



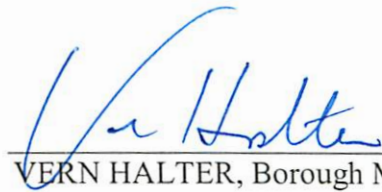
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For

September 30, 2020, Assembly Special Meeting Minutes

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VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:


LONNIE R. McRECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved: 12/15/20

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

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Mokie Tew, District 5
Jesse Sumner, District 6
Tam Boeve, District 7

MEETING MINUTES

ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS

350 EAST DAHLIA AVENUE, PALMER

ASSEMBLY SPECIAL MEETING

6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on Wednesday, September 30, 2020, at the Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. by Mayor Vern Halter.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Assemblymember Tim Hale, Assemblymember George McKee, Assemblymember Dan Mayfield, Assemblymember Jesse Sumner, and Assemblymember Tam Boeve

Telephonic: 2 - Assemblymember Stephanie Nowers, and Assemblymember Ted Leonard

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Halter queried if there were any changes to the agenda.

Assemblymember Boeve requested to take up the Informational Memorandum as the first item of business.

Mayor Halter queried if there was any objection.

There was no objection noted.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Ms. Bonnie Quill, Mat-Su Convention and Visitor's Bureau Executive Director.

V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

The following person opined that Borough CARES Act Funds should be open to residents of the cities too and not just Borough residents that live outside the cities: Ms. Marge Smith.

The following person spoke to concerns with the public process: Mr. Eugene Carl Haberman.

VI. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

VIII. INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

IM 20-189 Informing The Assembly Of A Grant Application To Acquire Construction Funds For A New Gateway Visitor Center, And The Borough's Funding Match Obligation.

The informational memorandum was presented to the Assembly.

A. DISCUSSION ON THE RECRUITMENT OF A NEW BOROUGH MANAGER

Mr. Chuck Rohre, Baker Tilly, spoke to opening up the recruitment for Borough Manager to additional candidates per the direction of the Assembly.

The Assembly viewed the video responses of Michael Brown, Travis Mortimer, and Kim Zimmerman.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION (For Subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation or character of any person, provided that person may request a public discussion; matters which by law are required to be confidential; and matters involving consideration of government records that by law are not subject to public disclosure.)

A. Filling the Vacancy of the Borough Manager, Review of Applications, Discussion of Qualifications, and Interview Questions

Assemblymember Mayfield moved to enter into executive session for subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation or character of any person, provided that person may request a public discussion; matters which by law are required to be confidential; and matters involving consideration of government records that by law are not subject to public disclosure. Those present during the executive session will be the Mayor, the Assembly, the Interim Borough Manager, the Attorney, the Clerk, the Human Resources Director, and Baker Tilley.

Assemblymember McKee requested to include the Acting Deputy Borough Manager.

Mayor Halter queried if there was any objection.

There was no objection noted and the Assembly entered into executive session at 6:34 p.m.

Assemblymember Mayfield moved to exit executive session.

There was no objection noted and the Assembly exited executive session at 7:47 p.m.

Assemblymember Mayfield moved to move the following candidates forward in the process:

- Randy Robertson;
- Thomas Hutka;
- Janette Bower;
- Michael Brown; and
- Travis Mortimer.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Assemblymember Hale, Assemblymember Nowers, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Leonard, Assemblymember Mayfield, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Boeve

Filling the Vacancy of the Borough Manager, Review of Applications, Discussion of Qualifications, and Interview Questions

[Clerk's Note: A special meeting was scheduled for October 21, 2020, at 9 a.m. to conduct Zoom interviews of the candidates.]

IX. MAYOR, ASSEMBLY, AND STAFF COMMENT

There were no comments provided.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.