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From Across My Window Sill, By Jean Murray

What a Way to Go:

It's good to have the Dew Drop where you can catch up on the news and a heartwarming story - as happened a few days ago.

It seems that a year ago all six siblings of Sue Springer Witte's family decided to have a reunion in Anderson in July 2015 and also celebrate the 30th wedding anniversary of their youngest sister, Meagan and her husband. They would be joined by their 86-year-old Auntie M (Marilyn, the only sibling of their late father, Larry).

Auntie M didn't arrive on that Tuesday 10:30 p.m. flight as expected. Confused and frantic, Sue was assured that Auntie M would be on the 12:30 a.m. flight. Sue watched anxiously as the 12:30 flight emptied. Still no Auntie M. Then the intercom paged "Sue Witte." Auntie M had been unresponsive to the airline crew and she was being placed in an ambulance. She just hadn't made the earlier flight in time. She revived but the doctors in emergency at Fairbanks Hospital delivered the news to Sue, "Your aunt is going to die.' We decided she was not going to die in the hospital," Sue said.

Fully conscious but frail Auntie M was brought to Sue and Randy's home on Friday. By then all of Sue's siblings and her Mom, Maureen, had arrived for their reunion. Sue is the oldest, followed by Kathy, Steve, Shannon, Tim and Meagan, all of whom went to school here in the mid-1970s. "Auntie M never married. We were the only kids she had. The whole family pitched in. We babied her. The doctors said to give her anything she wants to eat or drink. Let her do what she wants. We cancelled the anniversary celebration and celebrated with her instead," Sue said.

"She knew she was dying. She was determined to die with us. She planned it that way," Sue said..."All six of us carried her from the house to Chapel of the Chimes vehicle. We weren't going to let anybody else do it. It was an honor to make it easier for her to die."

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From Across my Windowsill, Continued

She commented that our EMTs, Scott (Thompson), Karen (Southwood) handled it beautifully and Dorothy Leake was a lot of help. The troopers the coroner, Chapel of the Chimes were all supportive. "We really appreciated that," Sue said.

There is "meat" here for all of us to chew on.



On Friday September 25th at 5pm,
Nenana is hosting

Dancing In The Streets

to celebrate recovery and encourage individuals with a mental and/or substance use disorder to seek treatment and achieve a healthy, happy life.

Parade starts at 5pm
Dinner will follow at
James A. Coghill Civic Center
after dinner it's time to Dance!!!

If you would like to be in the parade contact
Maryellen at 907-832-5557

Sponsored by the Wellness In Nenana (WIN) Coalition, whose members include:
Railbelt Mental Health & Addiction, City of Nenana, Nenana Seniors, Ballai's of Nenana,
Nenana Ice Classic, Nenana Public School, Nenana Native Council, Nenana Student Living Center,
Nenana Lions Club, Nenana Community Church and individual community members.

AGENDA

**CITY OF ANDERSON, ALASKA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
ANDERSON CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Tuesday, October 13, 2015, 7:30 PM**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call/Establishment of Quorum
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval/Adoption of Minutes
 - (a) Regular Meeting, September 1, 2015
6. Bills to Be Paid
 - (a) September 2015
7. Receive Financial Reports
 - (a) September 2015
8. Correspondence
9. Reports
 - (a) Denali Borough Mayor
 - (b) Anderson School Principal and Teachers and Library
 - (c) Departmental Reports
10. Old Business
 - (a) Nancy Hollis billing service at 125 A Street
 - (b) Phil Daugherty billing service on A Street
11. New Business
 - (a) CIP List Capital Improvement Wish List
 - (b) Approval of Election Board
12. Public Access: At this time any citizen may bring to the council any matter.
(During this section of the agenda the Council listens to oral communications from audience members. When speaking during this section of the agenda, please state your name, and limit your testimony to approximately three minutes per person.)
13. Council Comments
14. Adjournment

The City of Anderson Council reserves the right to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters as indicated under Alaska State Statue 44.63.310

**APPROVED
CITY OF ANDERSON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 12, 2015
ANDERSON CITY HALL**

Present:
Samantha Thompson
William Morris
Robert Smith
Jeff Taylor

Staff:
Dorothy Leake, City Clerk
Scott Thompson, Fire Chief/ P.W. Foreman

Excused
Carl Leake
Rupert Smith
Brad Shepherd Jr.

