



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg AK, 99833

Meeting Minutes Borough Assembly

Monday, February 2, 2015

12:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

1. Call To Order/Roll Call

Mayor Jensen called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon.

Present: 7 - Mayor Mark Jensen, Vice Mayor Cindi Lagoudakis, Assembly Member John Havrilek, Assembly Member Bob Lynn, Assembly Member Nancy Strand, Assembly Member Jeigh Stanton Gregor and Assembly Member Kurt Wohlhueter

2. Voluntary Pledge

The Pledge was recited.

3. Approval of Minutes

A. Assembly Meeting Minutes of January 20, 2015

Attachments: [January 20, 2015 Minutes.pdf](#)

The minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.

4. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

The meeting agenda was approved.

5. Public Hearings and Bid Awards

A. Community Discussion on Local Control/Regulations of Marijuana

Attachments: [Marijuana Act Passed by Voters.pdf](#)
[Summary of Act.pdf](#)
[Juneau Moritorium Ord.pdf](#)

Local resident Kevin Clark spoke in favor of being proactive and forming a committee with members of the public and Assembly to discuss Petersburg's options and to make sure the will of the people is followed through. Mayor Jensen and the Assembly agreed and requested Deputy Clerk Thompson advertise for letters of interest to serve on the committee.

B. Public Hearing on Ord. # 2014-20: An Ordinance Providing Parking Regulations and Fines for Parking Violations and Repealing the Remaining Chapters of the Old City Code (short title).

No comments were received.

- C. Public Hearing on Ord. # 2015-01 - An Ordinance Providing for a Joint Thomas Bay Power Advisory Committee with Wrangell (short title).

No comments were received.

- D. Public Hearing on Ord. #2015-02 - An Ordinance Providing for Property Tax Exemption of Farm Structures (short title).

No comments were received.

6. Visitors' Views Related to Agenda

Wes Davis with Ruger's Trucking (the Borough's recycles collection contractor) spoke in opposition of the Sanitation Department's plan to take over the collection of recycles effective July 1, 2015, spending \$75,000 on recycling collection carts and \$210,000 on a new Sanitation side loading truck. He feels that the Borough should work toward the goal of 30% diversion from the waste stream; our current diversion rate is 16%. Mr. Davis stated that 25% of the current recycle customers do not put recycle bags out for collection every week (the program requests customers put out bags each week). He feels that buying recycle containers rather than using bags will not encourage people to recycle more. If the cost of the recycle bags is an issue, he suggests money could be saved by ordering 1 to 2 years of bags at once and encouraging residents to fill their bags before putting them out for collection. Mr. Davis stated the proposed program of the Sanitation Department taking over on recycle collection does not address commercial cardboard pick up (where the cardboard must be kept dry), or collection of the recycle bins at the Post Office. He added that his company is on call for holiday cruise ship collection and boats from other communities carrying recycles. He is also concerned that having the baler open to the public for only 3 hours per day will cause congestion at the facility. The current annual contract with Ruger's Trucking costs the Borough \$85,200 per year plus the cost of the blue recycle bags, which is approximately \$25,000.

7. Visitors' Views Unrelated to Agenda

None.

8. Board, Commission and Committee Reports

No reports were given.

9. Consent Agenda

- A. Acknowledgement and Authorization of 4 Five Year Annual Lease Rate Renewals

Attachments: [Stikine Services #1.pdf](#)
 [Stikine Services #2.pdf](#)
 [Marwin, Inc.pdf](#)
 [Yancy Nilsen.pdf](#)

The consent agenda was unanimously approved.

10. Report of Other Officers

- A. Finance Director Jody Tow - Highlights of FY 2015/16 Draft Budget

Finance Director Jody Tow gave the Assembly an overview of the proposed FY16 Petersburg Borough budget.

11. Mayor's Report

A.

Attachments: [Mayor's Report.pdf](#)

Mayor Jensen advised there would not be a quorum for a February 16 meeting due to Assembly attendance at the Winter Alaska Municipal League Legislative Conference.

The next Assembly meeting will be held March 2, 2015, at noon.

