

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on December 1, 2015, at the Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. by Deputy Mayor Beck.

II. ROLL CALL

Assembly members present and establishing a quorum were:

- Mr. Jim Sykes, Assembly District No. 1
- Mr. Matthew Beck, Assembly District No. 2 (*Deputy Mayor*)
- Mr. George McKee, Assembly District No. 3
- Mr. Dan Mayfield, Assembly District No. 5
- Ms. Barbara Doty, Assembly District No. 6
- Mr. Randall Kowalke, Assembly District No. 7

Assembly members absent and excused were:

- Mr. Steve Colligan, Assembly District No. 4

Staff in attendance were:

- Ms. Lonnie R. McKechnie, Borough Clerk
- Mr. John Moosey, Borough Manager
- Mr. George Hays, Assistant Borough Manager
- Mr. Nicholas Spiropoulos, Borough Attorney
- Ms. Brenda J. Henry, Assistant Clerk
- Mr. Jude Bilafer, Capital Projects Director
- Ms. Tammy Clayton, Finance Director
- Mr. Terrance Dolan, Public Works Director
- Ms. Eileen Probasco, Planning and Land Use Director
- Mr. Bill Gamble, Emergency Services Director
- Ms. Patty Sullivan, Public Affairs Director
- Mr. Eric Phillips, Community Development Director
- Mr. Eric Wyatt, Information Technology Director

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Beck 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 Mr. George Hays, Assistant Borough Manager

V. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS

- A. Special Assembly Meeting: 09/01/15
- B. Regular Assembly Meeting: 09/01/15
- C. Joint Assembly/School Board Meeting: 09/08/15
- D. Special Assembly Meeting: 09/15/15
- E. Regular Assembly Meeting: 09/15/15
- F. Special Assembly Meeting: 09/29/15
- G. Joint Assembly/Planning Commission Meeting: 10/27/15
- H. Regular Assembly Meeting: 11/03/15

Deputy Mayor Beck inquired if there were any changes/corrections to the special or regular meeting minutes of September 1, 2014, the joint Assembly/School Board meeting minutes of September 8, 2015, the special or regular meeting minutes of September 15, 2015, the special meeting minutes of September 29, 2015, the joint Assembly/Planning Commission meeting minutes of October 27, 2015, or the regular meeting minutes of November 3, 2015.

GENERAL CONSENT: The minutes were approved as presented without objection.

VI. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE

A. AGENCY REPORTS

1. Reports from cities

Wasilla City

Mayor Bert Cottle:

- spoke to the Wasilla Community Christmas festivities that will be on Saturday, December 5, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Wasilla Museum; and
- noted that the City supports Resolution Serial Nos. 15-108 and 15-114 and will also be doing resolutions in support.

2. Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District

(There was no report provided.)

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Joint Assembly/School Board Committee on School Issues

(There was no report provided.)

2. Assembly Public Relations

(There were no reports provided.)

C. MANAGER COMMENTS

1. State/Federal Legislation
2. Strategic Planning Issues

Mr. Moosey:

- spoke to the Borough's free Christmas tree program;
- noted that the Borough has received over 300 applications as of today;
- related that Channel 11 will be doing a feature on the free tree program and that the Frontiersman has already written an article on it;
- stated that he is happy to be able to offer this to the community;
- advised that staff will be meeting this week to discuss the online checkbook; and
- provided a copy of the Smart Community Brochure.

Mr. Eric Wyatt, Information and Technology Director, summarized what a Smart Community is.

D. ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Mr. Spiropoulos:

- noted that the Public Employees Retirement System litigation has settled; and
- advised that if the body has any questions regarding that settlement to please let him know.

E. CLERK COMMENTS

Ms. McKechnie:

- spoke regarding the upcoming meeting schedule;
- noted that it was requested to schedule a special meeting on January 12, at 4 p.m. to discuss Title 17, Zoning and Title 43, Subdivisions; and
- queried if that was a meeting the body would like to schedule.

Assemblymember Sykes requested to take up the question of scheduling the meeting after AM No. 15-155.

Deputy Mayor Beck queried if there was any objection.

