

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The special meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on June 20, 2006, at the Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 4 p.m. by Mayor Anderson for the purpose of discussing the selection of the Borough Attorney.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Assembly members present and establishing a quorum were:

Ms. Lynne Woods, Assembly District No. 1  
Mr. Bill Allen, Assembly District No. 2  
Mr. Talis J. Colberg, Assembly District No. 3  
Ms. Mary Kvalheim, Assembly District No. 4  
Mr. Jim Colver, Assembly District No. 6 (*Deputy Mayor*)  
Ms. Betty Vehrs, Assembly District No. 7

Assembly members absent and excused were:

Ms. Cindy Bettine, Assembly District No. 5

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Michelle M. McGehee, CMC, Borough Clerk

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Anderson inquired if there were any changes to the agenda.

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

**IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Anderson.

**V. EXECUTIVE SESSION** (*for subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person provided the person may request a public discussion.*)

**A. DISCUSSION FOR BOROUGH ATTORNEY SELECTION**

Mayor Anderson advised that Mr. Nicholas Spiropoulos was the only candidate for the Borough Attorney position, as the other candidate withdrew their name.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kvalheim moved to offer the Borough Attorney position to Mr. Nicholas Spiropoulos effective immediately.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

Mayor Anderson:

- congratulated Mr. Spiropoulos on his new position; and
- advised that the Assembly and Mr. Spiropoulos needed to discuss salary.

Discussion ensued regarding the salary for the Borough Attorney position.

*(The special meeting recessed at 4:13 p.m. and reconvened at 4:20 p.m.)*

Mayor Anderson:

- advised that the previous Borough Attorney's starting salary was \$90,000 a year; and
- queried whether Mr. Spiropoulos had a salary amount in mind.

Mr. Spiropoulos advised that he had expected to start at the same salary as the previous Borough Attorney.

MOTION: Assemblymember Vehrs moved to offer Mr. Spiropoulos a \$90,000 yearly salary.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

## **VI. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

*(There were no persons present who wished to testify.)*

## **VII. MAYOR, ASSEMBLY, AND STAFF COMMENTS**

Mr. Spiropoulos:

- thanked the Assembly for making their decision; and
- advised that his first two orders of business are to fill the Deputy Borough Attorney position and the Administrative Secretary II position open in the office.

Mayor Anderson thanked Mr. Spiropoulos for the work he has been doing in the Attorney's office.

Assemblymember Vehrs:

- thanked Mr. Spiropoulos for the way he has handled the Texas Showgirls issue; and
- advised that the Board of Adjustment and Appeals upheld the Borough's enforcement order served to the Texas Showgirls.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The special meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

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JIM COLVER, Deputy Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

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MICHELLE M. MCGEHEE, CMC, Borough Clerk

Minutes approved: 07/18/06