

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

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Edna DeVries

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Tim Hale, District 1
Stephanie Nowers, District 2
Dee McKee, District 3
Maxwell Sumner, District 4
Bill Gamble, District 5
Dmitri Fonov, District 6
Ron Bernier, District 7

MEETING MINUTES

ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS

350 EAST DAHLIA AVENUE, PALMER

ASSEMBLY REGULAR MEETING

6:00 PM

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, at the Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Mayor Edna DeVries.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: 4 - Assemblymember Tim Hale, Assemblymember Dee McKee, Assemblymember Mokie Tew, and Assemblymember Jesse Sumner

Telephonic: 3 - Assemblymember Stephanie Nowers, Assemblymember Robert Yundt, and Assemblymember Ron Bernier

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor DeVries requested a moment of silence in honor of former city of Wasilla Mayor Bert Cottle.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Assemblymember Hale.

V. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS

There were no minutes of preceding meetings.

VI. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE

A. AGENCY REPORTS (MSB 2.12.082; Seven minutes per person)

1. Reports From Cities

There were no reports provided.

2. Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District

There was no report provided.

3. State of Alaska

There was no report provided.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Joint Assembly/School Board Committee On School Issues

There was no report provided.

2. Assembly Public Relations

There were no reports provided.

C. MANAGER COMMENTS

1. State/Federal Legislation

2. Strategic Planning Issues

3. Alaska Energy Authority - Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Implementation Plan

Talon Boeve, Emergency Operations Center Responder, presented certificates to the following: Janessa Erickson, Isla Buzby, Bella Atkinson, Jesiah Herbert, and Aiden Watson, winners of the Emergency operations poster contest.

Mr. Brown queried if the body would like to schedule a joint meeting with the State Legislative Delegation for January 5, 2023.

Mayor DeVries queried if there was any objection.

There was no objection noted.

Taylor Asher, Project Manager with the Alaska Energy Authority, reported on the Alaska Electric Vehicle Implementation plan.

D. ATTORNEY COMMENTS

There was no report provided.

E. CLERK COMMENTS

Ms. McKechnie reported on the upcoming meeting schedule. Requested that the Assembly to let her know what they would like from her for the elections discussion at the January 17 meeting.

F. CITIZEN AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

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1. Abbreviated Plat: 10/12/22, 10/19/22, 10/26/22
 2. Big Lake Community Council: 07/12/22, 08/09/22, 09/13/22
 3. Caswell Lakes RSA Board of Supervisors: 04/16/22, 07/11/22, Resolution No. 22-01
 4. Central Mat-Su FSA Board of Supervisors: 08/08/22
 5. Greater Butte RSA Board of Supervisors: 07/14/22
 6. Greater Talkeetna RSA Board of Supervisors: 09/08/22
 7. Greater Willow RSA Board of Supervisors: 02/09/22, 04/13/22, 08/10/22
 8. Library Board: 09/10/22
 9. Local Emergency Planning Committee: 07/20/22
 10. Local Road Service Area Advisory Board: 09/15/22
 11. Louise/Susitna/Tyone Community Association: 07/09/22
 12. MSB Fish and Wildlife Commission: 09/22/22
 13. Meadow Lakes Community Council: 08/10/22
 14. Meadow Lakes RSA Board of Supervisors: 04/29/22
 15. North Lakes Community Council: 06/30/22, 08/25/22
 16. Parks, Recreation, and Trails Advisory Board: 05/23/22, 07/25/22, 08/22/22, Resolution No. 22-02
 17. Planning Commission: 08/15/22, Resolution Nos. 22-31, 22-32, 22-034
 18. Platting Board: 09/15/22, 10/06/22, 10/20/22
 19. Susitna Community Council: 08/04/22
 20. Talkeetna Community Council: 09/06/22
 21. Tanaina Community Council: 09/27/22
 22. Willow FSA Board of Supervisors: 01/13/22
- The citizen and other correspondence were presented and no comments were noted.

G. INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUMS

- [IM 22-233](#) Informing The Assembly Of The Manager's Signature On Amendment No. 2 For A Time For Completion Extension To The 2020 State Homeland Security Program Grant.
- [IM 22-234](#) Informing The Assembly Of The Manager's Signature On Amendment No. 4 For A Time For Completion Extension To PW325 For The 2018 November Cook Inlet Earthquake.
- [IM 22-242](#) Informing The Assembly Of The Time Extension On The Centralized Dispatch Project Grant From The Mat-Su Health Foundation And The Anticipated Time Extension Of The Centralized Dispatch Project Grant From The Federal Transit Administration, Through December 31, 2023. The informational memorandum was presented and no comments were noted.