There was no objection noted.

F. CITIZEN AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

1. MSB Board/Committee Minutes:

- a. Big Lake RSA Board of Supervisors: 07/09/15
- b. Central Mat-Su FSA Board of Supervisors: 08/10/15
- c. Emergency Medical Services Board: 04/01/15
- d. Enhanced 911 Advisory Board: 06/09/15
- e. Greater Willow RSA Board of Supervisors: 06/25/15

- f. Library Board: 08/15/15
- g. Local Road Service Area Advisory Board: 06/18/15
- h. Marijuana Advisory Committee: 09/17/15
- i. Midway RSA Board of Supervisors: Resolution 15-01, 15-02
- j. Platting Board: 09/17/15
- k. Planning Commission: Resolution Nos. 15-38, 15-40(AM)

2. Community Council Minutes:

- a. Big Lake Community Council: 08/11/15
- b. Lazy Mountain Community Council: 04/09/15
- c. Sutton Community Council: 07/29/15, 08/26/15
- d. Trapper Creek Community Council: 08/20/15

The citizen and other correspondence were presented and no comments were noted.

G. INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUMS

- 1. **IM No. 15-247:** Reporting Of Conclusion Of Contract For Bid No. 14-170B To Earhart Roofing, Inc. For Willow Elementary School Roof Replacement For The Final Contract Amount Of \$1,328,226.53.
- 2. **IM No. 15-248:** Reporting Of Conclusion Of Contract For Bid No. 14-064B To F-E Contracting, Inc. For Palmer High School Renovation Re-Bid For The Final Contract Amount Of \$4,607,631.
- 3. **IM No. 15-249:** Reporting Of Conclusion Of Contract For Bid No. 15-020B To Tutka, LLC. For Athletic Field And Court Improvements For The Final Contract Amount Of \$638,536.74.
- 4. **IM No. 15-250:** Reporting Of Conclusion Of Contract For Bid No. 16-011B To Triple V Contracting, LLC. For Big Lake Elementary School Renovation, Second Floor Carpet, For The Final Contract Amount Of \$220,660.
- 5. **IM No. 15-251:** Reporting Of Conclusion Of Contract For Bid No. 15-013B To Wolverine Supply, Inc. For Swanson Elementary School Exterior Envelope Upgrades For The Final Contract Amount Of \$234,232.47.

The informational memorandums were presented and no comments were noted.

VII. SPECIAL ORDERS

- A. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (Three minutes per person.)

1. Ms. Patricia Rosnel – Transparency: Borough Checkbook Online

Ms. Patricia Rosnel spoke to her concerns with transparency and the need for the Borough's checkbook to be online.

2. Ms. Patricia Rosnel – Ordinance Serial No. 15-112, Dirtworks Interim Material District

Ms. Patricia Rosnel spoke to her concerns that staff is not enforcing the site plan for the interim materials district for Dirtworks.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS (Three minutes per person.)

1. **Ordinance Serial No. 15-144:** An Ordinance Approving An Appropriation Of \$40,000 From Lazy Mountain Road Service Area No. 19 Fund Balance, Fund 275, To Fund 410, Project No. 30041, For Lazy Mountain Road Service Area No. 19 Capital Projects.

- a. IM No. 15-227

Deputy Mayor Beck opened the public hearing.

The following person spoke to concerns with Ordinance Serial No. 15-144: Mr. Eugene Carl Haberman.

There being no others present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 15-144.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved a primary amendment to Ordinance Serial No. 15-144, by striking the fifth whereas clause that reads: "Whereas, there is no active Board of Supervisors for this road service area."

VOTE: The primary amendment passed without objection.

VOTE: The main motion passed as amended without objection.

2. **Ordinance Serial No. 15-145:** An Ordinance Approving An Appropriation Of \$60,000 From Greater Willow Road Service Area No. 20 Fund Balance, Fund 276, To Fund 410, Project No. 30042, For Greater Willow Road Service Area No. 20 Capital Projects.

- a. IM No. 15-228

Deputy Mayor Beck opened the public hearing.

