Petersburg Borough Assembly Work Session Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Audioconference

The Petersburg Borough Assembly will hold a work session to receive public comments regarding the proposed transfer of ownership of federal lands and infrastructure to the native communities that were not included in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) - Haines, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Tenakee and Wrangell. This meeting will be at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 10, 2021, via teleconference.

Senator Murkowski and Alaska's Federal Delegation plan to reintroduce legislation during the 117th US Congress, currently in its 1st session, for the lands transfer to new urban corporations. These are to be formed by the Landless Native communities and the Borough is asking for public comment regarding the legislation. A copy of Senate Bill 4889, which didn't make it out of Committee in the 116th US Congress, and copies of the maps showing proposed land selections, may be found on the Borough's website www.ci.petersburg.ak.us. There is a link on the homepage (lower right) titled Alaska Natives Without Land that will take you to a page with the documents available for viewing and printing.

To participate in the work session, please call 800-954-0633 a bit before 6:00 p.m. An operator will answer and ask your name. Each participant will be afforded 5 minutes to provide their comments and ask relevant questions. Questions will not necessarily be answered during the work session, but the Borough will keep a list of the questions asked and will draft a document with answers/comments to the questions. The Q&A document will be published on the Borough website as soon as possible following the work session.

The work session audio will be streamed live on the Borough website and later available to listen to on the website under the Public Meetings tab. For more information, please contact Clerk Thompson at dthompson@petersburgak.gov or 772-5405.

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