VII. SPECIAL ORDERS

A. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (MSB 2.12.081; Three Minutes Per Person.)

There were no persons to be heard.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS (Three Minutes Per Person.)

- [OR 22-083](#) An Ordinance Repealing MSB 17.06, Electrical Generating And Delivery Facility, In Its Entirety.

Sponsors: Sumner

Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record.

Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director, provided a staff report.

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke in opposition to Ordinance Serial No. 22-083: Pam Young and Amber McDonough.

There being no others present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

Assemblymember Sumner moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 22-083. The motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes:** 5 - Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier
- No:** 2 - Assemblymember Hale, and Assemblymember Nowers

[OR 22-104](#)

An Ordinance Amending MSB 17.02, Mandatory Land Use Permit.
RS 22-082: A Resolution Amending The Schedule Of Fees For MSB
17.02, Mandatory Land Use Permits.
Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record.

Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director, provided a staff report.

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing.

The following person spoke to concerns on how the legislation would
impact his desire to build a garage: Mike Coons.

There being no others present who wished to testify, the public hearing
closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

**Assemblymember Sumner moved to adopt Ordinance Serial
No. 22-104.**

**Assemblymember Yundt moved to postpone Ordinance Serial
No. 22-104 to December 8, 2022. The motion passed by the
following vote:**

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers,
Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt,
Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and
Assemblymember Bernier

[OR 22-110](#)

An Ordinance Creating East Forest Grove Circle Road Paving Local
Improvement District No. 647; Approving The Improvement Plan For
The District; Authorizing The Manager To Proceed With The
Improvement; And Assessing Equally Among The Properties Within The
District The Costs Of The Improvement.

Mayor DeVries queried if there was any objection to taking up
Ordinance Serial Nos. 22-110, 22-111, and 22-113 together.

There was no object noted.

[OR 22-111](#)

An Ordinance Creating South Francine Street Natural Gas Local
Improvement District No. 651; Approving The Improvement Plan For
The District; Authorizing The Manager To Proceed With The
Improvement; And Assessing Equally Among The Properties Within The
District The Costs Of The Improvement.

[OR 22-113](#)

An Ordinance Creating Ridgefield And Drinkhouse Road Paving Local Improvement District No. 638; Approving The Improvement Plan For The District; Authorizing The Manager To Proceed With The Improvement; And Assessing Equally Among The Properties Within The District The Costs Of The Improvement.

Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record.

Cheyenne Heindel, Finance Director, provided a staff report.

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing.

There being no one present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

Assemblymember Sumner moved to adopt Ordinance Serial Nos. 22-110, 22-111, and 22-113. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

[OR 22-122](#)

An Ordinance Accepting And Appropriating \$82,000 In Additional Funding From The United States Fish And Wildlife Service; And Approving The Amended Scope Of Work And Budget For The 2025 Fish Passage Grant.

RS 22-102: A Resolution Approving The Amended Scope Of Work And Budget And Authorizing The Manager To Sign Amendment No. Three For The 2025 Fish Passage Grant.

Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record.

Cheyenne Heindel, Finance Director, provided a staff report.

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing.

There being no one present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

Assemblymember Sumner moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 22-122 or RS 22-102. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

[OR 22-123](#)

An Ordinance Accepting And Appropriating \$4,775,813.21 For 2022 Funding Under The American Rescue Plan, Local Assistance And Tribal Consistency Fund, From The United States Treasury Department.

RS 22-106: A Resolution Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget And Authorizing The Manager To Sign The Associated Terms And Conditions For 2022 Funding Under The American Rescue Plan, Local Assistance And Tribal Consistency Fund, From The United States Treasury Department.

Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record.

Cheyenne Heindel, Finance Director, provided a staff report.

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing.

Assemblymember Sumner moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 22-123 and Resolution Serial No. 22-106.

