

**Minutes of Special Assembly Meeting
Held on August 12, 2013**

Mayor David L. Jack called the Special Assembly meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., August 12, 2013, in the Borough Assembly Chambers. Assembly Members Christian, McCloskey, Wiederspohn, Jamieson, and Stokes were present. Assembly Member Stough was absent. Interim Borough Manager Jeff Jabusch and Borough Clerk Kim Lane were also in attendance.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

There were no persons to be heard.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

5a ORDINANCE NO. 870: AN ORDINANCE OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, AMENDING CHAPTER 3.04 OF THE WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL TO MODIFY SECTION 3.04.114 ON NEPOTISM (*second reading*)

Moved by Jamieson, seconded by McCloskey, to approve Ordinance No. 870.

Assembly Member Christian commented that in the future, it might be a good idea to add a section to address the relatives to the Borough Assembly.

Assembly Member Jamieson suggested bringing back a revised Ordinance for the next Regular Assembly meeting.

Mayor Jack said that possibly tabling this item and adding an additional section to the Ordinance might be a good idea.

Assembly Member Jamieson stated that this was not the appropriate time to add a revision to the Proposed Ordinance. She further stated that the appropriate action would be to introduce a revised Proposed Ordinance for the next regular meeting.

Assembly Member Jamieson suggested contacting the Borough Attorney to have him write another section that would address this. She stated that there needed to be public process when introducing and approving an Ordinance.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

Interim Borough Manager Jabusch asked for clarification on if the Assembly wanted him to contact the Borough Attorney with the request for a revision.

Mayor Jack answered yes.

Mayor Jack stated that the new addition would need to address potential employees who wanted to apply with the City. He further stated that as it states now in the Code, if someone wanted to apply with the City, the assembly member would need to step down.

Interim Manager Jabusch asked for further clarified that if the Borough Manager followed the normal process of hiring someone, and if the best candidate for the position was related to someone on the Assembly, the hiring of that applicant would need to be approved by the Borough Assembly, less the related Assembly Member.

Assembly Members Christian and Jamieson answered "correct".

Interim Manager Jabusch stated that this was a tricky situation because if there was a relative of a member of the Borough Assembly who applied, there could be unspoken pressure by the related Assembly Member to the Borough Manager to hire that person.

5b RESOLUTION NO. 08-13-1281: A RESOLUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, AMENDING PERSONNEL POLICY SECTION 105, HIRING OF RELATIVES, TO CHANGE THE DEFINITION OF "RELATIVE" AND TO PROVIDE FOR ASSEMBLY APPROVAL OF CERTAIN HIRES IN LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Moved by Jamieson, seconded by Christian, to adopt Resolution No. 08-13-1281.

Interim Manager Jabusch stated that this Resolution was mirroring the Ordinance so that they could be consistent.

Assembly Member Jamieson stated that, "yes that was correct".

Mayor Jack stated that in the newspaper last week, the term "second degree" and "third degree" had been reversed.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

5c RESOLUTION NO. 08-13-1282: A RESOLUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, APPROVING AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION POLICY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Moved by Christian, seconded by Jamieson, to adopt Resolution No. 08-13-1282.

Interim Manager Jabusch stated that this Resolution was so that the City could accept a grant from the State of Alaska for the Sewer Pump Stations. He further stated that although the grant was being offered by the State of Alaska, there were Federal Funds involved and that this was a requirement.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

5d RESOLUTION NO. 08-13-1283: A RESOLUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, APPROVING A FAIR HOUSING POLICY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Moved by McCloskey, seconded by Christian, to adopt Resolution No. 08-13-1283.

Interim Borough Manager Jabusch stated that although the City & Borough of Wrangell was not in the housing business, this Resolution was a requirement to be able to receive grant funding.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

Special meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

ATTEST:


Kim Lane, Borough Clerk



David L. Jack, Mayor

