

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

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Jim Sykes, District 1
Matthew Beck, District 2
George McKee, District 3
Ted Leonard, District 4
Dan Mayfield, District 5
Jesse Sumner, District 6
Tam Boeve, District 7



Mary Anderson, District 1
Eileen Patterson, District 2
Patricia Chesbro, District 3
Colleen Vague, District 4
Chris Elder, District 5
Stafford Glashan, District 6
Sassan Mossenen, District 7

MEETING MINUTES

ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS

350 EAST DAHLIA AVENUE, PALMER

JOINT ASSEMBLY/PLANNING COMMISSION

6:00 PM

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on Tuesday, October 23, 2018, 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. ASSEMBLY ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Assemblymember Jim Sykes, Assemblymember Matthew Beck, Assemblymember George McKee, Assemblymember Ted Leonard (arrived at 6:33 p.m.), Assemblymember Dan Mayfield, Assemblymember Jesse Sumner, and Assemblymember Tam Boeve

PLANNING COMMISSION ROLL CALL

Planning Commission Member Patterson, Planning Commission Chair Vague, Planning Commission Member Elder, Planning Commission Member Glashan, and Planning Commission Member Sassan Mossanen.

EXCUSED: Planning Commission Member Anderson and Planning Commission Member Chesbro

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Spiropoulos, Borough Attorney.

V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

The following person spoke to his possible presidential campaign: Mr. Huhnkie Lee.

VI. JOINT ITEMS OF BUSINESS

A. Platting Board Update

Mr. Fred Wagner, Platting Officer, reported on the activities of the Platting Board.

B. Transportation Advisory Board Update

Mr. Ben Coleman, Planner II, reported on the activities of the Transportation Advisory Board.

C. Historical Preservation Commission Update

Mr. Ted Eischied, Planner II, reported on the activities of the Historical Preservation Commission.

D. Boroughwide Comprehensive Plan Update

Ms. Eileen Probasco, Planning and Land Use Director, provided an update regarding the Boroughwide Comprehensive Plan.

E. 2020 Census/Core Area Community Council Boundary Update

Ms. Eileen Probasco, Planning and Land Use Director, provided an update regarding the 2020 Census/Core Area Community Council Boundaries.

F. Flood Management Discussion

Mr Alex Strawn, Development Services Manager, reported on flood management history within the Borough.

VII. MAYOR, ASSEMBLY, PLANNING COMMISSION, AND STAFF COMMENTS

Planning Commissioner Glashan thanked staff for the presentations.

Planning Commissioner Mossanen thanked staff for the reports provided and congratulated the newly elected officials.

Planning Commission Chair Vague noted her interest in community councils. Stated that she enjoyed the flood management presentation. Noted that her house came out of flood plain which saved her nearly \$700 per month. Stated that it was a pleasure to be at the meeting.

Mr. Moosey wished everyone a good evening.

Assemblymember Sykes spoke to air quality issues and his concerns with nonattainment. Stated that he will be bringing legislation before the Planning Commission and the Assembly for consideration. Spoke in support of wetland mitigation. Wished the body a good evening. Opined it was a good meeting.

Assemblymember Boeve thanked the body for the warm welcome.

Assemblymember Mayfield thanked the body for the meeting. Thanked staff for the information in the presentations. Spoke to concerns with the flood management buy-out program, but noted he will follow up with Mr. Strawn later.

Assemblymember Sumner thanked the body for the meeting. Thanked staff for the information provided in the reports.

Assemblymember Beck stated that he is humbled to be a part of the work being done by the Borough. Stated that he is impressed with staff and their knowledge of the subjects on which they presented. Noted that Assemblymember Doty was in the audience. Stated that he is grateful for the opportunity to have worked with her on the Assembly. Related that he learned a lot from her and thanked her for her service.

Mayor Halter echoed Assemblymember Beck's comments regarding Assemblymember Doty. Thanked the body for the meeting. Stated that he is hopeful that the Planning Commission will take a good look at Ordinance Serial No. 18-093 and the pending amendment that was referred to them on October 16. Noted that the legislation is regarding timber transport and stated that the body needs to consider different size operations.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

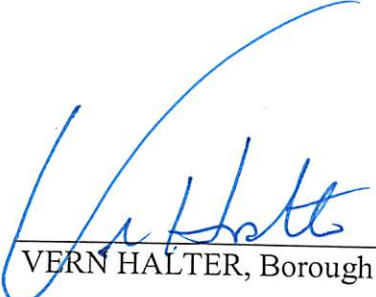


Mayoral Signature and Clerk Attestment

For

October 23, 2018, Joint Assembly/Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

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VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:


LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved: 11/27/18