

**KENAI COUNCIL ON AGING
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 10, 2020 – 4:30 P.M.
KENAI SENIOR CENTER
361 SENIOR CT., KENAI, AK 99611
Telephonic/Virtual Information Below
<http://www.kenai.city>**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. Roll Call
 - c. Agenda Approval

2. **SCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENTS**
(Public comment limited to ten (10) minutes per speaker)

3. **UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT** *(Public comment limited to three (3) minutes per speaker; thirty (30) minutes aggregated)*

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10. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

11. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

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**KENAI COUNCIL ON AGING
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 13, 2020 – 4:30 P.M.
KENAI SENIOR CENTER, VIRTUALLY
CHAIR DON ERWIN, PRESIDING**

MEETING SUMMARY

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Erwin called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

a. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Erwin led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

b. Roll was confirmed as follows:

Members Present: D. Erwin, R. Williams, V. Geller, A. Weeks, B. Modigh, M. Milewski, L. Nelson, C. Thornton, S. Bise

Members Absent: None.

Staff/Council Liaison Present: Senior Center Director K. Romain, City Clerk J. Heinz, and Council Member J. Glendening

A quorum was present.

c. Agenda Approval

MOTION:

Member Thornton **MOVED** for approval of the agenda and Member Milewski **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections; **SO ORDERED**.

2. SCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENTS (*Public comment limited to ten (10) minutes per speaker*) – None.

3. UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT (*Public comment limited to three (3) minutes per speaker; thirty (30) minutes aggregated*) – None.

4. APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY

a. May 14, 2020

MOTION:

Member Weeks **MOVED** to approve the May 14, 2020 meeting summary as written and Member Thornton **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections; **SO ORDERED**.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. **Discussion** – State of Alaska Reopening Guidelines for Senior Centers

Director Romain noted the document for congregate guidance provided in the packet, adding that the State provided the documents in June; however, no Senior Center in the state was open as of this date. She reviewed the document noting what the Senior Center could and could not provide, and what protocols would need to be in place. Ms. Romain added that she was going to be preparing a phased plan for opening and would be bringing the plan back to the Council on Aging at the September meeting for review and recommendation.

It was asked that a list of activities that could be conducted be provided in the plan.

Staffing and funding was discussed.

7. REPORTS

a. **Senior Center Director** – Romain reported the following:

- Current staffing;
- Building and maintenance projects being completed while the center is empty;
- A CARES Act grant being provided by the Kenai Peninsula Borough and doors being installed with the grant;
- Doors being installed to the dining room and the reception desk being moved to keep control of wandering in the building;
- A new vehicle being acquired;
- Developing a phone buddy program for those who are interested.

b. **Council on Aging Chair** – Chair Erwin noted the Senior Center crew was doing a wonderful job during the pandemic.

c. **City Council Liaison** – Glendening reviewed the Action Agenda for the Council's previous meetings.

8. NEXT MEETING ATTENDANCE NOTIFICATION – September 10, 2020

9. COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Council Member Williams virtual doesn't come close to being together; grateful for the meals and how they are cared for at Vintage Pointe.

Council Member Thornton noted they were thoroughly delighted with the work and what is being provided by the Senior Center.

10. ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS – None.

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Member Geller **MOVED** for adjournment and Member Milewski **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections; **SO ORDERED**.

There being no further business, the Council on Aging meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

Meeting summary prepared and submitted by:

Jamie Heinz, CMC
City Clerk

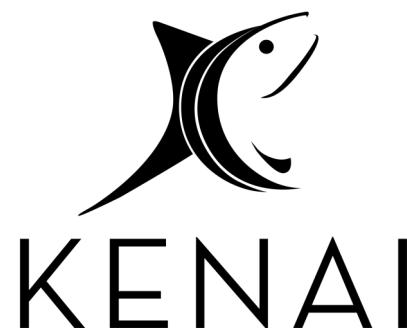
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Kenai Senior Center
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Kenai, Alaska 99611
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December 2020

The Kenai Senior Center

Centerline



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As the 2020 holiday season approaches, please know we miss the smiles, the hugs, the laughs, and your very presence around the Senior Center. Never would we have dreamt when our Center closed in March that we would still be apart in December. We anxiously await the time when we can all be together again. Until then, please stay safe, warm, and know we wish you the very best!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

The staff at the Kenai Senior Center.

