

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

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Tam Boeve, District 7

MEETING MINUTES

CURTIS D. MENARD SPORTS COMPLEX
1001 SOUTH CLAPP STREET, WASILLA

ASSEMBLY SPECIAL MEETING

10:00 AM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on Saturday, February 20, 2021, at the Curtis D. Menard Sports Complex, 1001 South Clapp Street, Wasilla, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. by Mayor Vern Halter.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Assemblymember Tim Hale, Assemblymember Stephanie Nowers, Assemblymember George McKee, Assemblymember Robert Yundt, Assemblymember Mokie Tew, Assemblymember Jesse Sumner, and Assemblymember Tam Boeve

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Nicholas Spiropoulos, Borough Attorney.

V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

There was no audience participation.

VI. JOINT ITEMS OF BUSINESS

21-043

Planning Session

Mr. Mike Brown, Borough Manager facilitated planning session presentation.

The meeting recessed at 11:30 a.m. and reconvened at 11:45 a.m.

The meeting recessed at 12:55 p.m. and reconvened at 1:13 p.m.

VII. MAYOR, ASSEMBLY, AND STAFF COMMENT

Ms. McKechnie provided information on how the state creates their precinct boundaries after the state redistricting plan is adopted and how it affects the Borough.

Assemblymember Nowers expressed no continuity for Assemblymembers when they first come into office.

Assemblymember Tew remarked on a good session.

Assemblymember McKee expressed frustration with the State of Alaska, Division of Natural Resources, taking too long with decisions. Noted he believes the Borough should focus on catering to Alaskans instead of outside of Alaska for tourism.

Assemblymember Sumner opined that it was a helpful meeting.

Assemblymember Yundt stated this was an educational meeting. Expressed the need to focus on a Port Subcommittee.

Assemblymember Hale thanked staff for the planning session.

Assemblymember Boeve stated it was an excellent meeting.

Mayor Halter thanked staff and the Manager for the planning session. Expressed the need to focus on roads and the need for out of state tourism.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.



Mayoral Signature and Clerk Attestment
For
February 20, Planning Session Minutes
(2 pages)

VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved: 04/06/21