

## **LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

March 25, 2004

### **1. ROLL CALL**

The Legislative Council meeting was called to order at 5:32 pm by Senator Therriault, Chairman, Legislative Council, in the House Finance Committee Room and via teleconference.

The roll was taken. In attendance were Council members: Therriault, Cowdery, Ben Stevens, Ogan, Gary Stevens, Wagoner, Coghill, Kott, Masek, Rokeberg, Stoltze and Berkowitz. Absent members: Weyhrauch and Lincoln. Staff present: Varni, Bannister, Collins, Clothier, Cook, Gullufsen, Ibesate, Johnston, Lobaugh, Maher, Price, Skibinski and Schofield.

### **2. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 5, 2004 MINUTES**

Representative Masek moved the minutes of February 5, 2004 meeting be approved.

YEAS: Therriault, Cowdery, Ogan, Gary Stevens, Wagoner, Masek, Stoltze and Berkowitz

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ben Stevens, Lincoln, Kott, Rokeberg and Weyhrauch

With no objection the motion was approved.

### **3. TIME EXTENSION OF DON MITCHELL CONTRACT**

Chairman Therriault briefed Legislative Council on extending the dates of performance on the Don Mitchell contract.

Discussion followed.

Representatives Kott, Rokeberg, and Senator Ben Stevens joined the meeting.

Don Mitchell was present and answered several questions by the Council.

Representative Berkowitz moved to introduce an amendment.

Representative Masek objected.

Discussion followed.

Representative Berkowitz motioned to insert in the Don Mitchell contract the following amendment:

Before the Consultant provides any additional legal services that relate to pending federal legislation, the Consultant shall provide each member of the Alaska Legislative Council with a written notice that describes the legal services the Consultant will be providing.

YEAS: Berkowitz

NAYS: Therriault, Cowdery, Ben Stevens, Ogan, Gary Stevens, Wagoner, Coghill, Kott, Masek, Rokeberg, Stoltze

ABSENT: Lincoln and Weyhrauch

The motion failed 11 to 1.

Representative Masek moved that Legislative Council approve the amendment to the Don Mitchell contract extending the dates of performance.

YEAS: Therriault, Cowdery, Ben Stevens, Ogan, Gary Stevens, Wagoner, Coghill, Kott, Masek, Rokeberg and Stoltze

NAYS: Berkowitz

ABSENT: Lincoln and Weyhrauch

The motion passed 11 to 1.

**4. RATIFICATION OF SANCTIONED EVENTS – HEALTHWORKS AND 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL THANKSGIVING IN MARCH**

Chairman Therriault gave notice to Legislative Council that he had given prior approval of the HealthWorks and 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Thanksgiving in March fundraisers under AS 24.60.080(c)(10). Both the HealthWorks and the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Thanksgiving in March qualify as 501(c)(3) organizations.

Representative Masek moved that the Legislative Council ratify the Petersburg Mental Health Services “HealthWorks” and the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Thanksgiving in March

fundraisers per AS 24.60.080(c)(10) as approved fundraisers and sanctioned events.

With no objection the motion was approved.

**5. APPROVAL OF LATE PER DIEM REQUESTS – REPRESENTATIVE MAX GRUENBERG, REPRESENTATIVE BOB LYNN AND REPRESENTATIVE BILL WILLIAMS**

Representative Masek moved that Legislative Council approve the late per diem requests for Representatives Gruenberg, Lynn and Williams.

With no objection the motion was approved.

**6. APPROVAL OF ITB #397 – REWIRING OF ANCHORAGE LEASED OFFICE SPACE**

Pam Varni Executive Director of the Legislative Affairs Agency informed Legislative Council of the results of the solicited bids for the rewiring of the existing leased Anchorage office space and selection of a contractor. Ms. Varni recommended that Wire Communications, Inc., be awarded the bid for a total price of \$125,911.

Discussion followed.

Representative Masek moved that Legislative Council approve the award and expenditure of ITB #397 to Wire Communications, Inc. for the total bid price of \$129,911.

With no objection the motion was approved.

**7. APPROVAL OF ITB #398 – REMODEL OF ANCHORAGE LEASED OFFICE SPACE.**

Pam Varni Executive Director of the Legislative Affairs Agency informed Legislative Council of the results of the solicited bids for the remodel of the existing leased Anchorage office space and selection of a contractor. There were 4 offers. Ms. Varni recommended that Ridge Contracting, Inc. be awarded the bid for a total price of \$86,066.

Discussion followed.

Representative Masek moved that Legislative Council approve the award and expenditure of ITB #398 to Ridge Contracting, Inc. for the total bid price of \$86,066 for the remodeling of office space at the 716 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Ave.

With no objection the motion was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 pm.