KENAI SENIOR CENTER SERVICES

CONGREGATE MEALS:

*Suspended (COVID-19)
Monday through Friday
from 11:30 to 1:00pm

HOME-DELIVERED MEALS:

Monday through Thursday
Call 283-8212 for more
information

VINTAGE POINTE HOUSING:

Call 283-4156 for more
information or to get on
the waiting list

FACILITY RENTAL:

*Suspended (COVID-19)

TRANSPORTATION:

*Suspended (COVID-19)

SUGGESTED DONATIONS:

Congregate Meals - \$7
(60 years and older)
Home-delivered Meals - \$7
Transportation - \$3



WHAT YOU CAN DO TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM COVID-19

- Wash your hands often.
- Avoid close contact (6 feet, which is about two arm lengths) with people who are sick.
- Put distance between yourself and other people if COVID-19 is spreading in your community.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched services.
- Stay at home as much as possible
- Avoid all cruise travel and non-essential air travel.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Day	Name	Day	Name	Day	Name
1	Patricia Roderick	10	Barbara L'Heureux	26	Marti Slater
1	Rosalind Foster	11	Rita Lindsey	27	Jimmie English
2	Maxine Purugganan	13	Carole O'Donnell	27	Marjorie Seymour
2	Rhoda Turinsky	14	David Newton	27	Nina Weatherly
3	Petria Falkenberg	14	William Sadler	27	Steven Best
3	Gregory Fisher	14	Cindy Boettcher	27	Wayne Hinze
4	Doug Vance	16	Diana Damitz	28	Jean Goodlife
4	Judy Reynolds	16	Cynthia Todd	28	Don Thompson
5	Sharon Fisher	18	Joan Seaman	28	Denny Thomas
6	Fred Cates	20	Marie Kasak	29	Buck Steiner
7	Lyudmyla Kaiberda	21	Barbara Baldwin	30	Gale Rudolph
8	Christina Mamaloff	22	Linda Nelson	31	Leroy Heinrich
9	Juanita Aguilar	22	Timothy Johnson	31	Donna Marie Hutton
9	Coralee Price	23	Pat Moye	31	Geraldine Kidd

What is \$5 Club?

Our \$5-A-Month Club is a voluntary membership to the Kenai Senior Center through the Kenai Senior Connection, Inc. and a valuable help!

All funds are used to assist with the Senior Center budget and for special needs throughout the year. We thank everyone for your support as we continue to grow and serve the needs of our senior community. Donations may be made on a monthly or year-to-year basis. Items purchased with these funds include the piano!

We proudly post our \$5 Club members on the bulletin board and in the Centerline!

DECEMBER \$5 CLUB

Ardith Arbelovsky	Pete Hallgrimson	Marge Milewski	Vivian Terry
Bob & Cheryl Arrington	Joel & Laura Henkelman	Kari Mohn	Terry Turner
Steve Best	Jan Hollers	Harry Nagasako	Ray & Yen-ti Verg-in
Patricia Bravo	Gary Hollier	Bill Nelson	Frosty Walters
Sue Carter	Joanna Hollier	Lois Nelson	Virginia Walters
Dee & Lee Cassel	Donna Hoyt	Joseph & Lola Nightingale	Roy & Ozella Williams
Glenn Clifford	Molly Jackson	Alice Nuxoll	Janice Wilsack
Patsy Clifford	Leanne King	Robert & Netella Peterson	
Carol Freas	Lisa Lambert	Pat Robinson	
Velda Geller	Paula Maier	Barbara Schmidt	
Omer Goodman	Susan Malmquist	Bill & Sondra Starnes	
	Len Malmquist, Jr.	Charles & Janice Thornton	



Business Hours

Mondays 8:00am ~ 5:00pm
Tuesdays 8:00am ~ 5:00pm
Wednesdays 8:00am ~ 5:00pm
Thursdays 8:00am ~ 5:00pm
Fridays 8:00am ~ 5:00pm

Need to speak with someone in administration?

