



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg AK, 99833

Meeting Minutes Borough Assembly

Monday, July 17, 2017

12:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

1. Call To Order/Roll Call

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

Present: 5 - Mayor Cindi Lagoudakis, Assembly Member Eric Castro, Assembly Member Bob Lynn, Assembly Member Nancy Strand and Assembly Member Jeffrey Meucci

Excused: 2 - Assembly Member Jeigh Stanton Gregor and Assembly Member Kurt Wohlhueter

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 as submitted.

5. Public Hearings

No hearings.

6. Bid Awards

A. Petersburg Municipal Power & Light Building Remodel

Attachments: [Superintendent Nelson's Award Recommendation Memo.PDF](#)
[Intent to Award Letter.PDF](#)
[Bid Results.PDF](#)
[Hagerman memo](#)

By unanimous roll call vote, the Assembly awarded the PMP&L Building Remodel project to Rainforest Contracting, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$538,600.

7. Visitors' Views Related to Agenda

Brian Lynch, representing Rivers Without Borders, spoke regarding the Alaska/B.C. transboundary watersheds issue. Speaking personally, Mr. Lynch urged the Assembly to approve Resolution #2017-15 to develop Scow Bay.

Richard Burke, representing himself, requested the Assembly send the Off-Highway Vehicle Initiative to the voters during the October municipal election.

Cynthia Wallesz, representing the United Southeast Alaska Gillnetters, spoke to the Alaska/B.C. transboundary watersheds issue.

8. Visitors' Views Unrelated to Agenda

Clerk Thompson read a letter from Petersburg resident Don Koenigs regarding restructure of the borough utility departments.

Chelsea Tremblay, representing herself, informed the Assembly of meetings being held locally regarding homelessness in Petersburg. She invited all those interested to attend the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the Petersburg Public Library Community Room.

Richard Burke, representing the Planning Commission, urged the residents interested in the homeless situation in Petersburg to come to Planning Commission meetings and look into changing zoning rules to allow tiny homes, for example. Mr. Burke also requested Assembly support for the new airport parking suggestion he made at the May 30, 2017 Assembly meeting.

9. Board, Commission and Committee Reports

No reports.

10. Consent Agenda

No items.

11. Report of Other Officers

A. Borough Clerk Debra Thompson's Affidavits of Mailing and LID Petition Results

Attachments: [Affidavit of Mailing - Unimak Street](#)
[Affidavit of Mailing - Vesta Street](#)

Clerk Thompson presented the Affidavits of Mailing and the LID petition results to the Assembly per PMC 4.12.050B.

12. Mayor's Report

A. July 17, 2017 Mayor's Report

Attachments: [7-17-17 Mayor's Report](#)

Mayor Lagoudakis read her report into the record. Without objection, she appointed herself as the Assembly representative for Southeast Conference, and she informed that the USCG Fast Response Cutter John McCormick will be in Petersburg tomorrow, July 18, 2017.

13. Manager's Report

A. Manager's Report 07-17-2017

Attachments: [Manager report 07172017](#)

Manager Giesbrecht read his report into the record, a copy of which is attached and made a permanent part of these minutes.

14. Unfinished Business**15. New Business****A. Ordinance #2017-11: An Ordinance of the Petersburg Borough Adjusting the FY 2018 Budget for Known Changes**

Attachments: [Ordinance #2017-11.PDF](#)
 [Cotta Memo re Kisenno Sewer Main Replacement](#)

Ordinance #2017-11 was unanimously approved in its first reading.

B. Ordinance #2017-12: An Ordinance Amending Section 4.24.050 of the Petersburg Borough Code Relating to Property Tax Exemptions, to Include the State of Alaska Optional Exemption for Approved Fire Protection Systems, and Directing that the Amendment be Submitted to the Voters of the Borough

Attachments: [Ord #2017-12 Sprinkler Exemption](#)

Ordinance #2017-12 was approved in its first reading by unanimous roll call vote.

C. Resolution #2017-15: A Resolution of the Petersburg Borough Directing the Borough Clerk to Submit to the Qualified Voters of the Borough the Question of Spending up to \$500,000 from the Economic Fund Towards Cost Sharing the Development of a Small Vessel Haul Out and Work Yard at Scow Bay

Attachments: [Res#17-15 Scow Bay Haul Out Cost Sharing](#)
 [Scow Bay Haul Out Concept 3](#)

Borough resident John Murgas spoke in support of Resolution #2017-15, which after some discussion was adopted by a vote of 5 - 1, with Assembly Member Lynn opposed.

D. Approval to Prepare Letter to Governor Walker and Lieutenant Governor Mallott Asking Them to Send Written Requests for Federal Involvement in the Transboundary Mine Issue

Attachments: [Salmon Beyond Borders letter](#)
 [Legislature letter](#)
 [Gillnetters letter](#)

The Assembly unanimously approved sending a letter to Governor Walker and Lt. Governor Mallott asking that they request, in writing, federal involvement in the Alaska/B.C. transboundary watersheds issue.

- E. Presentation to Assembly of Certified Citizen's Initiative Petition to Submit to the Borough Voters the Question of Allowing the Operation and Use of OHV on Borough Streets

Attachments: [OHV Petition](#)
 [OHV Certification letter](#)

The certified citizen's initiative petition to submit to the Borough voters the question of allowing the operation and use of off-highway vehicles was presented to the Assembly per PMC 2.44.080. No action was taken. The question will be submitted to the voters at the October 3, 2017 municipal election.

- F. Presentation to Assembly of Certified Citizen's Initiative Petition to Submit to the Borough Voters the Question of Prohibiting the Addition of Fluoride to the Borough Water System

Attachments: [Fluoride Certification Letter](#)
 [Fluoride Petition](#)

The certified citizen's initiative petition to submit to the Borough voters the question of prohibiting the addition of fluoride to the Borough water system was presented to the Assembly per PMC 2.44.080. No action was taken. The question will be submitted to the voters at the October 3, 2017 municipal election.

16. Communications

None.

17. Assembly Discussion Items

A. Recognitions

Assembly Member Castro recognized the citizens who sponsored the OHV and fluoride initiative petitions and the work they put into the efforts.

Mayor Lagoudakis thanked Chelsey Tremblay and Annette Wooten for organizing and hosting the meetings on homelessness in Petersburg. She also thanked the Paddle Battle participants and organizers for another great fundraiser.

Assembly Member Strand recognized the Volunteer Firefighters and Emergency Medical Service Technicians for all they do for our community.

18. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:33 p.m.