



Mayoral Signature and Clerk Attestment

For

November 27, 2020, Assembly Special Meeting Minutes

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VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

  
LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved: 12/15/20

# MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

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BOROUGH MAYOR  
Vern Halter

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Lonnie R. McKechnie, CMC

BOROUGH MANAGER  
Michael Brown

BOROUGH ATTORNEY  
Nicholas Spiropoulos



Tim Hale, District 1  
Stephanie Nowers, District 2  
George McKee, District 3  
Robert Yundt, District 4  
Mokie Tew, District 5  
Jesse Sumner, District 6  
Tam Boeve, District 7

## MEETING MINUTES

### ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS

350 EAST DAHLIA AVENUE, PALMER

ASSEMBLY SPECIAL MEETING

5:00 PM

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2020

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### Election Certification - Assembly District 5

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on Friday, November 27, 2020, at the Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 5 p.m. by Mayor Vern Halter.

#### II. ROLL CALL

**Present:** 5 - Assemblymember Stephanie Nowers, Assemblymember George McKee, Assemblymember Dan Mayfield, Assemblymember Jesse Sumner, and Assemblymember Tam Boeve

**Excused:** 1 - Assemblymember Tim Hale

**Telephonic:** 1 - Assemblymember Robert Yundt

#### III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

#### IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Clayton Tew, Assemblymember Elect for District 5.

## **V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

The following person spoke to her appreciation of the hard work of the Canvass Board: Ms. Beth Fread.

The following person stated that he is happy that everyone in attendance at the meeting is wearing a mask: Mr. Eugene Carl Haberman.

## **VI. ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

### **A. Certification of the November 3, 2020, Regular Borough Election - Assembly District 5**

**Assemblymember Mayfield moved to certify the election results for the November 3, 2020, regular Borough election for Assembly District 5. The motion passed by the following vote:**

**Present:** 7 - Assemblymember Tim Hale, Assemblymember Stephanie Nowers, Assemblymember George McKee, Assemblymember Robert Yundt, Assemblymember Dan Mayfield, Assemblymember Jesse Sumner, and Assemblymember Tam Boeve

### **B. Oath of Office for Newly Elected Official - Assembly District 5**

Ms. McKechnie administered the oath of office to newly elected Assemblymember Clayton Tew, representing Assembly District 5.

## **VII. MAYOR, ASSEMBLY, AND STAFF COMMENT**

Mr. Spiropoulos bid farewell to Assemblymember Mayfield. Welcomed Assemblymember Tew. Stated that he will miss talking to Assemblymember Mayfield and thanked him for his support. Related that when Assemblymember Mayfield was newly-elected that he hit the ground running. Opined that he has always been engaged and knowledgeable on the issues before the Assembly. Noted that the last six years have flown by.

Mr. Hays congratulated Assemblymember Tew. Spoke to his appreciation of all the hard work that Assemblymember Mayfield has put in on behalf of the Borough. Opined that he has truly made the Borough a better place.

Ms. McKechnie thanked Assemblymember Mayfield for his support over the years. Thanked him for his service to his community. Welcomed Assemblymember Tew. Spoke to the unresolved write-in votes on the election report being language that the Borough does not use and that the Canvass Board reported to this to the Assembly.

Assemblymember Sumner thanked Assemblymember Mayfield for his service. Congratulated Assemblymember Tew on his win.

Assemblymember Yundt congratulated Assemblymember Tew. Expressed many thanks to Assemblymember Mayfield for his six years of public service.

Assemblymember Nowers congratulated and welcomed Assemblymember Tew. Noted that she has only had a year of working with Assemblymember Mayfield but knows that he will be missed. Stated that he has been an incredible advocate for District 5. Spoke to her appreciation of his knowledge and wisdom on important issues.

Assemblymember Boeve congratulated and welcome Assemblymembers Yundt and Tew. Stated that is it hard to say goodbye to Assemblymember Mayfield. Related that she met him a little over six years ago. Spoke to a town hall meeting that she had organized out in Willow. Stated that she was impressed that he attended a meeting in winter that was not in his district. Noted that he cares deeply about the Borough and has been her role model. Stated that she will miss him greatly.

Assemblymember Mayfield congratulated Assemblymember Tew. Stated that he is celebrating Assemblymember Tew's tenacity in becoming a member of the Assembly. Stated that he looks forward to his leadership. Encouraged him to read as much of the legislation in the packets as he can. Encouraged his to carefully consider the issues and vote with his

conviction. Wished him great success. Spoke to his appreciation of his interactions with the Clerk's Office and the Law Department. Stated that he has always been treated well by employees in those offices. Noted that the Manager's Office has always been available to answer questions he may have had. Thanked everyone that contributed to his success. Opined that it has been a great six years.

Mayor Halter congratulated the Clerk's Office for hard work and accuracy on the election. Thanked Assembly Members for attending this meeting in person in the middle of a holiday. Spoke to his appreciation of Assemblymember Mayfield's integrity. Welcomed Assemblymember Tew and congratulated him on being newly elected. Stated that he is looking forward to working with the newly elected members on important upcoming issues.

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:22 p.m.