



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg AK, 99833

Meeting Minutes Borough Assembly

Monday, October 15, 2018

6:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

1. Call To Order/Roll Call

Mayor Jensen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: 6 - Mayor Mark Jensen, Assembly Member Brandi Marohl, Assembly Member Jeffrey Meucci, Assembly Member Jeigh Stanton Gregor, Assembly Member Kurt Wohlhueter and Assembly Member Bob Lynn

Excused: 1 - Assembly Member Taylor Norheim

2. Voluntary Pledge

The Pledge was recited.

3. Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes available for approval.

4. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved as submitted; however, during Assembly Discussion Items Member Meucci added two new subjects - Work Session on Recycling/Composting/Solid Waste and Chamber of Commerce Community Meeting Regarding Visitor Industry.

5. Public Hearings

There were no public hearings.

6. Bid Awards

There were no bid awards.

7. Visitors' Views Related to Agenda

Becky Knight, representing herself, spoke in support of Resolution #2018-13.

Dave Berg, representing himself and his business, Viking Travel, spoke in support of passage of Ordinance #2018-19.

James Whitethorn, representing himself, spoke on the draft zoning code and provided suggestions for amendments to the draft.

8. Visitors' Views Unrelated to Agenda

John Murgas, representing himself and his business, Petersburg Marine, appealed to the Assembly the Borough's denial of access to a grant application filed by the Borough for funding to develop Scow Bay into a marine port.

9. Board, Commission and Committee Reports

No reports were given.

10. Consent Agenda**A. Harbor Bar and Harbor Liquor Store Liquor License Renewal Applications for 2019/2020**

Attachments: [Harbor Bar Liquor License Renewal Application Notice.PDF](#)
[Harbor Liquor Store Liquor License Renewal Application Notice.PDF](#)

Renewal of liquor licenses for Harbor Bar and Harbor Liquor Store were unanimously approved.

B. Alaska Municipal League Annual Conference November 12 - 16, 2018

Travel to the Alaska Municipal League Annual Conference was unanimously approved for Mayor Jensen, Member Lynn and Member Norheim.

11. Report of Other Officers**A. Borough Recycling Program**

Public Works Director Cotta updated the Assembly on the Borough's recycling program.

12. Mayor's Report**A. October 15, 2018 Mayor's Report**

Attachments: [October 15, 2018 Mayor's Report.PDF](#)

Mayor Jensen read his written report.

13. Manager's Report

No report was given as Manager Giesbrecht was out of the office.

14. Unfinished Business

None.

15. New Business

- A. Ordinance #2018-18: An Ordinance Amending the Petersburg Municipal Code by Repealing Titles 18, Subdivision, and 19, Zoning, and Adopting a New Borough Development Code

Attachments: [Ordinance #2018-18.PDF](#)
[Exhibit A to Ord#2018-18.PDF](#)
[Written Comments to Assembly 11.5.2018.PDF](#)
[Requested Amendments to Proposed Code.PDF](#)

After some discussion, Ordinance #2018-18 was unanimously approved in its first reading.

- B. Ordinance #2018-19: An Ordinance Amending Petersburg Municipal Code Section 4.28.020, Sales Tax - Definitions, to Clarify that Marine Passenger Ship Cruise Ticket Contracts that are Subject to Petersburg Borough's Marine Passenger Fee are not Subject to Petersburg Borough Sales Tax

Attachments: [Ordinance #2018-19.PDF](#)

The Assembly unanimously postponed action on Ordinance #2018-19 until the November 5, 2018 Assembly meeting.

- C. Resolution #2018-13: A Resolution Requesting USDA's Inspector General to: (1) Conduct a Forensic Audit of the Tonka and Big Thorne Integrated Resource Timber Contracts, and (2) Restore Payment of Funds From Which Affected Communities Should Have Benefited

Attachments: [Resolution #2018-13.PDF](#)

Resolution #2018-13 failed by a vote of 4-2, Members Meucci and Stanton Gregor in favor.

- D. Assembly / Hospital Board Work Session

The Assembly unanimously agreed to hold a work session with the Hospital Board and staff on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at 3:00 p.m.

16. Communications

No communications were shared.

17. Assembly Discussion Items

- A. Work Session on Recycling/Composting/Solid Waste

Member Meucci requested Clerk Thompson send out a doodle poll to set up a work session on recycling/composting/solid waste to be held sometime in November through mid-December.

B. Chamber of Commerce Community Meeting Regarding Visitor Industry

Member Meucci shared that the Chamber of Commerce is planning a community meeting regarding the Visitor Industry in mid-November.

C. Recognitions

Member Stanton Gregor welcomed the newly elected Assembly Members, Bob Lynn and Taylor Norheim and thanked outgoing Assembly Member Nancy Strand for her years of service.

18. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.