Director, Kathy Romain
283-8213
Administrative Assistant, Angie Clary
283-8212





Soft Christmas Cookies



Ingredients:		
3 3/4 cups all-purpose flour	1 cup butter, softened	2 eggs
1 tsp. baking powder	1 1/2 cups sugar	2 tsp. vanilla extract
1/2 tsp. salt		

Step 1 Sift flour, baking powder, and salt together, set aside. In a large bowl, cream together the margarine and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in the eggs one at a time, then stir in the vanilla. Gradually blend in the sifted ingredients until fully absorbed. Cover dough, and chill for 2 hours.

Step 2 Preheat oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C). Grease cookie sheets. On a clean floured surface, roll out small portions of chilled dough to 1/4 inch thickness. Cut out shapes using cookie cutters.

Step 3 Bake 6 to 8 minutes in the preheated oven, or until edges are barely brown. Remove from cookie sheets to cool on wire racks.

*"I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet the words repeat
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!"*

~Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

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I made myself a snowball,
As perfect as could be,
I thought I'd keep it as a pet,
And let it sleep with me.
I made it some pajamas,
And a pillow for its head,
Then last night it ran away,
But first-- it wet the bed.





Christmas Traditions Around the World That May Surprise You!

There are so many Christmas traditions in the United States: trimming a tree, baking holiday cookies, and opening Christmas presents, to name a few. But what are the Christmas traditions around the world? Many countries celebrate the holiday differently than we do. Not only do some populations eat different Christmas foods, but Christmas isn't even observed on December 25 in some places.

Philippines

If we think the US goes all out with Christmas decorations, we should see what the Philippines does. Every year, the city of San Fernando holds *Ligligan Parul* (or Giant Lantern Festival) featuring dazzling parasols (lanterns) that symbolize the Star of Bethlehem. Each *parol* consists of thousands of spinning lights that illuminate the night sky. The festival has made San Fernando the “Christmas Capital of the Philippines.”

Japan

Although Christmas isn't a national holiday in Japan, its citizens still find an interesting and delicious way to celebrate. Rather than gathering around the table for a turkey dinner, families head out to Kentucky Fried Chicken. The tradition began in 1974 after a wildly successful marketing campaign called “*Kurisumasu ni wa kentakkii*” or “Kentucky for Christmas!”

Iceland

Similar to the 12 days of Christmas in the U.S., Iceland celebrates 13. Each night before Christmas, Icelandic children are visited by 13 Yule Lads. After placing their shoes by the window, they'll either have received candy (if they're good) or be greeted with shoes full of rotten potatoes if they're bad. And we thought coal was a terrible gift!

Finland

On Christmas morning, Finish families traditionally eat a porridge made of rice and milk topped with cinnamon, milk, or butter. Whoever finds the almond placed inside one of the puddings “wins”. At the end of the day, it is customary to warm up in a sauna together.

New Zealand

Because summer falls during Christmastime for Kiwis, a number of their traditions center around a “barbie” or grill, where families and friends gather for a casual cookout of fresh seafood, meat and seasonal vegetables. The New Zealand Christmas tree is the Pohutukawa, a coastal species that blooms a bright-red color in December, providing shade during sunny days as they sing carols in both English and Maori.

Martinique

In the French Caribbean island of Martinique, *la ribote* is a longstanding tradition where families visit their neighbors during Advent and then again on New Year's Day bearing holiday food like yams, *boudin creole*, *pates sales*, and pork stew. They sing Christmas carols together into the early hours of the morning, adding their own creole verses to traditional lyrics.

Norway

In Norway, the Christmas season, called *julebord*, begins December 3, filling local bars and restaurants throughout the month. Families celebrate Little Christmas on December 23; each have their own ritual for the day that may include decorating the tree, making a gingerbread house, and eating *risengrynsgrøt* (hot rice pudding).

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(Christmas Around the World, continued)

Ireland

The Irish leave a tall red candle in a front window overnight, a welcoming symbol of warmth and shelter for the holiday season. Traditional Christmas fare in Ireland often includes homemade roast goose, vegetables, cranberries, and potatoes.

Barbados

A Christmas table in Barbados isn't complete without a baked ham decorated with pineapple and sorrel glazes, a rum cake, and *Jug Jug*, a dish inspired by the Scottish influence on the island combining pigeon peas, guinea corn flour, herbs, and salt meat.

Poland

On Christmas Eve in Poland, many families share *oplatek* (an unleavened religious wafer), each person breaking off a piece as they wish each other Merry Christmas. Dinner may not begin until the first star appears in the night sky and, traditionally, an extra setting is left at the table should someone show up uninvited.