Guest:
Sandi Trumbower, George Haskins
Mary Smith, Mark Anderson

ROLL CALL The Regular Meeting of the Anderson City Council was called to order by Mayor Samantha Thompson at 7:35 PM.

Roll Call

Samantha Thompson	Yes
William Morris	Yes
Robert Smith	Yes
Jeff Taylor	Yes

AGENDA APPROVAL M/S Robert Smith/ William Morris moved to approve the agenda by Adding d) To New Business Notice of Offices to be filled. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes M/S Robert Smith/ William Morris moved to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting, July 14, 2015. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Bills to be Paid M/S Robert Smith/ Jeff Taylor moved to approve the bills to be paid for July 2015. Robert Smith asked about line item 92 Young's gear for \$4,443.85 Scott Thompson said the gear box in Brush 41 was sheared off and couldn't find one in the junk yards. Scott Thompson found discrepancy line items 39 and 49 he stated that Country Home Products and DR Power Equipment are the same company and we should have Nancy Hollis make sure we're not paying double. Chip Morris asked about line item 99 \$8,360.00 Vehicle Scott Thompson said it's the fire apparatus for the fire department which we got from the auction and is going to be used to replace the fire truck pump and we can resell the chassis. Motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call

Samantha Thompson	Yes
William Morris	Yes
Robert Smith	Yes
Jeff Taylor	Yes

Anderson City Council Meeting Minutes Continued

Financials M/S Robert Smith/ William Morris moved to approve the financials for July 2015. Mayor Samantha Thompson stated Administration is high because we had to pay the insurance and bonding. William Morris asked if we got paid yet from forestry and what are will the money be spent on and suggested we rat hole the money. Scott said if we rat hole the money the next council can go to Hawaii on this money because there is no ordinance stopping them. William Morris suggested we get a slab and covering on the coal burner. Scott Thompson stated the slab is in the budget already and we need to use some of the money to replace tires on the loader and fire truck. Mayor Samantha Thompson stated we need to be proactive and fix what needs fixing and the rest into savings. William Morris suggested we get a wish list together to look at it to see where the money is going. William Morris told the City Clerk to find out from Karen Gorden when we are going to get the bulk of the money from forestry. Jeff Taylor said the loader tires can run for years don't need to be fixed this year. Mayor Samantha Thompson explained that we need to redo the budget since we received this forestry money and we should do it in October's meeting because Nancy Hollis will be on vacation in September. Motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call

Samantha Thompson	Yes
William Morris	Yes
Robert Smith	Yes
Jeff Taylor	Yes

Correspondence Mayor Samantha Thompson read a letter from George Haskins about whether the City will provide thawing service to home owners and what will the cost be and how to contact the city for said service. Mayor Samantha Thompson said we will address this letter in New Business.

Departmental Reports Denali Borough Mayor: Mayor Samantha Thompson reported that Mayor Walker sent an email which is available in the City Office.

Anderson School Teacher: Teacher Mary Smith reported they start back to school on the 19th and she was in the school today getting ready.

Park Jeff Taylor reported we bought a water pump for the park, and he is sitting on \$9900.00 in the bank and he has to pay 41800.00 for t-shirts, \$3000.00 to city, \$500.00 for tax exempt status to IRS, \$170.00 landfill, which leaves \$2600.00 to donate. Council Members commended and applauded Jeff Taylor for his success in putting on the festival. Jeff Taylor thanked Scott Thompson for his help making it happen. Scott Thompson reported he can get Coin machine for \$972.00 plus shipping. Jeff Taylor reported the men's shower is running because the coin machine is broke. Bob Smith suggested sending out thank you notes and Mayor Samantha Thompson stated it was not a city function. Mayor Samantha Thompson asked how the orchestra performance went and the city clerk said forestry appreciated it. Jeff Taylor assured him that everyone was thanked. Scott Thompson reported the propane tank has been swapped out.

Anderson City Council Meeting Minutes Continued

Public Works Scott Thompson reported that we have two temporary guys working on the lagoons and he talked to Brad Shepherd Jr. about buying more LED street lights Mayor Samantha Thompson said if we have the money we should buy them because it will save money for years to come and after more discussion the other Council Members agreed. Jeannette Witte asked for a light on her street. Scott Thompson said it could cost thirteen hundred dollars for GVEA hook up but he will check her lights out. We received a complaint about potholes on A Street and Brad Shepherd Jr. had the City Clerk send it to Doug Poage.

