



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg AK, 99833

Meeting Minutes Borough Assembly

Monday, December 16, 2019

6:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

Regular Assembly Meeting

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 Bob Lynn, Assembly Member Brandi Marohl, Assembly Member Taylor Norheim, Assembly Member Jeigh Stanton Gregor and Assembly Member Chelsea Tremblay

By Phone: 1 - Assembly Member Jeffrey Meucci

2. Voluntary Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge was recited.

3. Approval of Minutes

A. December 2, 2019 Assembly Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [December 2, 2019 Assembly Meeting Minutes](#)

The December 2, 2019 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

4. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

The agenda was approved as submitted.

5. Public Hearings

There were no public hearings.

6. Bid Awards

No bid awards.

7. Persons to be Heard Related to Agenda

Brian Lynch, representing Rivers Without Borders, spoke in support of Resolution #2019-20.

Dan Sullivan, representing himself, spoke in support of the No Action Alternative for the Roadless Rule.

Richard Burke, Charles Davis, and Jim Stolpe, all representing themselves, spoke in support of adopting

Ordinance #2019-15 which would allow for Off Highway Vehicle use on Borough owned and maintained streets.

8. Persons to be Heard Unrelated to Agenda

Kandi Woodworth, representing herself, spoke in favor of removing Frederick Point East from Service Area 1.

Nicole Hallingstad and Cecilia Lopez Tavoliero, representing Alaska Natives Without Land, shared the history of the landless issue and noted they would return looking for the Assembly's support in their request to Congress for land that should have been provided under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

A. Written Comments Submitted

Attachments: [K. Woodworth Comments 12.16.2019](#)

9. Board, Commission and Committee Reports

There were no reports.

10. Consent Agenda

No items.

11. Report of Other Officers

A. PMC CEO Hofstetter

PMC CEO Hofstetter provided an update on the Medical Center.

B. SEAPA Update

Assembly and SEAPA Board Member Lynn provided an update to the Assembly regarding SEAPA activities.

12. Mayor's Report

A. December 16, 2019 Mayor's Report

Attachments: [December 16, 2019 Mayor's Report](#)

Mayor Jensen read his report into the record.

13. Manager's Report

A. December 16, 2019 Manager's Report

Attachments: [Manager Report 12162019](#)

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

None.

15. New Business

- A.** Ordinance #2019-15: An Ordinance to Amend Petersburg Municipal Code to Allow for the Operation and Use of Off-Highway Vehicles on Borough Owned and Maintained Streets, Highways, or Ways Open to the Public and Located Within the Jurisdiction of the Petersburg Borough

Attachments: [Ordinance #2019-15](#)

A motion to amend Ordinance #2019-15 to allow for use of an OHV for snow plowing without the requirement to register the OHV with the Borough failed by a vote of 5-2, Members Marohl and Norheim in favor. Ordinance #2019-15 failed in its first reading by a vote of 5-2, Members Marohl and Norheim in favor.

- B.** Ordinance #2019-16: An Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map for Service Area 1 of the Petersburg Borough to Rezone a Portion of Lot 1 of Section 9 and Lot 9 of Section 4, T59S, R79E, Copper River Meridian, Petersburg Recording District (Parcel #01-057-100) Located at 112 Scow Bay Loop Road from Industrial (I) to Commercial-2 (C-2)

Attachments: [Ordinance #2019-16](#)
 [Planning Commission Report for 112 Scow Bay Loop Rd](#)

Ordinance #2019-16 was unanimously approved in its first reading.

- C.** Ordinance #2019-17: An Ordinance Amending Petersburg Municipal Code Section 1.16.030 to Add Language to the Borough Traffic Code (Fine Schedule), as Required by State Statute

Attachments: [Ordinance #2019-17](#)

By unanimously roll call vote, Ordinance #2019-17 was unanimously approved in its first reading.

- D.** Resolution #2019-18: A Resolution Adopting an Alternative Allocation Method for the FY20 Shared Fisheries Business Tax Program and Certifying that this Allocation Method Fairly Represents the Distribution of Significant Effects of Fisheries Business Activity in FMA 18: Central Southeast Area

Attachments: [Resolution #2019-18](#)

Resolution #2019-18 was unanimously approved.

- E.** Resolution #2019-19: A Resolution Authorizing the Petersburg Borough to Join the Alaska Remote Seller Sales Tax Commission for the Purpose of Collecting Sales Tax from Remote Sellers

Attachments: [Resolution #2019-19](#)
 [Alaska Intergovernmental Remote Seller Sales Tax Agreement](#)

Resolution #2019-19 was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

- F. Resolution #2019-20: A Resolution Urging the State of Alaska to Ensure the British Columbia (B.C.) Government Implement an Open and Transparent Process to Clean Up and Close the Tulsequah Chief Mine

Attachments: [Resolution #2019-20](#)

The Assembly unanimously approved Resolution #2019-20.

- G. Roadless Rule Letter

Attachments: [Roadless Rule - Discontent with the Process](#)

Approval to send the Roadless Rule Letter failed by a vote of 4-3, Members Meucci, Stanton Gregor and Tremblay in favor.

- H. PILT/SRS Reauthorization Support Letter

Attachments: [PILT Reauthorization Support Letter 2020](#)

The PILT/SRS Reauthorization Support Letter was unanimously approved.

- I. PEDC Board Member At Large Appointment

Attachments: [B. Lynch Letter of Interest](#)

By unanimous vote, the Assembly reappointed Brian Lynch to the PEDC Board.

16. Communications

- A. Thank you from the USCG Auxiliary

Attachments: [USCG Auxiliary Thank You](#)

- B. PVOA South Harbor Dredge Support

Attachments: [PVOA Support for S. Harbor Dredge Project](#)

- C. M. Worhatch Roadless Rule Letter

Attachments: [M. Worhatch Roadless Rule Opinion](#)

17. Assembly Discussion Items

- A. Recognitions

Member Stanton Gregor wished the community Happy Holidays and thanked Manager Giesbrecht for his efforts in a difficult job.

Member Tremblay thanked all those who are helping everyone have a good holiday.

Mayor Jensen recognized PIA for their new transportation van which offers a great service to our community.

18. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Debra K. Thompson, Borough Clerk

Date Approved