The Netherlands

Sinterklaas is the Dutch name for Saint Nicholas, the man recognized by children by his long white beard, red cape, and red miter. Kids put a shoe by the chimney or back door and wake up on Christmas morning to find treats like gingerbread men, marzipan, and chocolate letters inside.

Portugal and Brazil

Brazilian and Portuguese families come together on Christmas Eve to eat dinner as late as 10 p.m. Then, at exactly midnight, they exchange gifts, toasts, and wish each other a Merry Christmas. Midnight mass, *Missa Do Galo* (Rooster Mass), is a chance to meet up with neighbors and extended family to wish them well for the holiday season. The service is often followed by fireworks in the town square.

South Africa

While the traditions around South Africa vary by region and culture, most families come together for a cookout, called *braaiing* on the holiday. Marinated steaks and boerewors sausages serve as the main course, followed by a customary dessert of malva pudding served with a custard. Traditional fur Christmas trees are decorated with a variety of baubles including hand-beaded African ornaments.

Ukraine

Orthodox Christians make up nearly 49 % of Ukraine's population. They observe Christmas Day on January 7 by dressing in traditional garments and walking through town singing carols. A dish called *kutya*, made of cooked wheat mixed with honey, ground poppy seeds, and sometimes nuts, is a popular Christmas Eve treat. Some families throw a spoonful of *kutya* at the ceiling. If it sticks, there will be a good harvest in the new year.





CHRISTMAS SCRAMBLE



Please Unscramble the List of Christmas Words

1. seevl _____

2. neerpsts _____

3. jcsftrkao _____

4. gsosntkic _____

5. oeadtec _____

6. htnor-oelp _____

7. fstyor _____

8. naast _____

9. nswmano _____

10. oufdrl _____

11. orelacrs _____

12. rnchgi _____

13. lshmcarts _____

14. iomelestt _____

15. ieerenrd _____

16. lhmaehbte _____

17. dynca acen _____

18. ngogeg _____

19. ngarme _____

20. etuyild _____

21. orsgoce _____

22. rbecmdee _____

23. lpeifreca _____

24. tscehsutn _____

25. stelin _____





Christmas Songs



Name That Tune

Listed below is ONE LINE from some Christmas Favorites.

Can you name the Title which each line goes to?

1. Glories stream from heaven afar _____
2. He led them down the streets of town, right to the traffic cop; _____
3. Bells on bob-tail ring. Making spirits right. _____
4. Good tidings for Christmas, and a Happy New Year. _____
5. Bless all the dear children in thy tender care. _____
6. And I've bought some corn for popping. Let _____
7. Our finest gifts we bring,_____. To lay before the king _____
8. Then one foggy Christmas Eve, Santa came to say: _____
9. May your days be merry and bright _____
10. Strike the harp and join the chorus _____
11. Underneath his beard so snowy white: _____
12. My true love sent to me: _____
13. Let ev'ry heart prepare him room; _____
14. And so it continued both day and night. _____
15. He knows if you've been bad or good _____
16. Joyful, all ye nations rise. Join the triumph of the skies _____
17. Please have snow and mistletoe and presents on the tree _____
18. Walking home from our house Christmas Eve _____
19. Word of the Father, now in the flesh appearing _____
20. Later we'll have some pumpkin pie and we'll do some caroling _____

Kenai Senior Connection, Inc. NEWS



Hello everyone, this year has come and nearly gone. Kenai Senior Connection, Inc. still hasn't been able to have a meeting because of the COVID-19 Virus. We had plans for a meeting, but the day before the meeting we got word that we couldn't do it as COVID numbers had spiked, so we had to make some of our decisions by telephone.

We were given another doll with clothing to raffle from Fran Kilfoyle! We had no way or place to sell tickets, so it has been put off for now. **Thank you Fran for your donation**, it is very much appreciated.

This year while we could not host the annual Food and Toy drive, the staff is putting together some food gifts to go out by Christmas with funds from Kenai Senior Connection, Inc.

As we look back over the year it has certainly been different. I remember in March we postponed our March for Meals Fundraiser for a couple of weeks, which has turned into nearly a year.

While so many of our fundraisers and functions have not happened this year, we have great memories to cherish from years past. Remember how much fun we had at the Halloween Party for the kids? We are just going day by day.....thinking and praying this situation will soon go away and we can get back to a normal life.