There being no one present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kowalke moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 15-145.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

3. **Ordinance Serial No. 15-146:** An Ordinance Approving An Appropriation Of \$10,000 From North Colony Road Service Area No. 23 Fund Balance, Fund 278, To Fund 410, Project No. 30044, For North Colony Road Service Area No. 23 Capital Projects.
 - a. IM No. 15-231

Deputy Mayor Beck opened the public hearing.

There being no one present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 15-146.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

4. **Ordinance Serial No. 15-147:** An Ordinance Accepting And Appropriating A Deposit From The Philippine Red Cross In The Amount Of \$250,000 Deposit To Purchase The Vessel, To Fund 450, For Engine Repairs.
 - a. IM No. 15-234

Deputy Mayor Beck opened the public hearing.

The following person spoke to concerns with the size of the font used in the contract: Mr. Eugene Carl Haberman.

There being no others present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

MOTION: Assemblymember Beck moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 15-147.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

5. **Ordinance Serial No. 15-148:** An Ordinance Appropriating \$870,000 From Areawide Fund 100, Major Repair And Renovations Reserve To Fund 450, For M/V Susitna Ferry Engine Repairs, Project No. 70013, And Re-Appropriating The \$870,000 Back To The Areawide Fund 100, Major Repair And Renovations Reserve Once The Insurance Settlement Funds Are Received.
 - a. **Resolution Serial No. 15-105:** A Resolution Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget For The M/V Susitna Ferry Engine Repairs, Project No. 70013.
 - (1) IM No. 15-252

Deputy Mayor Beck opened the public hearing.

The following person opined that legislation should include the full names of originators: Mr. Eugene Carl Haberman.

The following persons spoke to concerns with the ferry: Ms. Cathy Hummel, Ms. Helen Munoz, Mr. Brad Empey, Mr. Pio Cottini, Mr. Frank Cross, and Ms. Patricia Rosnel.

There being no others present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 15-148 and Resolution Serial No. 15-105.

MOTION: Assemblymember Mayfield moved a primary amendment to Ordinance Serial No. 15-148, Resolution Serial No. 15-105, and IM 15-252, by striking "\$870,000" throughout the legislation and inserting in its place "\$850,000" and by striking "\$1,120,000" throughout the legislation and inserting in its place "\$1,100,000."

VOTE: The primary amendment passed without objection.

MOTION: Assemblymember Mayfield moved a primary amendment to Ordinance Serial No. 15-148 as follows:

- by inserting at the end of the title "And appropriation of \$2,500,000 from the Land Management Permanent Fund, to fund 450, project no. 70012, as a loan to fund 520, to fund emergency repairs to the Port MacKenzie Barge Dock, which will be paid back by transfers from the areawide fund until the Port generates revenues;"
- by inserting the following "whereas" clauses after the last "whereas" clause:
 - "Whereas, an immediate failure is possible at Port MacKenzie Barge Dock;
 - Whereas, an appropriation is necessary to provide funds for the repairs;
 - Whereas, an emergency exists at Port MacKenzie because one of the 15 cells in the barge dock is failing and may cause catastrophic loss;
 - Whereas, AS 29.25.030 allows for immediate adoption of emergency ordinances;
 - Whereas, an amendment is being made to this previously introduced appropriation ordinance which will broaden the scope of the appropriation to include action to make funds available for the immediate necessary repairs;" and
- by amending Section 2, Appropriation Source, by adding the following at the end of the paragraph: "and appropriate \$2,500,000 from the Land Management Permanent Fund, to fund 450, project no. 70012, as a loan to fund 520, to fund emergency repairs to the Port MacKenzie Barge Dock, which will be paid back by transfers from the areawide fund until the Port generates revenues

VOTE: The primary amendment passed with Assemblymember McKee opposed.

