

**Minutes of Special Assembly Meeting
Held August 12, 2015**

Mayor David L. Jack called the special assembly meeting to order at 12:00 p.m., August 12, 2015, in the Assembly Chambers. Assembly Members Decker, Powell, Blake, Rooney, Prysunka, and Mitchell were present. 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 PROPOSED ORDINANCE No. 905: A NON-CODE ORDINANCE OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, ESTABLISHING DUE DATES FOR THE PAYMENT OF 2015 PROPERTY TAXES, AS A TRANSITIONAL MEASURE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 901, WHICH AMENDED THE PROPERTY TAX DUE DATES IN CHAPTER 5.04 OF THE WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE (*first reading*)

M/S: Powell/Blake, to approve first reading of Ordinance No. 905, and move to a second with a Public Hearing to be held on August 25, 2015.

Assembly Member Powell clarified for the public that the due date meant that anyone could pay on or before anytime up until the due date.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

5b Approval of an Agreement for a Line of Credit between the Wrangell Medical Center and the City & Borough of Wrangell

M/S: Rooney/Mitchell, to approve a Line of Credit Agreement between the Wrangell Medical Center and the City and Borough of Wrangell, as presented.

Assembly Member Decker stated that she would like to see payback and annual renewal terms in the agreement.

Assembly Member Powell stated that he wondered if it would make more sense to have the new CEO for the Wrangell Medical Center involved in this process. Powell also asked Marla Sanger, current WMC CEO if Wrangell residents could still call the hospital and inquire about basic billing questions because his experience as of late has been that WMC Billing Staff were not answering those questions.

Marla Sanger, current WMC CEO, 223 First Avenue; and Doran Hammett, 930 Case Avenue, stated that yes, residents could still call up to the hospital and ask questions since the billing staff was still there. Powell said that that did not happen when he called up there. Mr. Hammett said that they would talk to the billing staff and make sure that they know that they could still answer billing questions.

Assembly Member Prysunka spoke in favor of the LINE OF CREDIT; he questioned if a cancellation policy in the Agreement was necessary since the City had an "out" if they wanted to cancel the agreement; the number one priority should be working towards paying the Line of Credit with the City back; Line of Credit (if needed) should be used if the Hospital were out of money and for day-to-day operations, not for new construction.

Decker stated that she would like to see this Line of Credit set up correctly from the start.

M/S: Decker/Blake, to amend main motion to include wording that requires an annual renewal if the terms are met. Amendment was approved unanimously by polled vote.

Main Motion, as amended, was approved unanimously by polled vote.

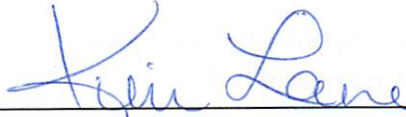
5c Approval of Amendment #3 for DOWL, for the Sewer Pumps Replacement Project, Professional Services

M/S: Powell/Decker, to approve Amendment #3 to the contract with DOWL for additional engineering services in the amount of \$22,703.00 to be paid from the CDBG/DCCED and Rural Development Program funds. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

Special meeting adjourned at 12:29 p.m.



David L. Jack, Mayor

ATTEST: 

Kim Lane, MMC, Borough Clerk