Now that December is here, let's look back and be thankful for what we have, our health, homes, families, and friends. I personally am very thankful to be living in Alaska and I thank God every day for watching over us. Now it is time to just set back and reminisce, watch it snow, and dream of a White Christmas. ***Velda Geller, President Kenai Senior Connection***





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Date Received _____ Received by _____

With the recent closures due to the COVID-19 virus, it has become apparent that we are missing or have outdated information on many of our patrons. Please help us to update our database by filling out this form and giving it to the receptionist, or mailing it to:

Kenai Senior Center, 361 Senior Ct., Kenai, AK 99611

~Thank you for your help!

Name _____
First Middle Last

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Physical Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth _____ Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Kenai Senior Center Donation Form

Helping People Age With Dignity

Your tax deductible donations are a valuable and necessary means for the sustainability of Kenai Senior Center services. If you would like to make a meaningful donation to help those in need, please make a selection from the following services:

Please make checks to Kenai Senior Center:

- Congregate Meal Program
- Transportation Services
- Home Delivered Meal Program
- Newsletter Mailing (\$10, Jan—Dec)
- Newsletter E-Mailing (Free of charge)

Please make checks to Kenai Senior Connection, Inc.:

- \$5 Club
- monthly - \$5 yearly - \$60
- Memorial Donation

Name _____ Address _____

Mail to: Kenai Senior Center, 361 Senior Court, Kenai, AK 99611.

Thank you for your financial support! Every *little* bit can make a **BIG** difference.

Holiday Tunes

- Away in a Manger
- Choir of the Bells
- Dominick the Donkey
- Frosty the Snowman
- Holly Jolly Christmas
- Jingle Bell Rock
- Jingle Bells
- Let it Snow
- Little Drummer Boy
- Little St Nick
- O Holy Night
- Rudolph
- Santa Baby
- Silent Nigh
- Silver Bells
- The Christmas Song
- The First Noel
- Winter Wonderland



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*“There is nothing in the world so irresistibly contagious
as laughter and good humor”*

~Charles Dickens



Answers to Christmas Scramble: 1. elves 2. presents 3. jackfrost 4. stockings 5. decorate 6. north-pole 7. frosty 8. santa 9. snowman 10. Rudolf 11. carolers 12. grinch 13. Christmas 14. mistletoe 15. reindeer 16. Bethlehem 17. candy cane 18. eggnog 19. manger 20. yuletide 21. scrooge 22. December 23. fireplace 24. chestnuts 25. tinsel



Answers to Name That Tune! 1. Silent Night 2. Frosty the Snowman 3. Jingle Bells 4. We Wish You A Merry Christmas 5. Away in a Manger 6. Let it Snow 7. The Little Drummer Boy 8. Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer 9. White Christmas 10. Deck the halls 11. I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus 12. The Twelve Days of Christmas 13. Joy to the World 14. The First Noel 15. Santa Claus is Coming to Town 16. Hark! The Herald Angels Sing 17. I'll Be Home for Christmas 18. Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer 19. O Come All Ye Faithful 20. Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree



DECEMBER 2020 MENU

If you would like to order a meal for pick-up, please call 283-4156 by 10:30am for same day pick up.

Soup and Salad when available

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Chef Salad Fresh Fruit Bran Muffin ♥	2 BBQ Ribs Cowboy Beans Honey Carrots Corn Bread	3 Creamy Chicken Shrimp Scampi Roasted Cherry Tomatoes Garlic Bread	4 Tomato Soup Grilled Turkey w/ Tomato & Cheese Sandwich Fruit Cup
7 Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy Mixed Veggies	8 Creamy Lemony Pork w/Mushrooms Brown Rice Zucchini	9 BBQ Brisket Sandwich Parmesan Fries Coleslaw	10 Orange Teriyaki Beef Noodles Red Pepper Mushroom Medley	11 Cheese Burger Soup Antipasto Salad Cheesy Parsley Rolls
14 Swedish Meatballs Egg Noodles Gravy Pickled Beets	15 Liver & Onions Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy Brussel Sprouts	16 Biscuits & Gravy Scrambled Eggs Sausage Links Roasted Potatoes	17 Halibut Burger Sweet Potato Fries Honey Dew	18 Turkey Sandwich on Whole Wheat Soup & Salad ♥
21 Baked Ham Cheesy Potatoes Yellow Squash	22 Chicken Tacos w/ Creamy Cilantro Sauce Mexican Rice Pinto Bean & Corn Salad ♥	23 Sweet & Sour Beef Jasmine Rice Stir Fry Veggies Egg Roll	24 Cornish Game Hen Lemony Green Beans Sweet Potato Cranberry Bake	25 <i>Christmas Day</i>  CLOSED
28 English Muffin w/Egg Sausage Patty & Cheese Roasted Potatoes Fruit Cup	29 Chicken Caesar Salad Soup Fresh Fruit Bran Muffin ♥	30 Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Italian Veggies Garlic Bread	31 Missy's Pizza Spinach Salad Fruit Cup Cheese Cake	<i>January 1, 2021</i> <i>New Year's Day</i> CLOSED

