

# MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

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BOROUGH MAYOR  
Vern Halter

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Nicholas Spiropoulos



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

## MEETING MINUTES

### ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS

350 EAST DAHLIA AVENUE, PALMER

ASSEMBLY SPECIAL MEETING

4:00 PM

TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2019

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

The special meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on Tuesday, June 4, 2019, at the Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 4:01 p.m. by Presiding Officer Dan Mayfield, for the purpose of conducting the annual evaluation of the Borough Attorney.

## **II. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 6 - Assemblymember Jim Sykes, Assemblymember George McKee, Assemblymember Ted Leonard (arrived at 4:08 p.m.), Assemblymember Dan Mayfield, Assemblymember Jesse Sumner, and Assemblymember Tam Boeve

**Excused:** 1 - Assemblymember Matthew Beck

## **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. Eugene Haberman, a member of the audience.

## **V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

The following person spoke to concerns with the public process, to solid

waste rates provided in the rates and fees schedule, and to the evaluation of the Borough Attorney: Mr. Eugene Haberman

## **VI. ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

### **A. Executive Session (For Subjects That Tend To Prejudice The Reputation And Character Of Any Person Provided The Person May Request A Public Discussion.)**

#### **1. Annual Evaluation of the Borough Attorney**

Presiding Officer Mayfield inquired if Mr. Spiropoulos wished to have the evaluation conducted in public or executive session.

Mr. Spiropoulos requested the evaluation to be conducted in executive session.

**Assemblymember Sykes moved to enter into executive session for subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person provided the person may request a public discussion. In particular, to conduct the annual evaluation of the Attorney. Those present in executive session would be the Mayor, the Assembly and the Attorney. The motion passed by the following vote:**

**Yes: 5** - Assemblymember Sykes, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Mayfield, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Boeve

The Assembly entered into executive session at 4:08 p.m.

[Clerk's Note: Assemblymember Leonard arrived at 4:08 p.m.]

**Assemblymember Sykes moved to exit executive session. The motion passed by the following vote:**

**Yes: 6** - Assemblymember Sykes, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Leonard, Assemblymember Mayfield, Assemblymember Sumner, and Assemblymember Boeve

The Assembly exited executive session at 5:15 p.m.

**Assemblymember Sykes moved to renew the Borough Attorney's contract at \$173,705. The motion passed by the following vote:**

**Yes: 4** - Assemblymember Sykes, Assemblymember McKee, Assemblymember Leonard, Assemblymember Mayfield, and Assemblymember Boeve

**No: 1** - Assemblymember Sumner

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

Mr. Spiropoulos thanked the Assembly Members for their feedback and invited Assembly Members to approach him if there were any questions or concerns.

Assemblymember Leonard expressed appreciation for Mr. Spiropoulos' service and counsel to the Assembly.

Assemblymember Sykes agreed with Assemblymember Leonard's sentiment, opined that Mr. Spiropoulos had provided exemplary service, and commended him for his good work.

Assemblymember Boeve agreed with Assemblymembers Leonard and Sykes.

Assemblymember Mayfield spoke to the admiration of the Assembly, commended Mr. Spiropoulos for his open door policy, and opined that the Assembly received good advice from the Attorney.

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

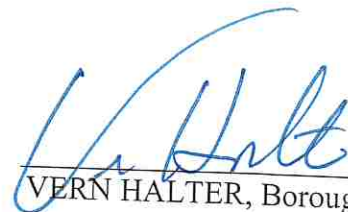


Mayoral Signature and Clerk Attestment

For

June 4, 2019, Special Meeting Minutes

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VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

  
LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved: 08/06/19