Assemblymember Sumner moved a primary amendment to Resolution Serial No. 22-106, as follows:

- * the scope of work, by inserting: "15040 Parks and Recreation Projects - GPRA overflow parking lot. Funding will be used in conjunction with other funding for the design and construction of the Government Peak Overflow Parking Lot;"**
- * the budget, by inserting: "15040 GPRA Overflow Parking Lot - \$500,000;" and**
- * the budget, 35473 Non-Federal Grant Match, by striking "\$1,375,813.21" and inserting "\$875,813.21" in its place.**

The primary amendment passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

The main motion passed as amended by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

[OR 22-124](#)

An Ordinance Approving The Request By Agricultural Rights Heirs To Amend The Previous Subdivision Request For The Agricultural Rights Estate Property To Separate The Title Interest Of The Heirs.
Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record.

Tracy McDaniel, Right-of-Way Acquisition Officer, provided a staff report.

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing.

There being no one present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

Assemblymember Sumner moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 22-124. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

[OR 22-125](#)

An Ordinance Amending Borough Code To Update And Revise The Processes Used To Obtain Borough Insurance For Risk Management And Insurance For Employees.
Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record.

Nicholas Spiropoulos, Borough Attorney, provided a staff report.

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing.

There being no one present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

Assemblymember Sumner moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 22-125. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

[OR 22-126](#)

An Ordinance Accepting And Appropriating \$385,000 From The United States Forest Service For The Beetle Kill Fire Reduction Initiative.

RS 22-107: A Resolution Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget, Authorizing The Manager To Enter Into The Grant Agreement For The Beetle Kill Fire Reduction Initiative, And Approving The Amended Budgets Of The Municipal Entitlement Lands Project And The Census Project.

Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record.

Cheyenne Heindel, Finance Director, provided a staff report.

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing.

There being no one present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

Assemblymember Sumner moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 22-126 and Resolution Serial No. 22-107. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

[OR 22-127](#)

An Ordinance Amending And Updating Title 23, Real Property.
RS 22-105: A Resolution Amending The Land And Resource
Management Division Policy And Procedures Manual.
Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record

Tracy McDaniel, Right-of-Way Acquisition Officer, provided a staff
report.

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke in support of Ordinance Serial No.
22-127: Amber McDonough, Rob Wells, Bev Cutler, and Mark
Troutman.

There being no others present who wished to testify, the public hearing
closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

**Assemblymember Sumner moved to adopt Ordinance Serial
No. 22-127. The motion passed by the following vote:**

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers,
Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt,
Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and
Assemblymember Bernier

[OR 22-128](#)

An Ordinance Reappropriating \$19,607 From The Fiscal Year 2023 Human Services Matching Grant Project; And \$14,147.31 From The Census Project Account To The South Central Rail Corridor Project.
RS 22-109: A Resolution Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget For The Rail Extension Bridge Repairs Not Covered By The Federal Emergency Management Agency As Part Of The Earthquake Repairs.
Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record

Cheyenne Heindel, Finance Director, provided a staff report.

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing.

Assemblymember Tew moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 22-128 and Resolution Serial No. 22-109. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

C. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Three Minutes Per Person.)

(The meeting recessed at 8:02 p.m. and reconvened at 8:12 p.m.)

The following person spoke to concerns with the smoke, the extended time in which an electric vehicle fire takes to be completely extinguished, and volume of water and time required to completely extinguish an electric vehicle fire: Mike Coons.

The following persons spoke in support of the amendments proposed by Assemblymember McKee to the Official Streets and Highways Plan: Randy Dellar and Chris Petrol.

The following persons spoke to ongoing issues with code violations occurring on the property next to theirs: Cecelia Westcott and Tom Westcott.

The following person complimented Mayor DeVries for the moment of silence for Mayor Bert Cottle, for the way she interacted with the poster contest winners, and spoke to Ordinance Serial No. 22-131: Steve Colligan.

The following person spoke in opposition to voting machines: Jackie Goforth.

The following person spoke to the need to protect property owner rights: Dave Cooper.

The following person spoke to concerns with the Iditarod Trail Burma Road Underpass: Donna DeFusco.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

1. RESOLUTIONS

2. ACTION MEMORANDUMS

[AM 22-132](#) Award Of Bid No. 23-033C To Braun Northwest, Inc. In The Contract Amount Of \$347,330 To Remount 2 Ambulances.

[AM 22-133](#) Vacate A Portion Of The East Mariah Drive Right-Of-Way On The North Side And Dedicate An Equal Amount Of Right-Of-Way On The South Side; Eliminate The Utility Easements Adjacent To East Mariah Drive; And Grant New Utility Easements Matching The Changed Alignment.