Public Safety: Scott Thompson reported he watches auction sites and Matsu Valley had a 83 Grumman 1500 gallon fire truck and we have 83 Grumman 3000 gallon fire truck which we bought for 8,360.00 for the pump. He will use it for parts and then put it on the same auction website. Squad 41 pump came in but is not going in until it needs to be winterized. We had a bad accident on the highway during festival and 2 medical calls that involved transports. Scott reported we gave an old ambulance to Panquingue Fire Brigade and now they are down with it so it will be coming back and Scott Thompson will put it on the auction for fifteen hundred or two thousand. Jeannette Witte asked about the auction web site and Scott Thompson explained it was Public Surplus.com and it is a worldwide auction that we will be selling our old equipment on.

Environmental Scott Thompson reported that DEC will be coming to inspect the lagoons and the city is submitting the permit for the Denali Borough Lagoon. CE2 will build a ramp to be able to put the hydro-jetter in the coke truck.

Old Business: None

New Business a) M/S Jeff Taylor/ Bob Smith made a motion to pass Resolution 15-08 in Appreciation of Phil Daugherty. Motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call

Samantha Thompson	Yes
William Morris	Yes
Robert Smith	Yes
Jeff Taylor	Yes

b) Sewer System thawing Fee was tabled till next month because Carl Leake Director of Environmental was unavailable.

c) Bills to be paid Mayor Samantha Thompson stated it will be going backwards to do purchase orders. Scott Thompson asked for \$3000.00 for a tracking system to track everything for the audit on the fire department which will happen because we made a lot of money this year due to the fire. Scott Thompson stated it will include the tags (laser and engraved) and scanner and would be for all the departments. Mayor Samantha Thompson asked about the upgrades and Scott Thompson reported he will find out. After much discussion the City Council agreed to buy the scanner. Jeff Taylor asked what was the original point of the email from Jeremy Johnson and Mayor Samantha Thompson stated that Jeremy Johnson did an audit and he said you do not have to wait to pay the bills until council meetings since they are included in the budget. Mayor Samantha Thompson wants to continue seeing the bills to be paid on the agenda. William Morris stated we should keep the system we use now.

Anderson City Council Meeting Minutes Continued

d) Offices to be filled; Mayor Samantha Thompson stated that they are all two year terms: Seat A, held by Carl Leake. Seat B held by Rupert Smith and Seat C held by Brad Shepherd Jr. Mayor Samantha Thompson asked if any of the Council Members are going to be running again. The City Clerk stated that Brad Shepherd Jr and Carl Leake will run again.

Jeannette Witte wanted to know why Brad Shepherd Jr doesn't come to meetings and we have an Ordinance stating that you have to attend so many meetings and if you want to be on the Council you should attend the meetings. Mayor Samantha Thompson stated that it's very hard to get people to be on the council and Brad Shepherd Jr. has had excused absences and he is very involved in his department. City Clerk stated there are applications available for the public to fill out.

Public Access: Jeanette Witte asked the City Council to put a bike path to the highway and fix the access road on the CIP list and insist it's a safety factor. Mayor Samantha Thompson stated that the access road is a State road. George Haskins agreed with Jeannette Witte that the city should lobby the State to put it on the States CIP List. Jeanette Witte suggested contacting Mr. Talerico and the Commissioner of Roads.