MOTION: Assemblymember Mayfield moved a primary amendment to Resolution Serial No. 15-105 as follows:

- by inserting at the end of the title “and authorization to enter into contract no. 16-064 with Associated Maritime Providers Inc. in the amount of \$1,100,000;”
- inserting the following “whereas” clauses after the last “whereas” clause:
 - “Whereas, prior to the sale of the MV Susitna, major repairs of the diesel engines must be completed;
 - Whereas, due to the short timeframe for these repairs due to the pending sale of the vessel, quotes were solicited from 2 providers;
 - Whereas, contractors were required to use the same certified engine repair contractor and the difference in price is attributed to location and overhead costs;
 - Whereas, due to the short timeframe available, the limited number of providers and the need to expedite the repairs, a waiver to the formal bidding procedures was authorized in accordance with MSB 3.08.320;” and
- by inserting a “be it further resolved” clause to read “that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly authorizes contract 16-064 with Associated Maritime Providers Inc. for repairs to the MV Susitna engines in the amount of \$1,100,000.

VOTE: The primary amendment passed without objection.

VOTE: The main motion passed as amended with Assemblymember McKee opposed.

C. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Three minutes per person.)

The following persons spoke in opposition to Resolution Serial No. 15-103, to change the time of Platting Board meetings: Mr. Pio Cottini; and Mr. Jay Van Diest, Platting Board Chair.

The following person spoke to concerns with the conditional use permitting process: Mr. Brad Empey.

The following person spoke to concerns with the public process: Mr. Eugene Carl Haberman.

The following person spoke to concerns with taxes and conditional use permits: Ms. Cathy Hummel.

The following persons spoke in support of governmental transparency: Ms. Patricia Rosnel and Mr. Gregory Nielson.

(The meeting recessed at 7:50 p.m. and reconvened at 8 p.m.)

D. CONSENT AGENDA

1. RESOLUTIONS

a. **Resolution Serial No. 15-106:** A Resolution Recommending The Assembly Authorize A Loan Application To The Alaska State Department Of Environmental Conservation, Alaska Clean Water Fund, In The Amount Of \$5,000,000 For Design And Construction Of A Leachate Pipeline System, Holding Ponds, And Access Road.

(1) IM No. 15-179

b. **Resolution Serial No. 15-107:** A Resolution Amending The Scope Of Work For Project No. 45277, To Purchase A Patient Transport Vehicle And Related Supplies And Equipment For Lake Louise Ambulance.

(1) IM No. 15-237

d. **Resolution Serial No. 15-109:** A Resolution Authorizing Participation In And Submission Of An Application Under The Federal Fiscal Year 2015 Community Development Block Grant Program For Grant Funds In An Amount Not To Exceed \$850,000 For The Demolition And Site Cleanup Of The Old Talkeetna Library.

(1) IM No. 15-239

e. **Resolution Serial No. 15-110:** A Resolution Establishing Dates Certain For Payment, Delinquency, Protest, And Appeal Of 2016 Regular Assessment And Tax Rolls, And Business Inventory Filing, And For The Commencement Of Hearings Before The Board Of Equalization.

(1) IM No. 15-241

g. **Resolution Serial No. 15-112:** A Resolution Establishing A Joint Assembly/Port Commission Committee On Port Development Issues. *(Sponsored By Mayor Halter)*

(1) IM No. 15-245

h. **Resolution Serial No. 15-113:** A Resolution Approving The Amended Budgets And Transfer Of Funds From Clapp/Mack Road Extension, Wasilla Sports Center, To Knik Goose Bay Road Improvements, Project No. 35403, To Collector Road Access To Machetanz Elementary School, Also Known As Trunk Road Extension South, Project No. 35402, In The Amount Of \$900,000; And To Old Glenn Highway Paved Pathway In Butte, Project No. 35412, In The Amount Of \$100,000.

(1) IM No. 15-254

i. **Resolution Serial No. 15-114:** A Resolution Requesting That The Alaska State Board Of Fisheries Hold The 2017 Upper Cook Inlet Board Of Fisheries Meeting In Anchorage.

