



# Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive  
Petersburg AK, 99833

## Meeting Minutes Borough Assembly

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Monday, March 22, 2021

6:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

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### 1. Call To Order/Roll Call

Mayor Jensen called the meeting was to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Present:** 7 - Mayor Mark Jensen, Assembly Member David Kensinger, Assembly Member Bob Lynn, Assembly Member Jeffrey Meucci, Assembly Member Taylor Norheim, Assembly Member Jeigh Stanton Gregor and Assembly Member Chelsea Tremblay

### 2. Voluntary Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge was recited.

### 3. Approval of Minutes

No minutes were available for approval.

### 4. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved as presented.

### 5. Public Hearings

- A.** Public Hearing for Ordinance #2021-04: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 3.76, Administrative Officers and Appeals Process, of the Borough Code to Update the List of Administrative Officers to Include the Registered Nurse Contracted for Mountain View Manor Assisted Living and to Update the Title of the Mountain View Manor Director Position

No testimony was given.

### 6. Bid Awards

There were no bid awards.

### 7. Persons to be Heard Related to Agenda

John Murgas spoke on his own behalf against the Scow Bay Project.

Heather Conn, Ashley Kawashima, and Hillary Hunter spoke in favor of a non-discrimination ordinance.

David Beebe spoke against the Landless Natives legislation.

**8. Persons to be Heard Unrelated to Agenda**

No views were shared.

**9. Board, Commission and Committee Reports**

No reports were given.

**10. Consent Agenda****A. The Bottle Shop Liquor License Renewal**

**Attachments:**     [The Bottle Shop Liquor License Renewal Application](#)

The Bottle Shop liquor license renewal was unanimously approved.

**11. Report of Other Officers**

No reports were given.

**12. Mayor's Report****A. March 22, 2021 Mayor's Report**

**Attachments:**     [March 22, 2021 Mayor's Report](#)

Mayor Jensen read his report into the record.

**13. Manager's Report****A. March 22, 2021 Manager's Report**

**Attachments:**     [March 22, 2021 Manager's Report](#)

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**

Ordinances for Second Reading

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**Attachments:**     [Ordinance #2021-04](#)

Ordinance #2021-04 was unanimously approved in its second reading.

## 15. New Business

### A. Sampling of South Harbor Dredge Materials

**Attachments:**     [Rock N Road Proposal for South Harbor Dredge Sampling](#)

The sampling of South Harbor dredge materials was unanimously approved for an amount not to exceed \$46,730.00.

### B. Mobile Column Lift System

**Attachments:**     [Director Cotta Recommendation Memo](#)  
[Vehicle Service Group Quote](#)  
[FY21 Motor Pool Replacement Recommendation Summary](#)

The purchase of a Mobile Column Lift System was unanimously approved.

### C. Replacement of Petersburg Police Department SUV #56

**Attachments:**     [Public Works Director Cotta Recommendation Memo](#)  
[Alaska Sales & Service Quote](#)

The replacement of Petersburg Police Department SUV #56 was unanimously approved.

### D. Top Three Federal Priorities for FY 2022

**Attachments:**     [FY 2022 Petersburg Borough Federal Priorities](#)

The Top 3 Federal Priorities were discussed with Assembly Member Lynn asking for ADA Ramps which could also qualify as a transportation project. This motion was unanimously approved. Assembly Member Meucci asked for the Airport Bypass Road to be added to the list, however, the motion failed for lack of a second. A motion was made by Assembly Member Kensinger to combine #2-5 renaming them "Remote Access Facilities". The motion was unanimously approved. A motion was made by Assembly Member Lynn to add 16.2 million to make the New Hospital Project shovel ready. The motion passed with 5-2, Mayor Jensen and Assembly Member Meucci opposed.

### E. Assembly / Hospital Board Work Session

**Attachments:**     [Draft Assembly PMC Works Session Agenda](#)

A work session between the Assembly and the Hospital Board for April 28th was unanimously approved.

## 16. Communications

### A. Correspondence Received Since March 5, 2021

**Attachments:**    [J. Thynes 3.7.2021](#)  
                              [B. Louise 3.9.2021](#)  
                              [A. Larsen 3.9.2021](#)  
                              [anbanscamp16 3.9.2021](#)  
                              [J. Jackson 3.10.2021](#)  
                              [J. Ness 3.10.2021](#)  
                              [B. Norheim 3.10.2021](#)  
                              [J. Kautzer 3.10.2021](#)  
                              [J. Stratman 3.10.2021](#)  
                              [D. Thynes 3.10.2021](#)  
                              [R. Rinehart 3.10.2021](#)  
                              [N. Hallingstad 3.10.2021](#)  
                              [N. Strand 3.10.2021](#)  
                              [D. Barril 3.10.2021](#)  
                              [R. Knight 3.10.2021](#)  
                              [L. Madole 3.11.2021](#)  
                              [L. Armev 3.12.2021](#)  
                              [D. Koenigs 3.12.2021](#)  
                              [M. Lopez 3.12.2021](#)  
                              [N. Lopez 3.13.2021](#)  
                              [M. Hasbrouck 3.15.2021](#)

## **17. Assembly Discussion Items**

### **A. Upcoming Landless Legislation**

Assembly Member Meucci asked how he should compile his questions for the Landless Natives legislation. No decision was made other than to give a bit more time before sending questions in to Senator Murkowski's office.

### **B. Daycare and Food Assistance Funding**

Member Meucci reported that he has a teleconference later this week to talk to a group in Seward about an umbrella program for daycare assistance they have in place.

### **C. FY 2022 Federal Priorities Relating to Petersburg Medical Center**

Member Meucci stated that he has nothing to add to what was already discussed earlier in the meeting.

### **D. Assembly Member Comments**

Assembly Member Tremblay thanked all the callers regarding the anti-discrimination ordinance issue and reminded the public about the April vaccination clinic.

Assembly Member Meucci requested a point of clarification on Assembly members speaking on behalf of themselves personally in a group setting and how to state the comments are personal, not on behalf of the Assembly, for the next meeting.

Assembly Member Norheim stated that if anyone is on the fence about the vaccine - just get it.

**E. Recognitions**

Assembly Member Tremblay recognized Clerk Thompson's dedication and hard work.

Assembly Member Meucci stated his appreciation to Debby Eddy and KFSK for the COVID story.

Assembly Member Kensinger recognized Joe Bertagnoli on his upcoming retirement.

Assembly Member Norheim recognized Shelyn Bell and her staff at MVM for doing a good job at keeping all the residents safe.

**18. Executive Session**

The Assembly adjourned to Executive Session to discuss the status of collective bargaining with the Petersburg Municipal Employee's Association at 7:54 p.m.

Regular Session was resumed at 8:36 p.m..

**19. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

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Debra K. Thompson

Date Approved \_\_\_\_\_