



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg AK, 99833

Meeting Minutes Borough Assembly

Monday, September 19, 2016

12:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

1. Call To Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at noon.

Present: 4 - Vice Mayor Cindi Lagoudakis, Assembly Member Eric Castro, Assembly Member Jeigh Stanton Gregor and Assembly Member Nancy Strand

By Phone: 1 - Assembly Member Kurt Wohlhueter

Excused: 2 - Mayor Mark Jensen and Assembly Member Bob Lynn

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 approved with amendments to Discussion Items adding: 15A. Appointment of Election Officials for October 4, 2016 Borough Election; and 15B. Appointment of Date and Time for Special Assembly Meeting to Canvas the October 6 Election Results.

5. Public Hearings

- A. Public Hearing for Ordinance 2016-11: An Ordinance Amending Borough Code by Providing for a New Chapter 4.70 to Impose Excise Taxes on the Cultivation, Manufacture and Importation of Marijuana and Any Marijuana Product for Commercial Use

Marjorie Oines requested that, in order to make the language more firm, the ordinance language regarding the use of proceeds be changed from "may be" to "shall be" available for allocation to health and/or mental health treatment of alcohol, drug, and health related issues. She stated her reasons for believing the Borough needs to take steps to fund this type of treatment if marijuana will be more accessible.

6. Bid Awards

None.

7. Visitors' Views Related to Agenda

None.

8. Visitors' Views Unrelated to Agenda

None.

9. Board, Commission and Committee Reports

No reports.

10. Consent Agenda

- A. Authorization to Accept Grant Funds in the Amount of \$43,700 from the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

Attachments: [Obligating Award Document.PDF](#)

The authorization was granted unanimously.

11. Report of Other Officers

Fire and EMS Director Dixon reported on the incident command system training recently provided by the Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, the earthquake preparedness fair, and the Fire Department open house. All were well attended.

12. Mayor's Report

- A. September 19, 2016 Mayor's Report

Attachments: [September 19, 2016 Mayor's Report.PDF](#)

Vice-Mayor Lagoudakis read the report into the record.

13. Manager's Report

No report available.

14. Unfinished Business

Ordinances for Second Reading

- A. Ordinance #2016-11: An Ordinance Amending Borough Code by Providing for a New Chapter 4.70 to Impose Excise Taxes on the Cultivation, Manufacture and Importation of Marijuana and Any Marijuana Product for Commercial Use

Attachments: [Ordinance #2016-11.PDF](#)

After discussion by the Assembly, an amendment to the ordinance to revert back to the original wording on the use of proceeds, depositing the entire amount into the Property Development Fund, passed by a vote of 4-1, Vice Mayor Lagoudakis opposing. The ordinance passed its second reading by unanimous roll call vote.

15. New Business

A. Appointment of Election Officials for October 4, 2016 Borough Election

Catherine Harris, Erica Worhatch, Mary Leonard, and Chadwick Wright were appointed as the October 4, 2016 Election Officials.

B. Appointment of Date and Time for Special Assembly Meeting to Canvass the October 4 Election Results

A special meeting to canvass the October 4 municipal election results was set for Friday, October 7, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

16. Communications

None.

17. Assembly Discussion Items

A. Recognitions

Police Sgt. Holmgrain was thanked for his work in acquiring the Division of Homeland Security grant funds for Petersburg.

Assembly Members encouraged citizens to vote in the upcoming elections.

Vice-Mayor Lagoudakis read a recognition on behalf of Mayor Jensen thanking the Wrangell Search and Rescue Team for their services in our shared region.

B. Kupreanof, Papke's Landing, and Entrance Island Docks

Two more questionnaire responses were received since the last meeting.

C. Marijuana

No comments.

18. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:33 p.m.