George Haskins stated he would like to see what the rates are for thawing. He doesn't want to come back next spring and nothing is done. The public hasn't seen the specs on the sewer project but according to the plumber's code there should be a clean out every 100 feet and his is over 130 feet. Mayor Samantha Thompson stated if there is a problem on your individual system you should take it to VSW and George Haskins said he took it Dave Konen of CE 2 Engineers and it was struck down. Mayor Samantha Thompson assured the public that the Council was not going to sign off on the Sewer project until it's satisfactory. George Haskins wants some bylaws on what to expect on the sewer. Samantha Thompson stated that Ordinance 08-06 states that you will pay whether you leave or not and whoever started the snowbird status was in violation of the Ordinance. Sandy Trumbower stated that the City Clerk told her that when they get back the city will thaw there sewer. The City Clerk denied this. George Haskins stated that it came out of this building. Scott Thompson stated that if your pipe freezes and the main line froze then the property owner would not be responsible. Mayor Thompson stated that Scott Thompson does after action reports on each incident and she has no problem making them available to the public. After much more discussion Mayor Thompson said this issue has been tabled because we need the department head to make a decision on the sewer thawing fees. Scott Thompson told the City Clerk to call Mark Sherman and ask him about the cleanouts. Mayor Thompson asked if we paid Sherman Engineering and the City Clerk said no. Mayor Samantha Thompson told Sandy Trumbower to send an email to the City Clerk about the cleanouts and she will forward it to Doug Poage and depending on Doug Poage says the City Council will consider sending it to the Engineer. Mayor Thompson stated we haven't got a report from an Engineer that VSW sent down this summer and asked Scott Thompson to request a report from Doug Poage. Sandy Trumbower thanked the City Council for what you do she knows you work hard as volunteers.

Council Comments: None

Adjournment M/S William Morris/ Bob Smith moved to adjourn the meeting @ 9:39PM. Motion passed unanimously.



CITY OF ANDERSON

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NOTICE OF OFFICES TO BE FILLED

The regular election for the City of Anderson will be held on November 3, 2015. Declarations of candidacy forms are available from the city clerk's office, Anderson City Hall, 260 West 1st Street, from September 14, 2015, through October 13, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the following council seats:

Seat A, 2-year Term
 (Held by Carl Leake)

Seat B, 2-Year Term
 (Held by Rupert Smith)

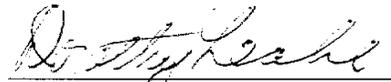
Seat C, 2-Year Term
 (Held by Brad Shepherd Jr.)

CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS:

To be eligible to file a Declaration of Candidacy for election to a city office, a person shall be an elector of the city and shall have been a resident of the city for a period of not less than six months preceding the date of the election. The candidate must not be disqualified under Article V of the Constitution of the State of Alaska.

VOTER QUALIFICATIONS:

1. A person may vote only if he/she is qualified to vote in state election;
2. A resident of the City of Anderson for thirty (30) days prior to the election; and
3. Has not been disqualified under Article V of the Constitution of the State of Alaska.


 City Clerk

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Appendix Form 4-3

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Thursday, September 3	Aurora: The Northern Lights*
Friday, September 4	Chasing Wolf Shadows
Saturday, September 5	Alaska's Grizzlies*
Sunday, September 6	Arctic Dinosaurs*
Monday, September 7	Archaeology in Denali

*Indicates a film screening.

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September Events

September 15 - Denali Borough Planning Commission Work session, Public Hearing, and Regular Meeting, 6:15 PM.

September 21 - Anderson Quilters & Crafters, Clear Sky Lodge, 10 A.M. - 1 P.M.

September 23 – [Autumn Equinox](#)

September 25 – Dancing in the Streets, Coghill Civic Center, Nenana, 5 P.M.

September 28 - Anderson Quilters & Crafters, Clear Sky Lodge, 10 A.M. - 1 P.M.

Borough Services

Denali Borough

Tri-Valley Community Center, Healy AK
Mon-Thu, 9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.,
PO Box 480, Healy, AK 99743,
907-683-1330, Fax: 907-683-1340,
<http://www.denaliborough.govoffice.com>

Denali Borough School District

1 Suntrana Street, Healy, AK 99743,
907-683-2278, <http://www.dbsd.org>

Denali Borough Landfill

Tipping Fees: All MSW, C&D and Special
Waste - \$115.00 per ton. Dry automobiles
excluding commercial trucks and buses -
\$25.00 each. All other Special handling
fees are provided within the Denali
Borough Solid Waste Permit.
Hours of Operation: Tuesday-Saturday, 9
A.M. – 4 P.M. Closed on all Borough
Holidays ([click this link](#)). FREE 55 gallon
drums available.

Anderson Services

Anderson City Office

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Winter office hours:
Wednesdays & Thursdays
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Anderson Post Office

Mon-Fri, 12-3:15 P.M. 907-582-2992

Anderson Volunteer Fire Dept.

907-582-2500

Anderson Public Library

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5:30-7:30 and Saturday 12-4.
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Kevin Smith (907) 712-4244
Sunday Services: 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM
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