

**Minutes of Regular Assembly Meeting
Held on June 14, 2016**

Mayor David L. Jack called the Regular Assembly meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., June 14, 2016, in the Borough Assembly Chambers. Assembly Members Decker, Rooney, Mitchell, Powell, and Blake were present. Assembly Member Prysunka participated telephonically. Borough Manager Jeff Jabusch and Deputy Borough Clerk Lavonne Klinke were also in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Assembly Member Julie Decker.

The Invocation was given by Nettie Covalt with the Presbyterian Church.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

There were no amendments to the agenda.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no Conflicts of Interest.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held 5-9-2016 and 5-24-2016; Minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Assembly meetings held 5-24-2016; Minutes of the Special Assembly meeting held 6-2-2016, were approved as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS – None.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Jabusch's report was provided.

BOROUGH CLERK'S FILE

Clerk Lane's report was provided.

MAYOR/ASSEMBLY REPORTS AND APPOINTMENTS

10a Reports by Assembly Members

Prysunka updated the Assembly on the last SEAPA meeting

Decker reported on some of the options that were discussed at the public meeting held last night Institute property.

10b Appointment to fill the vacancies on various City Boards, Committees, and Commissions

As there were no letters of interest received for the remaining vacant seats, the Mayor directed the Clerk to continue advertising.

10c Appointment to fill the vacancy on the Wrangell Medical Center Hospital Board, Unexpired term ending October 2016

As there were no letters of interest received for the vacant seat, the Mayor directed the Clerk to continue advertising.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Robert Dalrymple, US Forest Service, spoke in regards to the Wrangell Island Project and requested that the Assembly hold a Work Session with the Forest Service.

The Assembly decided to hold a Work Session on Tuesday, June 28, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. **(Clerk's note: this meeting had already been scheduled for Tuesday, June 28, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.)**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12a PROPOSED ORDINANCE No. 917: AN ORDINANCE OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, AMENDING SECTION 14.11.005, FEE SCHEDULE, OF THE WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO FEES FOR USE OF HARBORS AND PORT FACILITIES (second reading)

M/S: Rooney/Blake, to adopt Ordinance No. 917.

There was extensive discussion regarding the proposed fee schedule: Mitchell spoke in opposition, would like to see budget cuts from the Harbor Dept.; Decker spoke in opposition to the Wrangell Marine Service Center rate increase; Powell spoke in favor of the rate increases; Rooney stated that the moorage rates should go up; Blake agreed that the pleasure boat fees should to up but the commercial fishing boats shouldn't go up as much.

Harbor Master Greg Meissner and Port Commissioner's Clay Hammer and John Martin explained the reasoning for the fee increases and how the Port Commission came to its decision.

M/S: Decker/Blake, to amend the main motion, to remove the increases to section AA, Marine Service Center Fees.

Decker explained that there were a lot of unknown costs coming; goal is to keep the economic driver going. Plan is to replace the equipment in the next 25 years, would make since to keep rates low for the next 5 years.

Motion failed with Mitchell, Blake and Decker voting yes; Prysunka, Rooney, Powell and Jack voted no.

Main motion was approved Prysunka, Rooney, Powell, and Jack voting yes; Blake, Decker and Mitchell voted no.

NEW BUSINESS

13a PROPOSED RESOLUTION No. 06-16-1342: A RESOLUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, LEVYING A GENERAL TAX FOR SCHOOL AND MUNICIPAL PURPOSES UPON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE BOROUGH FOR THE TAX YEAR 2016 PURSUANT TO WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 5.04.010; PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION OF TAXES DUE IN 2015 AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES AND INTEREST FOR DELINQUENT TAXES

M/S: Powell/Rooney, to adopt Resolution No. 06-16-1342. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

13b PROPOSED RESOLUTION No. 06-16-1343: A RESOLUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR ALL FUNDS OF THE CITY OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017

M/S: Blake/Powell, to adopt Resolution No. 06-16-1343.

