

**Minutes of Regular Assembly Meeting  
Held on June 24, 2014**

Mayor David L. Jack called the Regular Assembly meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., June ~~24~~, 2014, in the Borough Assembly Chambers. Assembly Members Blake, Wiederspohn, Decker, Mitchell, and McCloskey were present. Assembly Member Stough was absent. Borough Manager Jeff Jabusch and Borough Clerk Kim Lane were also in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Assembly Member Julie Decker.

Invocation was given by Lynne Ogren with the Island of Faith Lutheran Church.

**CEREMONIAL MATTERS** – *Community Presentations, Proclamations, Certificates of Service, Guest Introductions*  
Certificates of Service for David Galla – TBPC; Stanly Schnell – Planning & Zoning Commission; and James Stough – Thomas Bay Power Commission were presented.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA** – None.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST** – Assembly Member Mitchell declared a Conflict of Interest to item 13b – since the item was a request by him to lease City Tidelands. There was no objection by the Assembly. He stated that he would step down from his seat when this item came up.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

*M/S: Blake/Decker, to approve Consent Agenda Items marked with an (\*) asterisk; 6a, and 7a. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the Board of Adjustment meeting that was held on June 9, 2014 and the Public Hearing meeting that was held on June 10, 2014 were approved, as presented. With a correction item 10b of the minutes to the Regular Assembly meeting held on June 10, 2014, the minutes were approved, as amended.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- \*a. Minutes of the Regular School Board meeting of April 21, 2014

**BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT**

Borough Manager Jabusch's provided a verbal report.

**BOROUGH CLERK'S FILE**

Borough Clerk Lane's Report was provided.

**MAYOR/ASSEMBLY REPORTS AND APPOINTMENTS**

**10a** Reports by Assembly Members

*Brian Ashton, 730 Case Ave.,* responded to a request for information from Mayor Jack about the Hyatt (Hittle) report.

Assembly Member Decker requested that the Assembly consider adding to the ballot, a change in the \$1,000,000 value requirement for the sale or lease of borough property.

Mayor Jack suggested that this item be added to the next agenda for discussion. Assembly Member Decker agreed.

**10b** Mayor Jack appointed Assembly Member McCloskey to the **Code Review Committee**.

**10c** There was no interest from any of the assembly members to fill the **Hospital Board Liaison** vacancy. Therefore, Mayor Jack stated that the vacancy would remain open with a possible appointment to be made at the next Regular Assembly meeting.

**10d** Mayor Jack appointed Assembly Member Mitchell to fill the vacancy of **Economic Development Committee** member. There were no objections from the Assembly.

**10e** Mayor Jack appointed Bob Prunella to fill the vacancy on the **Thomas Bay Power Commission** with the unexpired term ending October 2015. There were no objections from the Assembly.

There were no letters of interest received for the unexpired term ending October 2016 on the Thomas Bay Power Commission.

**10f** There were no letters of interest received for the **Planning & Zoning Commission** vacancy.

**PERSONS TO BE HEARD** – None.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**12a** PROPOSED ORDINANCE No. 880: AN ORDINANCE OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, AMENDING WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 13.12, PARKS, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 13.12.045, CREATING PARK TREES REGULATIONS *(second reading)*

***M/S: Blake/McCloskey, to approve Ordinance No. 880. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

**12b** PROPOSED ORDINANCE No. 881: AN ORDINANCE OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, AMENDING CHAPTER 3.04 TO TITLE 3 OF THE WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE, ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL, RELATING TO THE GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR THE ASSEMBLY *(second reading)*

***M/S: Decker/Wiederspohn, to approve Ordinance No. 881. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

**12c** PROPOSED ORDINANCE No. 882: AN ORDINANCE OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, ADOPTING A NEW CHAPTER 3.05 TO TITLE 3 OF

THE WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE, ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL, RELATING TO RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE ASSEMBLY *(second reading)*

***M/S: McCloskey/Blake, to approve Ordinance No. 882.***

Assembly Member Decker stated that she believed that voting while attending an Assembly meeting telephonically should be allowed.

***Motion approved with Wiederspohn, McCloskey, Blake, and Mayor Jack voting yea; Decker and Mitchell voted no.***

**12d** PROPOSED ORDINANCE No. 883: AN ORDINANCE OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, AMENDING SECTIONS 15.12.200, 15.12.210, 15.12.215, 15.12.222, AND 15.12.223, AND 15.12.240 OF CHAPTER 15.12, ELECTRICITY, OF THE WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE TO CHANGE THE ELECTRICAL RATES, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE *(second reading)*

***M/S: McCloskey/Decker, to approve Ordinance No. 883, which would increase electricity rates by 7%, effective July 1, 2014.***

Manager Jabusch gave an explanation for the rate increase request.

***Motion approved with Decker, McCloskey, Blake, Wiederspohn, and Mayor Jack voting yea; Mitchell voted no.***

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**13a** A RESOLUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 09-09-1167, CITY RULES OF PROCEDURE, BECAUSE THE RULES OF PROCEDURE HAVE BEEN REVISED AND CODIFIED IN TITLE 3 OF THE WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE

***M/S: Decker/Blake, to adopt Resolution No. 06-14-1298 that repeals previously adopted Resolution No. 09-09-1167. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

**13b** Approval to Classify City Tidelands for lease, as requested by Mark Mitchell

As Assembly Member Mitchell had previously declared a Conflict of Interest for this item, he removed himself from the Assembly and joined the audience in the Assembly Chambers.

***M/S: Blake/Wiederspohn, to approve classifying tidelands for lease, for lot 3, USS 3534, as requested by Mark Mitchell and to direct the Borough Clerk to order a Survey and Appraisal, fees to be paid by the applicant.***

At the request of Assembly Member Decker, Carol Rushmore, Economic Development Director defined the request from Mr. Mitchell to lease the City Tidelands.

***Motion approved unanimously by polled vote. Assembly Member Mitchell did not vote.***

**13c** Approval of the submittal to the State of Alaska for Municipal Entitlement of Lands

***M/S: Blake/Decker, to approve Option no. 4.***

***Carol Rushmore, Economic Development Director,*** provided details of the proposed land selections.

Assembly Member Mitchell stated that it was his understanding that if the selected lands were denied by the State, the borough would have ample time to re-select other lands.

***Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

**13d** Acceptance of the resignation from James Stough from the Borough Assembly.

***M/S: McCloskey/Wiederspohn, to accept the resignation from James Stough from the Borough Assembly. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

**13e** Approval of the Conceptual Wrangell Trail Link Design Layout

***M/S: McCloskey/Blake, to approve the Conceptual Wrangell Trail Link Design Layout and to move forward with the Survey and Layout work for a portion of the Proposed Wrangell Trails.***

At the request of Assembly Member Blake, ***Amber Al-Haddad, Parks Director,*** provided the Assembly with the timeframe for the work to be done. She also explained that the survey costs would come from the Parks Budget.

**ATTORNEY'S FILE – None.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION –**

**15a** Discussion of Union Negotiations

***M/S: Decker/McCloskey, to go into executive session to discuss the ongoing Union Negotiations, which the immediate knowledge of would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the Borough. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

Recessed into Executive Session @ 8:05 p.m.

Reconvened back into the Regular Meeting @ 8:32 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at: 8:32 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
Kim Lane, CMC, Borough Clerk

  
David L. Jack, Mayor