Menu is subject to change

5 Letters We Should Write Now

adapt ed from Sharp Health News

Do you find yourself lamenting the missed opportunity to learn something new or accomplish something great during the stay-at-home COVID season? While some of these things will not be accomplished, in quarantine or otherwise, there is something we can do to boost our mood and brighten someone's day. It doesn't take much more than a pen and paper, or even just a digital device—and there's no learning curve required. While we are mostly sticking close to home, we should take the time to write a letter to the people who have made a difference in our lives.

Writing a letter allows us to profess the love, admiration, and gratitude we feel—a practice shown to improve health and wellness, while lifting the spirits of someone we care about. And during these challenging times, that's definitely a task worth completing.

1. Thank you

Writing a letter to someone who is working on the health care front line, or send a brief note to a loved one expressing gratitude. Offering someone thanks for the things they've done, both big and small, is a wonderful gift we can give to them and ourselves. Kindness and compassion will help get us through the pandemic and a thank-you note is an excellent way to recognize both.



2. I'm sorry

There no benefit to hanging onto something that has been weighing on our conscience. Telling someone we're sorry for something we did to disappoint them, that we feel badly about the disintegration of the relationship or that we weren't there for them when experienced a loss may not be easy, but it is beneficial to both. If this global crisis has taught us anything, is that we shouldn't sweat the small stuff. Here's our chance to put those words into action.

(5 letters, continued)

3. You're the best

Imagine how great we would feel if someone took the time to share all the ways in which they admire us? Now, let's use those warm and fuzzy feelings as inspiration to do the same for another. We might admire them for their grit, their kind or their kick-back ways, but we can never go wrong by letting someone know they're seen and appreciated. A letter might be touching them at a time when they most need to be reminded how special they are and that they have the strength to get through the current challenge.

4. Thinking of you

Living through a public health emergency is incredibly difficult, and is harder for some more than others. Even if we've suffered our own losses—a job, ability to travel, in-person contact with loved ones or worse—letting others know they are on our mind and in our heart can be healing for all of us. Getting through tough times together is far easier than alone. Let's make sure the people we care about know we are there for them and they'll likely be there for us, too.

5. Do you remember?

We might not be able to recall the last time we went out in public without a mask and concerns about the health risks caused by COVID-19, but we can probably easily remember a past great night, trip or laugh with a good friend or family member. Let's lift someone's mood by reminding them of all those good times we had together and make a point of suggesting new activities and adventures we can plan once this emergency has passed.



Love, hope, and positivity can be far more infectious than a virus. Let's make a point to spread them by writing a letter or two today!

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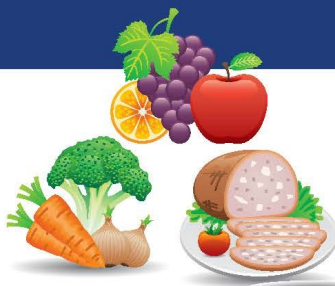
Ways to Eat Well As You Get Older



Know what a healthy plate looks like

See how to build a healthy plate at ChooseMyPlate.gov

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Look for important nutrients

Eat enough protein, fruits and vegetables, whole grains, low-fat dairy, and Vitamin D.

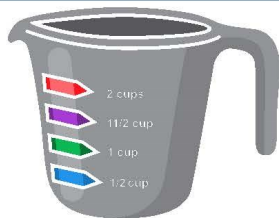
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Read nutrition labels

Be a smart shopper! Find items that are lower in fat, added sugars, and sodium.

