Minutes of Regular Assembly Meeting Held on September 25, 2012

Mayor Jeremy Maxand called the regular assembly meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., September 25, 2012, in the Assembly Chambers. Assembly Members McConachie, McCloskey, Jack, Younce and Stokes were present. Assembly Member Privett was absent. Acting Borough Manager Jeff Jabusch and Borough Clerk Kim Flores were also in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Assembly Member McCloskey.

Invocation given by Father Thomas of St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church.

COMMUNITY PRESENTATION

None.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Jack, seconded by McConachie, to approve Consent Agenda Items marked with an (*) asterisk, 6a, 7a, 7b and 13d. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*6a Minutes of Regular Assembly Meeting held September 11, 2012

COMMUNICATIONS

*7a Minutes of Regular Port Commission meeting held May 3, 2012; Minutes of Special Port Commission meeting held August 7, 2012

*7b Minutes of Regular TBPA Commission meeting held June 8, 2012

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

Assembly Member McConachie commented that he really liked the photos provided in the Manager's Report.

Acting Borough Manager Jabusch reported that the projects around town were "wrapping up" and that the City was looking forward to future projects.

Assembly Member McCloskey commented on the excess of paper being used in the Assembly Packet.

Clerk Flores reported that if the Manager had an item referenced in his report, it would be attached following the report. She further commented that if the item printed in the Manager's Report was an Action Item within the Agenda Packet, the result would be double printing in the Borough Assembly Packet.

BOROUGH CLERK'S FILE

- Upcoming Dates to Remember
- Regular Borough Election coming up on October 2, 2012
- Special Assembly meeting on October 8, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. to Certify the Election Results from the Regular Borough Election to be held on October 2, 2012

MAYOR/ASSEMBLY REPORTS AND APPOINTMENTS

10a Reports by Assembly Members

Assembly Member Jack reported that he had attended the last Hospital Board meeting and felt that the Board did a good job.

Assembly Member McConachie commented on the Downtown construction project and said that some members of the public had told him how much they liked the way the project was coming together.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Bill Knecht, 2.75 Mile Zimovia Hwy, asked the Assembly if the Attorney that represented the Hospital Board before the prior Hospital Board was recalled was still the Attorney for the current Hospital Board.

Mayor Maxand answered that the Borough Attorney has, through Ordinance, the power to deny or authorize legal counsel to the Hospital Board and Hospital Administrator. He further commented that the Attorney that had represented the Hospital Board before the recall had been retained by the Insurance Company to provide counsel with regards to the pending litigation.

Dr. Greg Salard, 3.5 Mile Zimovia Hwy, stated that he had submitted a request to the Hospital Board, a letter requesting that his hospital privileges be reinstated. He said that the Hospital Board would review the request on October 3, 2012. He also expressed his concern with the Hospital Board using the Seattle Law firm, Garvey, Schubert, Barer to review his reinstatement request. Mr. Salard asked the Assembly if they had seen the Hospital Insurance Policy and if they had, did the policy prevent the Hospital insurance company from retaining a different attorney.

Mayor Maxand responded that the Assembly would look into the matter and get back to Mr. Salard.

Mr. Salard said that his belief was that the new Hospital Board would make good decisions if they receive good legal advice.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

13a Request to Hold Special Assembly Meeting on Monday, October 8, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. to Certify Election Results from Regular Election to be held on October 2, 2012

Moved by McConachie, seconded by Younce, to approve Special Assembly meeting to be held Monday, October 8, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. to Certify the Election Results from the Regular Election held October 2, 2012. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

13b Request for funding for the Lynch Street Paving Project

Moved by McCloskey, seconded by McConachie, to approve funding for the Lynch Street paving project in the amount of \$45,000 with funding to come from the general fund reserves.

Acting Borough Manager Jabusch commented that the project was underway.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

13c Discussion and Possible Action to schedule a Workshop Session to review the "Operations and Maintenance Organizational Review" report produced by D Hittle and Associates and commissioned by SEAPA

Moved by McConachie, seconded by Jack, to schedule a Workshop Session to review the "Operations and Maintenance Organizational Review" report produced by D Hittle and Associates and commissioned by SEAPA.

Mayor Maxand reported that several months ago, the SEAPA Board commissioned the report for the purpose of determining if there could be cost savings and efficiencies in terms of management through the consolidation of contracts for operating the Swan and Tyee Hydroelectric Projects; two projects have been managed through two separate contracts; Thomas Bay Power Authority managed the Tyee Project collectively with Wrangell and Petersburg; The City of Ketchikan, Ketchikan Public Utilities managed the Swan Project; report was produced due to inefficiencies with collectively managing both projects.

Mayor Maxand further reported that at the last SEAPA Board meeting, the Board requested that the report be made available to the Wrangell, Petersburg and Ketchikan governing bodies; the SEAPA Board postponed any action related to the report until the governing bodies had a chance to discuss and make comments to the SEAPA Board; SEAPA Board wanted to explore ways of working around the existing union labor contracts with KPU and TBPA; SEAPA Board is looking at ways to improving and defining the existing chain of command within SEAPA and TBPA.

Mayor Maxand suggested inviting the SEAPA CEO, TBPA General Manager and the TBPA Foreman to join in the Workshop Session.

Paul Southland reported that he had been contacted by some of the City of Petersburg Counsel Members and that they expressed to him that they would like to have a Joint Workshop Session with the members of the Borough Assembly of Wrangell.

Assembly Member McConachie suggested inviting the City of Ketchikan, KPU Electrical Engineer & SEAPA Board Member, Andy Donato to join in the Workshop Session.

Mayor Maxand reported that the next SEAPA Board Meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2012.

Motion approved by unanimous polled vote.

*13d Final Plat Approval for Woody Wilson Subdivision

(APPROVED UNDER CONSENT AGENDA)

ATTORNEY'S FILE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ATTEST:

ADJOURNMENT: 7:37 p.m.

Kim Flores, Borough Clerk

Maxand, Mayor