12. Manager's Report

A. 02-02-2015 Report

Attachments: [Manager report 02022015](#)

Manager Giesbrecht reviewed his written report.

The written report is attached and made part of these meeting minutes.

13. Unfinished Business

Ordinances for Third and Final Reading

- A. Ordinance #2014-20: An Ordinance Providing Parking Regulations and Fines for Parking Violations and Repealing the Remaining Chapters of the Old City Code (short title).

Attachments: [Ord. #2014-20.pdf](#)

Ordinance #2014-20 was amended to pertain to Mitkof Island only and was approved in its final reading by unanimous Roll Call Vote.

Ordinances for Second Reading

- B. Ordinance #2015-01: An Ordinance Providing for a Joint Thomas Bay Power Advisory Committee with Wrangell (short title).

Attachments: [Ord. #2015-01 TBPAC.pdf](#)

Ordinance 2015-01 was unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote in its second reading.

- C. Ordinance #2015-02: An Ordinance Providing for a Farm Property Tax Exemption and Submitting the Ordinance to the Voters (short title).

Attachments: [Ord. #2015-02.pdf](#)

Assembly Member Stanton Gregor made a motion to postpone further discussion of Ordinance #2015-02 until the first meeting in June to allow the Alaska Legislature to rule on Alaska's new marijuana law.

Motion to postpone further discussion until the first Assembly meeting in June was approved by a 5-2 Roll Call Vote, Members Strand and Havrilek opposed.

14. New Business

- A. Ordinance # 2014-04: An Ordinance Adjusting the FY 2015 Budget for Known Changes.
First Reading.**

Attachments: [Ord. #2015-04.pdf](#)

Ordinance #2014-04 was voted on in two separate pieces: the known changes to the Library and Electric Department FY15 budgets were unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote; the known changes to the Sanitation FY15 budget were approved 4-3 by Roll Call Vote, Members Havrilek, Lynn, and Stanton Gregor opposed.

- B. Authorization to Enter Into a Professional Services Agreement with PND Engineers in an Amount not to Exceed \$59,974 for Engineering Services on the Scow Bay 1 Pump Station Upgrade Project**

Attachments: [PND RFP Response.pdf](#)
 [Memo and Recommendation.pdf](#)
 [Proposed Contract.pdf](#)

The Assembly unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote entering into a Professional Services Agreement with PND Engineers in an amount not to exceed \$59,974 for engineering services on the Scow Bay 1 Pump Station Upgrade Project.

- C. Schedule Special Assembly Meeting(s) for the Purpose of Conducting Detailed Discussions on Specific Departmental Budgets**

By a 4-3 Roll Call Vote, Members Strand, Jensen, and Lagoudakis opposed, the Assembly set a special meeting for Friday, February 6, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. to review the proposed FY16 Community Services budget, specifically the proposed funding for the Petersburg School District and Petersburg Mental Health.

15. Communications

No communications were received.

16. Assembly Discussion Items

- A. Recognitions**

Assembly Member Lagoudakis recently attended the high school jazz concert and the Ocean Bowl prep and said both events were excellent. She congratulated Joni Johnson and the Ocean Bowl participants and Matt Lenhard and the Jazz Band participants. Also, our high school art teacher, Ashley Luhr, has an exhibit at the Rasmussen Museum in Anchorage now through the end of March. Member Lagoudakis remarked that all of this talent is coming from our schools.

17. Executive Session

By unanimous vote, the Assembly recessed to Executive Session at 2:10 p.m. to further review lot options and bid amounts in the Land Trust's sealed bid sale in the Seaduck Subdivision at Papke's Landing.

- A. In lieu of the Land Trust's "Alternate Sale Procedure" to be used for the sealed bid sale of lots in the Seaduck Subdivision at Papke's Landing, the Assembly will further review lot options and bid amounts in Executive Session.

Attachments: [Alternate Sale Procedure.pdf](#)

Regular Session was reconvened at 2:34 p.m.

By unanimous Roll Call Vote, the Assembly refined the directions for Manager Giesbrecht to participate in the Land Trust's Seaduck Subdivision sale.

18. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.