## MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

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# **MEETING MINUTES**

# ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS 350 EAST DAHLIA AVENUE, PALMER

ASSEMBLY SPECIAL MEETING

3:00 PM

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2022** 

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on Tuesday, January 4, 2022, at the Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m. by Mayor Edna DeVries.

#### II. ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Assemblymember Tim Hale (Via teleconference), Assemblymember Stephanie Nowers, Assemblymember Dee McKee (arrived at 3:08 p.m.), Assemblymember Robert Yundt, Assemblymember Mokie Tew (arrived at 3:07 p.m.), Assemblymember Jesse Sumner, and 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 Steve Colligan, Former Assemblymember.

#### V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

There was no one present who wished to speak.

#### VI. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

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## A. Discussion Regarding Gravel Tax (The Gravel Industry has been Invited to Speak)

Steve Colligan, Alaska Rock Products, spoke to the gravel industry.

Patrick Cummins, Quality Asphalt Paving, spoke to conditional use permits and reclamation.

Ryan Morman, Anchorage Sand and Gravel, spoke to mining to reclamation.

Mark Cottini spoke to small mining operators and how the current conditional use permits came about.

Jim O'Hare, Quality Asphalt Paving, spoke to the differences between mining and developers.

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

Assemblymember McKee spoke to why the State of Alaska is not taxing gravel loads.

Assemblymember Tew thanked the speakers for the information.

Assemblymember Bernier thanked the speakers for the information.

Assemblymember Hale thanked the speakers for the information.

Assemblymember Nowers thanked the speakers for the information and spoke to the need to talk about water tables.

#### VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

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# Mayoral Signature and Clerk Attestment

For

January 4, 2022, Assembly Special Meeting Minutes

(2 pages)

EDNA DEVRIES, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved: 01/18/22