[AM 22-134](#) Award Of Bid No. 23-036C To True North Emergency Equipment In The Contract Amount Of \$2,317,100 To Purchase 2 Spartan Star NXT Pumpers.

[AM 22-135](#) Approval Of Contract Extension For Contract No. 22-077B With Pinnacle Construction, Inc. For A Final Completion Date Of July 31, 2023, For Paving And Water Tank Project At Station 12-5.

[AM 22-136](#) Award Of Bid No. 22-012B To JGH Plumbing And Heating In The Contract Amount Of \$126,900 To Supply And Install A New Fuel Tank And Unit Heater At Station 1-1.

[AM 22-137](#) Authorizing The Manager To Enter Into A Memorandum Of Agreement With Sunshine Transit For The Centralized Mobility Management Software Project.

[AM 22-139](#) Award Of Bid No. 23-041C To Rosenbauer South Dakota, LLC. In The Contract Amount Of \$1,014,825 To Purchase 1 Rosenbauer Fire Tender.

[AM 22-140](#) Approval Of Change Order No. 1 To Contract No. 22-078P(B) With The Boutet Company, Inc. For The Lakes Boulevard Project.
[Clerk's Note: AM 22-140 was removed from the agenda at approval of the agenda.]

[AM 22-141](#) Approval Of Contract Amendment No. 2 For Contract No. 22-063P With Moffatt And Nichol, To Add \$336,506 For Additional; Contract Services For The Port Mackenzie Pile Sleeve Protection Project And Extend The Contract Completion Date To December 31, 2024.

Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record.

Assemblymember Sumner moved to approve the consent agenda as read into the record by the Clerk. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

[AM 22-131](#) Approval Of Additional Change Order Authority For Contract No. 22-075B With Anchorage Roofing And Construction, Inc. For The Wasilla Pool Roof Replacement Project.
Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record.

Assemblymember McKee moved to adopt AM No. 22-131.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers,
Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew,
Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

No: 1 - Assemblymember McKee

[AM 22-138](#) Approval Of Change Order No. One For Contract No. 22-002B With Hamilton Construction Alaska Company For The Port Mackenzie Rail Bridge Repairs Project.
Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record.

Assemblymember McKee moved to adopt AM No. 22-138.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers,
Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, and
Assemblymember Bernier

No: 2 - Assemblymember McKee, and Assemblymember Sumner

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

An Ordinance Repealing MSB 15.30, Official Streets And Highways Plan Map; Amending MSB 17.55.004, by striking the unused definition “Official Streets And Highways Plan;” And Adopting MSB 15.24.030(B) (46), Official Streets and Highway Plan 2022 Update.
Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record.

[Clerk's Note: Reconsideration passed on 08/02/22, main motion is on the floor.]

Assemblymember McKee moved a primary amendment to IM No. 22-118, Official Streets and Highways Plan Technical Report and Implementation Plan, to show the continuation of the northwest extension of East Nelson Road to intersect with East Fireweed Road, as depicted on Attachment A.

Assemblymember McKee moved a secondary amendment to IM No. 22-118, Official Streets and Highways Plan Technical Report and Implementation Plan, by replacing Attachment A with Attachment C.

The secondary amendment passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

The primary amendment passed as amended by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

Assemblymember McKee moved a primary amendment to IM 22-118, Official Streets and Highways Plan Technical Report and Implementation Plan, to move the intersection of the proposed western extension of East Nelson Road and East Fairview Loop, just north of East Lin Lu Lane, north as depicted in Attachment B.

The primary amendment passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

The main motion passed as amended by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

IX. VETO

There were no vetoes presented.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. INTRODUCTIONS (For Public Hearing 12/08/22, Assembly Chambers)

[OR 22-078](#) An Ordinance Adopting MSB 15.24.030, Beverly Lake, Lake Management Plan; And Amending MSB 17.59, Lake Management Plan Implementation.

[OR 22-088](#) An Ordinance Repealing MSB 17.05, Essential Service Utilities, In Its Entirety.

Sponsors: Sumner

[OR 22-103](#) An Ordinance Amending Title 43: Subdivisions.

[OR 22-129](#) An Ordinance Approving An Appropriation Of \$375,000 From The Greater Palmer Fire Service Area Fund Balance To Purchase A New Pumper Tender.
RS 22-110: A Resolution Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget To Purchase A New Pumper Tender For The Greater Palmer Fire Service Area.