There was extensive discussion regarding the current changes to the budget. Assembly Member Blake stated that he would like another Work Session so that these changes could be explained.

Manager Jabusch stated that if the Budget is not adopted within three days of the next fiscal year, then the latest budget is adopted.

The Assembly requested that there be a Work Session and Special Assembly meeting.

Motion failed unanimously by polled vote.

M/S: Blake/Powell, to hold a Work Session and Special Assembly meeting on June 27, 2016 beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

13c Discussion and possible action on whether to repeal the James and Elsie Nolan Museum and Civic Center Board

M/S: Powell/Decker, to authorize the Borough Clerk to contact the Borough Attorney to collectively draft an Ordinance that the Assembly will consider at an upcoming meeting, repeals WMC Section 3.54, James and Elsie Nolan Museum and Civic Center Board.

Assembly Member Decker stated that although it has been difficult to obtain a quorum for meetings, Terri Henson, Nolan Center Director has been working closely with the Friends of the Museum.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

13d Approval of the amendments to the Wrangell Medical Center's Personnel Policy Manual

M/S: Mitchell/Blake, to approve the revised Wrangell Medical Center's Personnel Policy, as reviewed and revised by the Wrangell Hospital Board of Directors.

At the request of Assembly Member Rooney, ***Kris Reed, WMC employee*** gave a synopsis of the recommended changes to the policy.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

13e Approval of an engagement letter from Svend Brandt-Erichsen of Nossaman, LLC, Attorneys at Law

M/S: Decker/Mitchell, to approve the letter of engagement from Svend Brandt-Erichsen of Nossaman, LLP, Attorneys at Law as the Borough's electric power attorney.

Manager Jabusch gave the explanation for this need for this attorney. Jabusch also answered questions from Assembly Member Prysunka regarding the use of this attorney.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

13f Approval of the recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission regarding zoning locations for licensed marijuana facilities in Wrangell

M/S: Rooney, to approve the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission defining which licensed marijuana businesses should be allowed as a conditional use in each zoning district per the attached Table of Proposed Permissible Uses; and to direct the Borough Clerk to work collectively with the Borough Attorney to draft an Ordinance that outlines these zoning recommendations and for that Ordinance to go the Planning & Zoning Commission for approval and then for the ordinance to come back to the Borough Assembly for consideration at an upcoming meeting.

At the request of Assembly Member Blake, Planning & Zoning Commissioner Terri Henson answered question on what is currently being allowed in our downtown area. Ms. Henson also stated that a conditional use permit would be required in all areas in the Borough.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

13g PROPOSED ORDINANCE No. 918: AN ORDINANCE OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, AMENDING SECTION 13.05.010, PERMITTED ENCROACHMENTS, OF THE WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE (*first reading*)

M/S: Mitchell/Decker, to approve first reading of Ordinance No. 918 and move to Second, with a Public hearing on June 28, 2016. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

13h Approval to file an Easement and a Disclaimer of Interest for Block 83, Lot 10b, US Survey 1119, owned by Einer Ottesen Credit Shelter Trust

M/S: Powell/Rooney, to approve the City Easement on Block 83, Lot 10b, US Survey 1119, owned by Einer Ottesen Credit Shelter Trust and to authorize the Borough Attorney to file a Disclaimer of Interest on said property.

Manager Jabusch explained why this Easement was being requested; also stated that the deed had been issued but was not filed by the land owner.

13i Approval of a Letter of Support for an amendment delaying the signing of a Transition Record of Decision (requested by Assembly Member Decker)

M/S: Decker/Mitchell, to approve a letter of support to be sent to Senator Murkowski, delaying the signing of a Transition Record of Decision until a comprehensive inventory and financial analysis of the Tongass is completed.

Manager Jabusch stated that due to a time requirement, the letter had already been sent to Senator Murkowski.

ATTORNEY'S FILE – There was no attorney's file.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – There was no Executive Session.

Regular Assembly Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

ATTEST:


Kim Lane, MMC, Borough Clerk


David L. Jack, Mayor

