# Minutes of Regular Assembly Meeting Held on July 22, 2014

Mayor David L. Jack called the Regular Assembly meeting to order at 7:03 p.m., July 22, 2014, in the Borough Assembly Chambers. Assembly Members Decker, Mitchell, and McCloskey were present. Assembly Member Wiederspohn and Blake were absent. Borough Manager Jeff Jabusch and Borough Clerk Kim Lane were also in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Assembly Member Mark Mitchell.

Invocation was given by Donald McConachie, Sr.

**CEREMONIAL MATTERS** – Community Presentations, Proclamations, Certificates of Service, Guest Introductions
Certificates of Service for James Stough – Borough Assembly and Mark Mitchell – Planning & Zoning Commission were presented.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA** – Mayor Jack stated that since Agenda Item 13f included the SEAPA Agreement, there was no need for an Executive Session. There was no objection from the Assembly.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None.** 

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the June 24, 2014 Public Hearing and Regular Assembly meetings, and the minutes of the July 11, 2014 Special Assembly meeting were approved, as presented.

# **COMMUNICATIONS**

- \*a. Minutes of the Regular School Board meeting held on May 19, 2014
- \*b. Travel Summary Report for the Months of April and May, 2014
- \*c. Minutes of the Thomas Bay Power Commission meetings held June 5, 2014, June 12, 2014, and June 27, 2014
- \*d. Letter of permission (POA-2014-250) from the Dept. of the Army, AK Dist. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to Kiewit Infrastructure West Co.
- \*e. Response to a permit (POA-2014-264) from John and Joan Sargent, issued by the Dept. of the Army, AK Dist. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- \*f. Update on the Conceptual Wrangell Trail Link Design Layout Amber Al-Haddad, Parks Director and Carol Rushmore Economic Development Director

## **BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT**

Borough Manager Jabusch's report was provided.

#### BOROUGH CLERK'S FILE

In addition to the Clerk's Report, Clerk Lane read a letter aloud for the Assembly and listening public from Kay Jabusch, Wrangell Librarian which announced her retirement as the Librarian, effective January 1, 2015.

# MAYOR/ASSEMBLY REPORTS AND APPOINTMENTS

10a Reports by Assembly Members

Mayor Jack reported that he attended the last Hospital Board Meeting.

- 10b M/S: Decker/McCloskey to appoint Becky Rooney to fill the vacancy on the Borough Assembly until October 2014. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.
- 10c Mayor Jack volunteered to serve as the Hospital Board Liaison up until the next election.
- **10d** Appointment to fill the vacancy on the Thomas Bay Power Commission. There were no letters of interest received for this vacancy.
- 10e Mayor Jack appointed Christina Florschultz and Apryl Hutchinson to fill the vacancies on the Planning & Zoning Commission for the unexpired terms until October 2016. There were no objections from the Assembly.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD - None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None.** 

## **NEW BUSINESS**

13a Discussion regarding changing the \$1,000,000 value for the sale or lease of borough property as defined in Charter section 5-14, Contracts and Sales (question was raised by Assembly Member Decker at the June 24, 2014 Regular Assembly mtg.)

It was the consent of the Assembly to direct the Borough Clerk to send a memo to the Economic Development Committee to have them look at what the benefits could be for the community if the threshold were increased.

13b Approval of City Tidelands Annual Five-Year Reassessments

M/S: Decker/McCloskey, to the five-year City Tideland Reassessments as presented

Mayor Jack questioned how the proposed rates compared to the current rates. Manager Jabusch said that we (Clerk) would get that information for the Assembly.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

13c Approval to award a contractor for the Waterfront Master Plan

M/S: Decker/McCloskey, to award the contract for planning services for a Waterfront Master Plan to Corvus Design, Inc. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

13d Approval to surplus a police vehicle, and items that were seized or impounded

M/S: McCloskey/Decker, to approve impounded motorcycles and Camaro to be bid and sold and to authorize the borough manager to use a boat broker to sell the impounded boat with all of the net proceeds from all sales to go towards the funding of a new Police and Fire Communication system.

Manager Jabusch explained that the boat was a drug seized vessel, also that he would like to use a boat broker since we (the City) were not knowledgeable on selling boats of this type.

# Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

13e Approval of a Contract with PND Engineers, Inc. for Contract Administration and Inspection Services for the WMSC Concrete Paving, Phase 3 project

M/S: McCloskey/Decker, to approve a contract with PND Engineers, Inc. based on Time and Expense and in the amount not to exceed \$195,412.00 for the Contract Administration and Inspection Services which is scheduled to be paid with DCCED Grant Funds. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

13f Approval of the SEAPA Formal Transition Agreement

Mayor Jack asked if the Assembly and the audience had time to review the documents. There was no request for a recess or for more time to review.

Manager Jabusch provided information on the timeline leading up to the proposed agreement.

At the request of Assembly Member Decker Manager Jabusch attempted to clarify some of the attorney verbiage in the agreement.

M/S: Decker/McCloskey, to approve the Assignment and Assumption Agreement between Southeast Alaska Power Agency, The Borough of Petersburg, The City and Borough of Wrangell and the Thomas Bay Power Authority. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

13g Discussion and possible action relating to Recycling (added at the request of Mayor Jack)

**Carl Johnson, Public Works Director**, explained to the Assembly and the listening public what the City was currently doing and would be doing in the future in the community with regards to recycling.

13h Approval of the Wrangell Medical Center's FY 2015 Budget

M/S: McCloskey/Decker, to approve the Wrangell Medical Center's Fiscal Year 2015 Budget.

Manager Jabusch attempted to answer questions from the Assembly. After discussion, Manager Jabusch was asked to report back to the Assembly with the following information:

- 1. Why 2012 sais "projected" and not actual, and
- 2. What the current cash reserves are.

Motion approved with McCloskey, Decker, and Jack voting yes; Mitchell voted no.

13i Approval of the Wrangell Marine Service Center Water Filtration Shed project

M/S: McCloskey/Decker, that staff recommends that the Assembly authorize the Borough Manager to enter into a contract with John Taylor & Sons, Inc., for the construction of the Marine Service Center Water Filtration Shed, in the contract amount of \$63,650.00 to be paid from grant funds from DCCED.

At the request of Assembly Member McCloskey, Carl Johnson explained the purpose for the filtration shed.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

ATTORNEY'S FILE - Summary report was provided to the Assembly.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** - None.

Meeting adjourned at: 8:34 p.m.

Kim Lane, CMC, Borough Clerk

David L. Jack, Mayor