



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg AK, 99833

Meeting Minutes Borough Assembly

Monday, May 15, 2017

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, Vice Mayor Cindi Lagoudakis, Assembly Member Bob Lynn, Assembly Member Jeigh Stanton Gregor, Assembly Member Nancy Strand and Assembly Member Kurt Wohlhueter

Excused: 1 - Assembly Member Eric Castro

2. Voluntary Pledge

The Pledge was recited.

3. Approval of Minutes

A. April 3, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [April 3, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes.PDF](#)

The April 3, 2017 regular meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

B. April 3, 2017 Board of Equalization Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [April 3, 2017 Board of Equalization Minutes.PDF](#)

The April 3, 2017 Board of Equalization meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

C. May 1, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [May 1, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes.PDF](#)

The May 1, 2017 regular meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

4. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

The agenda was amended to move the Mariculture Presentation from agenda item 16A, Communications, to agenda item 7, Visitor's Views Related to the Agenda, so Mr. Scheer would not need to sit through the entire meeting.

5. Public Hearings

- A.** Public Hearing on Ordinance #2017-07: An Ordinance of the Petersburg Borough Adopting the Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018

No testimony was given.

- B.** Public Hearing on Ordinance #2017-08: An Ordinance of the Petersburg Borough Adjusting the FY 2017 Budget for Known Changes

No testimony was given.

6. Bid Awards

No awards.

7. Visitors' Views Related to Agenda

Mark Scheer spoke to the Assembly about the Governor's Alaska Maritime Task Force and the Alaska Mariculture Initiative. He explained the Task Force and Initiative and how mariculture farming can supplement existing seafood operations.

Gary Morgan and Nathan Midkiff spoke in opposition of the reorganization of the Borough management team.

Richard Burke spoke in favor of the OHV Initiative.

8. Visitors' Views Unrelated to Agenda

No views were shared.

9. Board, Commission and Committee Reports

No reports were given.

10. Consent Agenda

No items.

11. Report of Other Officers

No reports.

12. Mayor's Report

- A.** May 15, 2017 Mayor's Report

Attachments: [May 15, 2017 Mayor's Report.PDF](#)

Mayor Jensen read his report. The Assembly moved the regular meeting scheduled for June 5 to May 30, 2017 at noon. Mayor Jensen added that the Borough Manager's performance evaluation was in process and without objection appointed Assembly Member Lynn to assist him in the evaluation conference with Manager Giesbrecht.

13. Manager's Report

A. May 15, 2017 Manager's Report

Attachments: [Manager report 05152017](#)

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

- A.** Ordinance #2017-06: An Ordinance Proposing Amendments to Chapter 4.28, Sales Tax, of the Petersburg Borough Code to Increase the Sales Tax Exemption Cap for a Single Sale from \$1,200 to \$5,000, and to Eliminate the Exemption for the Sale of Goods Purchased Within the Borough for Use Outside the Borough; and Directing that the Proposed Code Amendments be Submitted to the Qualified Voters of the Petersburg Borough - Third and Final Reading

Attachments: [Ordinance #2017-06.PDF](#)
 [Over \\$1200 Sales Tax Cap and Out of Town Exemptions.PDF](#)

The ordinance was amended to change the proposed sales tax exemption cap from \$5,000 to \$1,500, and to limit the exemption for the sale of goods purchased within the borough for use outside the borough to those ordered online, by mail, or by phone. Ordinance #2017-06, as amended, was unanimously adopted in its third and final reading. The proposed sales tax code amendments will be on the October 3, 2017 municipal election ballot.

- B.** Ordinance #2017-07: An Ordinance of the Petersburg Borough Adopting the Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 - Second Reading

Attachments: [Ordinance #2017-07.PDF](#)

A motion to reinstate \$750,000 to the Electric Utility FY 2018 budget to be used to improve the grounds surrounding the Power & Light building failed by a vote of 5 - 1, Assembly Member Wohlhueter in favor.

A motion to reinstate the PILT payment to the City of Kupreanof passed by a vote of 4 - 2, Mayor Jensen and Assembly Member Strand opposed.

A motion to keep the FY 2018 mill rate for schools at 4 mills and use \$540,000 of Secure Rural Schools funds rather than \$400,000 failed by a vote of 4 - 2, Mayor Jensen and Assembly Member Lynn in favor.

A motion to take the PILT funds for the City of Kupreanof from the budgeted contingency funds was unanimously approved.

Ordinance #2017-07, as amended, was approved in its second reading by a vote of 5 - 1, Assembly Member Lynn opposed.

- C. Ordinance #2017-08: An Ordinance of the Petersburg Borough Adjusting the FY 2017 Budget for Known Changes - Second Reading

Attachments: [Ordinance #2017-08.PDF](#)
 [MVM Portico Foundation Repair Award Documentation.PDF](#)
 [Resolution #2017-08 - MVM Fire Alarm Repair Authorization.PDF](#)

Ordinance #2017-08 was unanimously approved in its second reading.

15. New Business

- A. Resolution #2017-10: A Resolution of the Petersburg Borough Setting the Millage Rates for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018

Attachments: [Resolution #2017-10.PDF](#)
 [2017 Property Tax Calculation.PDF](#)

Resolution #2017-10 was approved by a vote of 5 - 1, Assembly Member Lynn opposed.

- B. Resolution #2017-11: A Resolution to Temporarily Change Assembly Meeting Times for the 2017 Summer Months of June, July, August and September to 12:00 Noon

Attachments: [Resolution #2017-11.PDF](#)

Resolution #2017-11 failed by a vote of 3 - 3, Assembly Members Strand, Lynn, and Stanton Gregor in favor.

- C. Approval of Letter to the State of Alaska Requesting Enforcement of Boat Mooring and Parking Rules at Papke's Landing

Attachments: [Papke's Landing Enforcement Letter.PDF](#)
 [Papke's Landing Photos.PDF](#)

The Assembly unanimously approved the drafted letter regarding rule enforcement at Papke's Landing.

16. Communications

- A. Mariculture Presentation by Mark Scheer

The Assembly moved Mr. Scheer's presentation to Visitor's Views Related to Agenda. To hear the presentation, please listen to agenda Item #7.

17. Assembly Discussion Items

A. Recognitions

Mayor Jensen thanked Public Works Director Hagerman and the Public Works crew for filling a deep ditch on 8th Street.

B. Reorganization of the Borough Management Team

Attachments: [Reorganization Letter.PDF](#)

The Assembly discussed the idea of reorganizing the Borough Management team.

18. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.