3



Use recommended servings

Learn the recommended daily servings for adults aged 60+ at heart.org

4



Stay hydrated

Water is an important nutrient too! Drink fluids consistently throughout the day.

5



Stretch your food budget

Get help paying for healthy food at BenefitsCheckUp.org/getSNAP

6

City of Kenai
Kenai Senior Center

Our Mission Statement

To serve as a community focal point for senior services where adults 60+ come together for fellowship and program participation, to engage in opportunities for dignity and personal growth, to improve and enrich their quality of life, to support the needs of older individuals, to enhance their independence, and to broaden their involvement within the community.

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Kenai City Council - Regular Meeting

December 02, 2020 – 6:00 PM

Kenai City Council Chambers

210 Fidalgo Avenue, Kenai, Alaska

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Action Agenda

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Agenda Approval
4. Consent Agenda (*Public comment limited to three (3) minutes) per speaker; thirty (30) minutes aggregated*)

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B. SCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENTS

(Public comment limited to ten (10) minutes per speaker)

C. UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENTS

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D. COUNCIL APPOINTMENT

1. **VICTORIA ASKIN APPOINTED TO CITY COUNCIL.** Selection of Appointee with the Continuation of Interviews if Needed. [Clerk's Note: Council May Convene into Executive Session to Discuss this Agenda Item which May be a Subject that Tends to Prejudice the Reputation and Character of the Candidates for the Vacant City Council Seat (AS 44.62.310(C)(2))]
2. Appointee Oath of Office

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **ENACTED UNANIMOUSLY. Ordinance No. 3166-2020** - Increasing Estimated Revenues and Appropriations in the Airport Special Revenue and Airport Improvements Capital Project Funds and Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement to Develop Condition Assessments for the Airfield Drainage Safety Area and Asphalt Runway Areas of the Kenai Municipal Airport.

2. **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY. Resolution No. 2020-90** - Approving the Use of the Fleet Replacement Fund for the Purchase of Three Police Department Trucks Utilizing the State of Alaska Equipment Fleet Contract.
3. **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY. Resolution No. 2020-91** - Authorizing a Budget Transfer in the COVID-19 CARES Act Recovery Fund to Increase Funding for Housing Assistance, Food Assistance, and First Responder Payroll.
4. **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY. Resolution No. 2020-92** - Adopting an Alternative Allocation Method for the FY21 Shared Fisheries Business Tax Program and Certifying that this Allocation Method Fairly Represents the Distribution of Significant Effects of Fisheries Business Activity in FMA 14: Cook Inlet.

F. **MINUTES**

1. **APPROVED BY THE CONSENT AGENDA.** *Regular Meeting of November 4, 2020.

G. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

H. **NEW BUSINESS**

1. **APPROVED BY THE CONSENT AGENDA.** *Action/Approval - Bills to be Ratified.
2. **INTRODUCED BY THE CONSENT AGENDA/PUBLIC HEARING SET FOR 12/16/2020.**
***Ordinance No. 3167-2020** - Increasing Estimated Revenues and Appropriations in the Cares Act Recovery Special Revenue Fund.
3. **INTRODUCED BY THE CONSENT AGENDA/PUBLIC HEARING SET FOR 12/16/2020.**
***Ordinance No. 3168-2020** - Increasing Estimated Revenues and Appropriations in the Airport Operations Facility, Airport Snow Removal Equipment, Terminal Improvement, Airport Improvements, Personal Use Fishery, Animal Control Improvements, Public Safety Improvements, City Shop Improvements, Municipal Roadway Improvements, Water and Sewer Improvements, and Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements Capital Project Funds to Transfer Residual Balances from Completed or Canceled Projects Back to their Original Funding Sources.
4. **INTRODUCED BY THE CONSENT AGENDA/PUBLIC HEARING SET FOR 12/16/2020.**
***Ordinance No. 3169-2020** - Increasing Estimated Revenues and Appropriations in the General Fund, Finance Department for the Payment of Fees in Connection with the Collection of Remote Seller Sales Tax by the Alaska Remote Seller Sales Tax Commission on Behalf of the City of Kenai.
5. **INTRODUCED BY THE CONSENT AGENDA/PUBLIC HEARING SET FOR 12/16/2020.**
***Ordinance No. 3170-2020** - Accepting and Appropriating a Grant from the State of Alaska for the Purchase of Library Books.
6. **INTRODUCED BY THE CONSENT AGENDA/PUBLIC HEARING SET FOR 12/16/2020.**
***Ordinance No. 3171-2020** - Accepting and Appropriating a State of Alaska Grant Passed through the Southern Region EMS Council, Inc. for Two Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) Trainers and One Advanced Life Support (ALS) Skills Training Mannequin.

