

I. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on October 18, 2016, at the Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The special meeting was called to order at 5 p.m. by Mayor Vern Halter for the purpose of certifying the October 4, 2016, Regular Borough Election.

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
- Mr. Steve Colligan, Assembly District No. 4
- Mr. Dan Mayfield, Assembly District No. 5
- Mr. Randall Kowalke, Assembly District No. 7

Assembly members absent and excused were:

- Mr. George McKee, Assembly District No. 3
- Ms. Barbara Doty, Assembly District No. 6

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. Jessica Kilborn, Deputy Borough Clerk
- Ms. Joell Church, Records Management Officer
- Ms. Elaine Flagg, Records Micrographics/Scanning Technician
- Ms. Amy Bohmbach, Administrative Secretary I
- Ms. Debra Wetherhorn, Administrative Secretary II
- Ms. Benji Wood, Administrative Secretary I
- Ms. Patty Sullivan, Public Affairs Director

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Halter 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 Assemblymember Sykes.

V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

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

VI. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

A. Canvass Board Report

Ms. McKechnie:

- introduced and thanked members of the Canvass Board for their hard work and dedication; and
- requested that Ms. Geraldine Keeling provide the Canvass Board Report.

Ms. Keeling presented the Canvass Board Report.

B. Certification of October 4, 2016, Regular Borough Election

MOTION: Assemblymember Beck moved to certify the election results for the October 4, 2016, regular Borough election, as presented by the Canvass Board. (*See attached Election Certificate.*)

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

C. Oaths of Office for Newly Elected Officials Taking Office On October 24, 2016

Ms. McKechnie administered the oath of office to newly elected Assemblymembers Beck and Sykes, with terms beginning October 24, 2016.

VII. MAYOR, ASSEMBLY, AND STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Spiropolous commended the Canvass Board and congratulated the newly elected Assembly members.

Ms. McKechnie congratulated the newly elected Assembly Members and thanked the Clerk's Office staff for their hard work during the election.

Mr. Moosey congratulated the newly elected Assembly Members.

Assemblymember Colligan thanked the Canvass Board Members for their hard work on the election process.

Assemblymember Kowalke thanked the Canvass Board Members for their hard work and congratulated the newly elected Assembly Members.

Assemblymember Mayfield:

- thanked the Clerk's Office staff and Canvass Board for the hard work on the election; and
- congratulated the newly elected Assembly Members.

Assemblymember Sykes:

- thanked the Canvass Board for its hard work and spoke to the canvassing process;
- thanked all those who voted during the election;
- spoke to the voter turnout for the 2016 election; and
- noted that his goal would be to focus on problem solving during the upcoming term.

Assemblymember Beck:

- commended staff and those who helped with the election; and
- expressed honor for the privilege of serving.

Mayor Halter:

- thanked the Canvass Board and Clerk's Office staff for the hard work on the election;
- spoke to the voter turnout on the ballot propositions;
- thanked Assemblymembers Beck and Sykes for choosing to run again;
- noted he was pleased about where the Borough was heading regarding schools and infrastructure; and
- invited meeting attendees to celebrate the certification of the election with the Assembly.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The special meeting adjourned at 5:29 p.m.


VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:


LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved: 11/17/16

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
ASSEMBLY CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION
OCTOBER 4, 2016, REGULAR ELECTION**

The results of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Regular Election of October 4, 2016, are as follows:

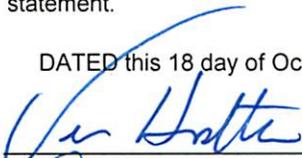
	<u>POLL</u>	<u>ABSENTEE & SPECIAL NEEDS</u>	<u>QUESTIONED</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 1				
ENDLE, Brian K.	1,327	154	17	1,498
SYKES, Jim	1,430	222	17	1,669
Write-in	32	5	0	37
ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 2				
BECK, Matthew J.	1,864	227	57	2,148
Write-in	106	12	1	119
SCHOOL BOARD 2				
MICHAELSON, Ray	1,040	134	33	1,207
POUGER, Susan	1,001	113	27	1,141
Write-in	36	7	0	43
SCHOOL BOARD 5				
RUTH, Yvonne V.	1,538	157	36	1,731
Write-in	90	7	1	98
SCHOOL BOARD 7				
DEARMAN, Donna N.	1,655	248	65	1,968
Write-in	87	15	3	105
PROPOSITION NO. B-1 PROHIBITING MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS EXCEPT THOSE INVOLVING INDUSTRIAL HEMP IN THE AREA OUTSIDE OF THE CITIES				
YES	7,272	1,044	378	8,694
NO	8,704	1,115	689	10,508
PROPOSITION NO. B-2 PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF A PARCEL INTO THE LAZY MOUNTAIN ROAD SERVICE AREA (EXISTING PROPERTIES)				
YES	210	28	1	239
NO	164	18	3	185
PROPOSITION NO. B-3 PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF A PARCEL INTO THE LAZY MOUNTAIN ROAD SERVICE AREA (PROPOSED PARCEL)				
YES		2		2
NO		0		0
PROPOSITION NO. B-4 PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND RELATED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS				
YES	8,606	1,118	615	10,339
NO	7,224	1,023	431	8,678

PROPOSITION NO. B-5 AREAWIDE RETAIL SALES TAX OF 5% ON MARIJUANA AND MARIJUANA PRODUCTS WITH A LIMITED EXEMPTION FOR SALES TAX PAID TO A CITY

YES	13,267	1,794	879	15,940
NO	2,536	348	180	3,064
	CAST			COUNTED
TOTAL POLL VOTERS:	16,039			16,039
TOTAL QUESTIONED BALLOTS:	1,322			1,073
TOTAL ABSENTEE AND SPECIAL NEEDS BALLOTS:	2,197			2,174
TOTAL:	19,558			19,286

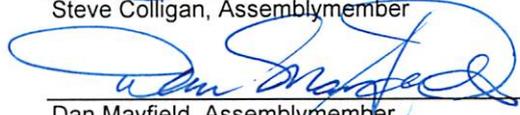
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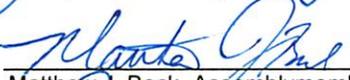
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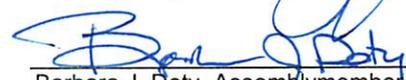

 Vern Halter, Borough Mayor

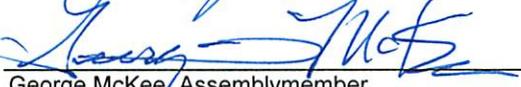

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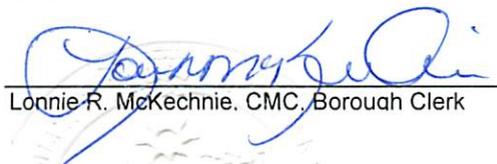

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