(1) IM No. 15-255

2. ACTION MEMORANDUMS

- a. **AM No. 15-148:** Award Of Solicitation No. 16-004P To R2 Resource Consultants, Inc. In The Contract Amount Of \$101,723.20 For Salmon Research, Monitoring, And Evaluation In Upper Cook Inlet; And For Six Studies To The Alaska State Department Of Fish And Game In The Combined Total Of \$854,621.
- e. **AM No. 15-156:** Approval Of Change Order No. 2 To Northern Asphalt Construction, Inc. In The Amount Of \$53,952 Adding Additional Quantities And Work As Part Of The 2015-2016 Roads Paving Project, Project Nos. 30040, 30042 And 30048.
- g. **AM No. 15-158:** Authorize The Continued Use Of Five Star Team For An Anticipated Amount Not To Exceed \$150,000 For The Implementation Of The Time Entry And Reporting System.

Ms. McKechnie read the above legislation into the record.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved to approve the consent agenda as read into the record by the Clerk.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

- c. **Resolution Serial No. 15-108:** A Resolution Supporting A Full \$60,000,000 From The State Of Alaska Into The Revenue Sharing Fund On An Annual Basis.
(1) IM No. 15-238

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved to adopt Resolution Serial No. 15-108.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved a primary amendment to Resolution Serial No. 15-108, by striking "\$60,000,000" and inserting "between \$50,000,000 and \$60,000,000" in its place throughout legislation.

VOTE: The primary amendment passed with Assemblymembers Kowalke and Mayfield opposed.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved a primary amendment to Resolution Serial No. 15-108, by inserting two new whereas clauses after the fourth whereas clause to read:

- "Whereas, the smaller municipalities use these funds to provide basic services, such as snow removal, public building maintenance, harbor upkeep, fuel, and insurance; and
- Whereas, direct funding to 20 community councils across the Borough has provided a wide variety of locally important community needs such as emergency preparedness, safety, health and wellness, community council meeting place improvements and supplies, upgrades for parks, historic buildings, trails, and bridges."

VOTE: The primary amendment passed without objection.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved reconsider the primary amendment striking "\$60,000,000" and inserting "between \$50,000,000 and \$60,000,000" throughout legislation.

VOTE: The motion for reconsideration passed without objection.

VOTE: The primary amendment failed unanimously.

VOTE: The main motion passed without objection.

f. **Resolution Serial No. 15-111:** A Resolution Approving The Amended Scope Of Work For Project No. 30092, Purchase Hydraulic Excavator, Project No. 30092, Purchase Two-Ton Trailer; And Project No. 30092, Purchase Dual Drum Roller Compactor With Trailer, To Include The Purchase Of A Forklift And Accessories For The Forklift, Project No. 30092.1810.

(1) IM No. 15-244

MOTION: Assemblymember Kowalke moved to adopt Resolution Serial No. 15-111.

VOTE: The motion failed with Assemblymembers Doty, Kowalke, and Beck opposed and Assemblymembers Sykes, McKee, and Mayfield in support (tie vote).

b. **AM No. 15-150:** Approval Of Change Order No. 3 To Contract No. 14-097 With HDR Alaska, Inc. In An Amount Not To Exceed \$187,000 For The Long Range Transportation Plan.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kowalke moved to adopt AM No. 15-150.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kowalke moved to postpone AM No. 15-150 to a time certain of December 15, 2015.

VOTE: The motion to postpone passed without objection.

c. **AM No. 15-152:** Approval Of A Contract Extension For State Lobbyist Services To Harris Consulting In An Amount Not To Exceed \$80,400 Per Year.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kowalke moved to adopt AM No. 15-152.

VOTE: The motion passed with Assemblymembers Kowalke and McKee opposed.

d. **AM No. 15-155:** Matanuska-Susitna Borough Regular Assembly Meeting Schedule Dates For 2016.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved to adopt AM No. 15-155.

MOTION: Assemblymembers Sykes moved a primary amendment to AM No. 15-155 as follows:

- by striking “January 5” and inserting “January 12” in its place; and
- by striking “January 19” and inserting “January 26” in its place.

VOTE: The primary amendment passed without objection.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved a primary amendment to AM No. 15-155 by striking the July 19 meeting.

VOTE: The primary amendment passed without objection.

VOTE: The main motion passed as amended without objection.

f. **AM No. 15-157:** Road Service Area Road Improvements; Road Maintenance And Repair Capital Projects – Summer 2016.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kowalke moved to adopt AM No. 15-157.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Assemblymember Kowalke declared a conflict of interest as the street he lives on is listed in the road improvement list.