7. **INTRODUCED BY THE CONSENT AGENDA/PUBLIC HEARING SET FOR 12/16/2020.**
*Ordinance No. 3172-2020 - Waiving the \$5,000 Limitation in KMC 7.25.020 (A) for Allocating CARES Act Funds to Allow the City Manager to Allocate the Funds to the Proper Account as Needs Arise and Time to Utilize the Funds Expires, and Declaring an Emergency.
8. **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY AS AMENDED. Action/Approval** - Amendment to a Special Use Permit to RAVN for Additional Space of Warm Storage.
9. **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY. Action/Approval** - Council Confirmation of Mayoral Nominations to the City's Commissions and Committee.
10. **APPOINTMENTS OF GLENDA FEEKEN, DEREK LEICHLITER, PAUL MINELGA, TERRI WILSON, DON ERWIN, RACHAEL CRAIG, MIKE DUNN, BOB PETERS, T. GRAND WISNIEWSKI, AND DAVID RIGALL CONFIRMED. Discussion** - Future Council and Commission Meeting Format.

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1. Council on Aging report.
2. Airport Commission report.
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4. Parks and Recreation report.
5. Beautification Committee report.
6. Mini-Grant Steering Committee report.

J. REPORT OF THE MAYOR

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1. City Manager report.
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M. EXECUTIVE SESSION – See D.1.

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O. ADJOURNMENT

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1. Purchase Orders Between \$2,500 and \$15,000.

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5. **COUNCIL MEMBER MOLLOY ELECTED VICE MAYOR. Election of Vice Mayor**
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1. **ENACTED UNANIMOUSLY. Ordinance No. 3165-2020** - Accepting and Appropriating a Grant From the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Passed Through the State of Alaska Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs to Update the City's Emergency Operations Plan. (Administration)
2. **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY. Resolution No. 2020-83** - Approving an Auto Aid Agreement and Supporting Operational Plan with Kenai Peninsula Borough for Exchange of Personnel and Equipment Response to Structure Fires. (Administration)
3. **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY. Resolution No. 2020-84** - Authorizing the Award of a Facility Management Services Agreement for the Kenai Multi-Purpose Facility. (Administration)
4. **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY. 2020-85** - Establishing Dates for Regular Meetings of the City Council for 2021. (City Clerk)

5. **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY. Resolution No. 2020-86** - Authorizing a Budget Transfer in the Senior Citizen Fund Home Meals Department. (Administration)
6. **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY. Resolution No. 2020-87** - Authorizing the Purchase of Real Property Described as Tract A, Block 18, Original Townsite of Kenai Bluff Replat for the Public Purpose of Including the Property in the Kenai Bluff Bank Stabilization Project and Determining that Public Interest Will Not be Served by an Appraisal. (Administration)
7. **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY. Resolution No. 2020-88** - Amending the City's Grant Disbursement Program Utilizing Funds from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to Provide a Grant For The Challenger Learning Center Of Alaska For The Provision Of Educational Services. (Administration)

E. MINUTES

1. **APPROVED BY THE CONSENT AGENDA.** *Regular Meeting of October 21, 2020. (City Clerk)

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. **APPROVED BY THE CONSENT AGENDA.** *Action/Approval - Bills to be Ratified. (Administration)
2. **APPROVED BY THE CONSENT AGENDA.** *Action/Approval - Purchase Orders Over \$15,000. (Administration)
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5. **NOMINATIONS APPROVED. Action/Approval** - Mayoral Nominations of Council Liaisons for Appointment to Committees and Commissions. (Mayor Gabriel)
6. **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY. Action/Approval** - Special Use Permit to RAVN Alaska for Warm Storage of the De-Icing Truck. (Administration)
7. **Discussion** - Response to COVID-19. (Administration)

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