[OR 22-130](#) An Ordinance Accepting And Appropriating A Grant From The Alaska State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Management For Equipment And Training.
RS 22-111: A Resolution Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget For Alaska State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Management Grant, For Equipment And Training.

[OR 22-132](#) An Ordinance Accepting And Appropriating \$75,069 In Additional Project Income For The Rail Extension Project From Port Mackenzie To The Mainline.

RS 22-113: A Resolution Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget For Additional Project Income For The Rail Extension Project From Port Mackenzie To The Mainline.

[OR 22-134](#) An Ordinance Accepting And Appropriating \$10,500,000 From The Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District And Reappropriating \$3,000,000 From The School Debt Service Fund For The Mat-Su Central School Construction Project.

RS 22-114: A Resolution Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget For The Mat-Su Central School Construction Project.

Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record.

Assemblymember Sumner moved to introduce the legislation as read into the record by the Clerk and to set the public hearings for December 8, 2022. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

B. MAYORAL NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

1. VACANCY REPORT

Mayoral Requests For Confirmation

Agriculture Advisory Board

Jozef Slowik
Stephan Brown

Animal Care and Regulation Board

Daniel Bowen

Board of Adjustment and Appeals

Larry Schmidt
Terry Nicodemus

Board of Ethics

Rebecca DeBusk

Borough Area Schools Site Selection Committee

Daniel Bowen

Enhanced 911 Advisory Board

Daron Cooper

Library Board

Marty Kincaid
Kathy Kysar
Virginia Robson

Local Emergency Planning Committee

Tom Covington, Jr.
Beatrice Adler
Frank Adams
Regg Simon
Steven Paine
Donna Anthony

Office of Administrative Hearings

Scott Sterling

Planning Commission

CJ Koan
Bill Kendig
Wilfred Fernandez, III

Wastewater and Septage Advisory Board

Daniel Tucker

Butte FSA No. 2
Mitzi VanAsdlan

Central Mat-Su FSA No. 130
Brian Davis
Lucas Szipszky

Willow FSA No. 35
Tamara Boeve

Caswell Lakes RSA No. 15
Sheena Fort

Greater Butte RSA No. 26
Karl Kopperud

Greater Talkeetna RSA No. 29
John Strassenburgh

Lazy Mountain RSA No. 19
Pierre Stragier

Midway RSA No. 9
Lisa Harrison

Talkeetna Sewer and Water Service Area No. 36
Jane Steere

Assemblymember Sumner moved to confirm the appointments requested by the Mayor with terms beginning January 1, 2023. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

C. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

There was no other new business.

D. REFERRALS (For Referral To The Planning Commission For 90 Days Or Other Date Specified By The Assembly)

[OR 22-131](#) An Ordinance Amending MSB 17.30, Conditional Use Permit For Earth Materials Extraction Activities, To Allow For An Exemption Of 10,000 Cubic Yards Annually Without A Permit.

Sponsors: Tew

Ms. McKechnie read the legislation into the record.

Assemblymember Tew moved to refer Ordinance Serial No. 22-131 to the Planning Commission for 90 days. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Yundt, Assemblymember Tew, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Bernier

XI. RECONSIDERATION

There were no reconsiderations.

XII. MAYOR, ASSEMBLY, AND STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Spiropoulos wished everyone happy Thanksgiving.

Assemblymember Hale wished everyone happy Thanksgiving.

Ms. McKechnie wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving that includes good stuffing and macaroni and cheese.

Assemblymember Sumner wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Assemblymember Nowers apologized for not attending the meeting in person. Advised that she is on the Board of Directors for the Alaska Municipal League. Noted that the position she holds is open. Stated that she is happy to continue to serve, but wanted to see if anyone else was interested in the position. Stated that there are four meetings a year and that the municipality will fund the travel. Noted that she does not charge the Borough for the travel associated with this position.

Mayor DeVries queried if anyone was interested in the position.

There were no comments made.

Mayor DeVries advised Assemblymember Nowers that the position is still hers.

Assemblymember Yundt wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving. Opined it was a great meeting. Spoke in support of Assemblymember McKee's amendments to the Official Streets and Highways Plan. Congratulated all newly elected members.

Assemblymember Bernier wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving and said a prayer.

Mayor DeVries noted that on December 6th, at the Alaska Association of Municipal Clerks banquet, that Ms. Henry would be being sworn in as President of the association. Encouraged the body to attend and show their support if they are able.

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.