RULING: Deputy Mayor Beck ruled that Assemblymember Kowalke had a conflict of interest and would be recused from voting.

(Assemblymember Kowalke exited the meeting.)

MOTION: Assemblymember Mayfield moved to postpone AM No. 15-157 to a time certain of December 15, 2015.

VOTE: The motion to postpone passed without objection.

(Kowalke re-entered the meeting.)

h. **AM No. 15-159:** Destruction Of Ballots From The October 6, 2015, Regular Borough Election.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved to adopt AM No. 15-159.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved a primary amendment to AM No. 15-159, by inserting the following language prior to the recommendation of administration: “All ballots excepting the materials that are under appeal as of the date of this legislation may be destroyed. Materials that are under appeal may be destroyed once the administrative review and appeal time has been completed.”

VOTE: The primary amendment passed without objection.

VOTE: The main motion passed as amended without objection.

(The meeting recessed at 8:55 p.m. and reconvened at 9 p.m.)

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. **Ordinance Serial No. 15-141:** An Ordinance Approving An Appropriation Of \$50,000 From Big Lake Road Service Area No. 21 Fund Balance, Fund 277, To Fund 410, Project No. 30043, For Big Lake Road Service Area No. 21 Capital Projects.
1. IM No. 15-218

MOTION PENDING: Assemblymember Mayfield moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 15-141.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

- B. **Resolution Serial No. 15-103:** A Resolution Amending The Platting Procedures Pamphlet, To Change The Platting Board Meetings From Morning To Evening Meetings.
1. IM No. 15-224

MOTION PENDING: Assemblymember Sykes moved to adopt Resolution Serial No. 15-103.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kowalke moved a primary moved a primary amendment to Resolution Serial No. 15-103, by striking "8:30 a.m." and inserting "10 a.m." in its place.

MOTION: Assemblymember Doty moved secondary amendment by striking "10 a.m." and inserting "1 p.m." in its place.

VOTE: The secondary amendment passed without objection.

VOTE: The primary amendment passed as amended without objection.

VOTE: The main motion passed as amended without objection.

IX. VETO

(There were no vetoes presented.)

X. NEW BUSINESS

- A. INTRODUCTIONS (For public hearing – 12/15/15 Assembly Chambers)

1. **Resolution Serial No. 15-115:** A Resolution Adopting The Capital Improvement Program For Fiscal Year 2017 To Fiscal Year 2022.
- a. IM No. 15-240

2. **Ordinance Serial No. 15-149:** An Ordinance Appropriating \$140,000 From The Greater Palmer Consolidated Fire Service Area Fund Balance, Fund 259, To Fund 405, Project No. 45215, For The Purchase Of An Enclosed Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Trailer And Related Equipment.
 - a. **Resolution Serial No. 15-116:** A Resolution Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget For Project No. 45215 For The Purchase Of An Enclosed Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Trailer And Related Equipment.
 - (1) IM No. 15-226
3. **Ordinance Serial No. 15-150:** An Ordinance Amending MSB 17.28.090(A), Adding An Interim Materials District Known As Trapper Creek Gravel, Located Within Township 26 North, Range 5 West, Section 20, Parcel B8, Tax Id No. 26N05W20B008, Seward Meridian.
 - a. IM No. 15-236
4. **Ordinance Serial No. 15-151:** An Ordinance Approving An Appropriation Of \$209,000 From The Midway Road Service Area No. 9 Fund Balance, Fund 270, To Fund 410, Project No. 30036, For Midway Road Service Area No. 9 Capital Projects.
 - a. **Ordinance Serial No. 15-152:** An Ordinance Approving A Reappropriation Of \$60,000 From The Midway Road Service Area No. 9 Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget, Fund 270, To Fund 410, Project No. 30036, For Midway Road Service Area No. 9 Capital Projects.
 - (1) IM No. 15-242
 - (2) IM No. 15-243
5. **Ordinance Serial No. 15-153:** An Ordinance Amending MSB 4.75.005(A)(4), Membership; To Add An Additional Assembly Member Seat To The Fish And Wild Life Commission. *(Sponsored By Mayor Halter)*
 - a. IM No. 15-246

Ms. McKechnie read the above legislation into the record.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved to introduce the legislation as read into the record by the Clerk and set the public hearings for December 15, 2015.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

MAYORAL NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

1. VACANCY REPORT

(There were no confirmations requested.)

C. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

1. MOTION TO AMEND SOMETHING PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED *(Requested By Assemblymember Beck)*

a. **Ordinance Serial No. 15-121:** An Ordinance Accepting Late Filed Applications For Reduction Of Assessments And Abatement Of Taxes Resulting From Property Damaged By The Sockeye Fire. *(Previously Adopted On 10/20/15)*

(1) IM No. 15-121

MOTION: Assemblymember Doty moved to amend Ordinance Serial No. 15-121, which was previously adopted on October 20, 2015, by including the following names:

- Brenda Boyd – two properties;
- KC Brooks Family Trust – one property;
- Marie Mahurin-Wagner – one property; and
- Ty Miller – one property.

VOTE: The motion to amend something previously adopted passed without objection.

D. REFERRALS (For referral to the Planning Commission for 90 days or other date specified by the Assembly)

(There were no referrals presented.)

XI. RECONSIDERATION

Assemblymember Kowalke noticed that he will be filing for reconsideration of Resolution Serial No. 15-111 for the December 15, 2015.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved for immediate reconsideration of Ordinance Serial No. 15-148 and Resolution Serial No. 15-105.

WITHDRAWAL: Assemblymember Sykes moved to withdraw his reconsideration.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

MOTION: Assemblymember Sykes moved to direct the Manager to investigate whether it is possible to get a performance bond by the contractor and to not delay the work at Port MacKenzie.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

XII. MAYOR, ASSEMBLY, AND STAFF COMMENTS

Ms. McKechnie queried if the Assembly would like to schedule a special meeting for January 12, at 4 p.m. for Title 17 and Title 43 discussion.

Deputy Mayor Beck queried if there was any objection.

There was no objection noted.

Assemblymember Doty:

- spoke to the possibility of taxing earth materials extraction companies as a source of revenue;
- spoke in support of the governmental transparency; and
- noted it was unfortunate that an emergency appropriation needed to occur to repair Port MacKenzie.

Assemblymember Mayfield:

- expressed his appreciation of the Palmer High School Jazz Choir for coming to perform this evening;
- spoke to the Big Lake community tree lighting ceremony that will occur this Saturday; and
- stated his reasons for supporting the emergency appropriation to repair the Port MacKenzie barge dock.

Assemblymember Kowalke:

- thanked Deputy Mayor Beck for running a good meeting;
- stated his reasons for supporting the emergency appropriation to repair the Port MacKenzie barge dock; and
- noted that emergency appropriations are not his preferred method of accomplishing things.

Assemblymember Sykes:

- spoke to his appreciation of the performance by the Palmer High School Jazz Choir;
- reported on his trip to Washington, D.C.;
- reported on his attendance at the Alaska Municipal League conference;
- thanked Ms. Rosnel and Ms. Hummel for their public input;
- spoke in support of the emergency repairs to the Port MacKenzie barge dock;
- noted that there are many holiday events that are coming up; and
- thanked the body for the meeting.

Assemblymember McKee:

- noted that Assembly decisions impact the public for a long time;
- spoke to concerns with the Veteran's Memorial Wall being moved; and
- spoke in opposition to that occurring.

Deputy Mayor Beck:

- thanked Mr. Harris and the Palmer High Jazz Choir for their performance this evening;
- welcomed Ms. Jessica Kilborn as the new Deputy Borough Clerk;
- invited the body to attend the Colony Christmas festivities that begin in two weeks;
- spoke to the importance of Mt. McKinley meat processing plant;
- noted that Governor Walker has stated that he intends to fund it for another year; and
- noted that he and Mayor Halter will be attending a meeting with Governor Walker regarding the processing plant.

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

(There was no executive session held.)

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.



VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:



LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved: 01/12/16