



Mayoral Signature and Clerk Attestment

For

January 25, 2020, Assembly Special Meeting Minutes

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VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

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Minutes Approved: 02/18/20

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MEETING MINUTES

SUTTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
11301 CHICKALOON WAY, CHICKALOON

ASSEMBLY SPECIAL MEETING

10:00 AM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on Saturday, January 25, 2020, at the Sutton Public Library, 11301 Chickaloon Way, Sutton, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Mayor Vern Halter.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Assemblymember Stephanie Nowers, Assemblymember Ted Leonard, Assemblymember Dan Mayfield, Assemblymember Jesse Sumner, and Assemblymember Tam Boeve

Excused: 1 - Assemblymember George McKee

Telephonic: 1 - Assemblymember Tim Hale

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 Ms. Brenda Henry, Assistant Borough Clerk.

V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

The following persons spoke in support of the Jonesville/Slipper Lake Public Use Area Plan: Mr. Brian Largent, Jonesville/Slipper Lake Public Use Area Planning Committee Chair; and Mr. Marc Bertels.

The following person spoke to the need to have a vision of what is needed for the future for proper land use planning: Ms. Lynne Woods, former member of the Assembly.

VI. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

A. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. ASSEMBLY PLANNING SESSION

Mr. Kevin Dee, of KMD Services and Consulting, facilitated the planning session.

Assemblymember Mayfield moved to enter into the Committee of the Whole. The motion passed without objection and the Assembly entered Committee of the Whole at 10:17 a.m.

(The meeting recessed at 11:55 a.m. and reconvened at 12:20 p.m.)

(Assemblymember Hale exited the meeting telephonically at 12:30 p.m.)

Assemblymember Mayfield moved to exit out of the Committee of the Whole. The motion passed without objection and the Assembly exited Committee of the Whole at 2:27 p.m.

VII. MAYOR, ASSEMBLY, AND STAFF COMMENT

Assemblymember Mayfield stated that he appreciated the meeting in that is re-enforced priorities that have been long standing for the Assembly. Stated that he was impressed with Mr. Dee's facilitation.

Assemblymember Sumner noted that the body has a similar view on a lot of goals. Noted that there are differing opinions on how to reach those goals. Thanked the body for the meeting.

Assemblymember Nowers spoke to her appreciation of the meeting. Noted it was beneficial for her as she is new to the Assembly. Spoke to her appreciation of how well the Assembly works together. Stated that she is looking forward to developing more strategies to implement ideas that are useful.

Assemblymember Boeve noted that Assembly meetings spotlight their differences. Opined that the planning session was a shift in perspective. Thanked the body for the meeting.

Assemblymember Leonard echoed Assemblymember Boeve's comments. Stated that he was glad that Assemblymember Nowers was present and that Assemblymember Hale was able to attend telephonically for a bit. Opined that the body has the same core values. Spoke to the positive communication required to convey Assembly goals and other information to the public.

Mr. Moosey spoke in appreciation of the meeting. Noted that at times, all energy gets focused on the crisis that occur daily. Stated that he is looking forward to another planning session.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.