

# MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

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Ron Bernier, District 7

## MEETING MINUTES

ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS  
350 EAST DAHLIA AVENUE, PALMER

ASSEMBLY SPECIAL MEETING

6:00 PM

THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2022

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### **Budget Deliberations and Possible Adoption**

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

The special meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on Tuesday, May 12, 2022, at the Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. by Mayor Edna DeVries.

#### **II. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 6 - Assemblymember Tim Hale, Assemblymember Stephanie Nowers, Assemblymember Dee McKee, Assemblymember Robert Yundt, Assemblymember Mokie Tew, and Assemblymember Jesse Sumner

**Telephonic:** 1 - Assemblymember Ron Bernier

#### **III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

#### **IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge of allegiance was led by Assemblymember Sumner.

## **V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

The following persons spoke to concerns to a budget amendment that affects the School District budget and in support of reconsideration: Stacey MacIntosh; Jennifer Hutchins; Rainey Spurlock; Brandt Bowen; Dr. Rany Trani, School District Superintendent; Ole Larson, School Board Member; Dwight Probasco, School Board Member; Barbara Gerard; Patti Farren; Ryan Ponder, School Board Member; Dianne K. Shibe; Kayla Puntero; Hannah McDaniel; and Drew McAlvane.

## **VI. ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

### **A. DELIBERATIONS AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET ITEMS (Ordinance Serial No. 22-022)**

**OR 22-022** An Ordinance Appropriating Monies From The Central Treasury For The Borough Operating Funds, Enterprise Funds, Education Operating Fund And Capital Funds, Establishing The Rate Of Levy For All Borough Functions For The Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2022, And Ending June 30, 2023; And Setting The Surcharge Rate For The Wireline And Wireless Enhanced 911 Systems For The Period Of July 1, 2022, Through June 30, 2023.

Brenda Henry, Assistant Borough Clerk, read the legislation into the record.

**Assemblymember Sumner moved to reconsider Ordinance Serial No. 22-022. The motion passed by the following vote:**

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

**Assemblymember Sumner moved to schedule a special Assembly meeting for deliberations and possible adoption for May 24, 2022, at 6 p.m. The motion passed by the following vote:**

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

**Assemblymember Sumner moved to schedule a joint Assembly/School Board meeting for budget discussion on May 23, 2022, at 4 p.m. The motion passed by the following vote:**

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

**Assemblymember Hale moved to postpone Ordinance Serial No. 22-022 to May 24, 2022, at 6 p.m. The motion passed by the following vote:**

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

## **VII. VETO**

### **A. Motion to Override Any Possible Mayoral Veto on Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Items (Ordinance Serial No. 22-022)**

There were no vetoes presented.

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

Assemblymember Sumner stated that he is looking forward to the May 23, joint meeting with the School Board.

Assemblymember Nowers stated that she too is looking forward to the joint meeting.

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.



Mayoral Signature and Clerk Attestment

For

May 12, 2022, Special Meeting Minutes

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EDNA DeVRIES, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved: 06/07/22