City’s Wildfire Protection Plan.
  - EMT1 classes started; another scheduled end of December.
  - Another Paramedic expected in town; meeting scheduled.
  - Potentially two EMTs by end of December.
  - Coordinating with Clear Clinic to acquire advanced life support bag.
  - Fire trucks winterized (thanks John and Duene).
  - PPE line item funds used to purchase new gear for active members, preparing for winter.
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#### Clinic

- None
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#### Park – Katie

- Closed for the season
  - Visitors staying will have no amenities
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#### Public Safety – Cassie

- Working with State to finalize income owed to the City; report to follow
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#### Public Works – Quenten Rathbone

- Duene hired to assist John; arrangement working well

- Sewage lagoon maintenance planned once weather allows
  - Online training courses underway – insurance discounts applied
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#### Environmental

- Not available
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#### Clerk / Financial Report – Darcia Grace

- See Report
  - HRA for John established
  - PERS – previous Council supported moving into compliance. Worked with Traci Walther, Supervisor, Division of Retirement and Benefits, to complete training and reporting to bring records up to date. This is required by state law and is why it is on the unpaid bills report.
  - HR issues – AML requested clarification; code-related questions discussed. Meeting scheduled Thursday.
  - Election Training with LGS, Maisie Thomas
  - New Revenue from Division of Homeland Security – budget amendment next month for Council approval. Funding is a reimbursement and can be spent as Council wishes.
  - Purchases – see attachment
  - Denali Regional Lagoon Permit approved
  - APRA – Loss Control Incentive requiring training; Katie and Clerk scheduled for December. John and Duene have been taking online courses
  - Financial Reports
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#### Discussion – Payroll and PERS

- Cassie: Asked if payroll changes will occur.
- Katie: No changes have been made; AML questioned signatures while Katie was absent. Employees are hourly. Meeting scheduled with AML Thursday to clarify.
- Cassie: Asked Clerk about overtime hours; consistently 4–8 hours per pay period.
- Cassie: Mentioned concern about managing the budget during winter months.
- Clerk Darcia: Confirmed overtime tracking.
- Cassie: Asked about voluntary vs. required PERS participation; stated intent to learn more.
- Katie: Per code, PERS is legally required; previous attempts to exit program did not follow legal process.

#### Bills to Be Paid

- Motion: Cassie – postpone PERS payment
- Second: Jeff Taylor
- Discussion:
  - Quenten: Asked reason for postponement; expressed concern about legal obligation.
  - Katie: Confirmed payment is required.

- Cassie: Raised questions about benefits allocation and budget priorities.
  - Discussion included HRA setup for John and PERS for Clerk.
  - Motion to postpone PERS failed due to tie (2–2)
  - Roll Call Vote: JT Yes, Katie No, Quenten No, Cassie Yes
  - Tie resolved per majority rules – motion fails
  - Motion: Katie – to pay unpaid bills
  - Second: Quenten
  - Vote: Unanimous
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#### Old Business

- None
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#### New Business

- Resolution 25-12: Confirming polling place
  - Motion: Katie
  - Second: Cassie
  - Vote: Unanimous
- Declaration of Candidacy – Deadline Today
  - Seat A
  - Seat B
  - Seat C

Election Reminder: November 4, City and Borough Elections, 7:00 AM–8:00 PM

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#### Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

- Audie: Asked if an employee could be added to PERS retroactively by resolution.
- John: Provided update on a customer issue; problem resolved.
- Nate: Thanked John for support at the station.
- John: Stated experience of working 8+ years at 40+ hours/week, classified as part-time; concerns about benefits coverage noted.
- Clerk Darcia: Explained PERS compliance required by state law; HRA suggested due to budget limitations. Provided clarification regarding workload and transparency.
- Audie: Asked about full-time vs. part-time employee classifications.

#### Council Comments

- Appreciation expressed to John, Clerk, and staff.
- Election candidates: Quenten running for Seat A; potential write-in noted.

## Adjournment

Time: 8:21 PM

Next Meeting: November 18th, 2025

Submitted by:

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Darcia Grace, Clerk

Approved by:

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Katie Griebel, Mayor