


Haines Borough
Borough Assembly Meeting #298
August 25, 2015
MINUTES

Adopted

1. **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:** Mayor **HILL** called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Assembly Chambers and led the pledge to the flag.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Jan **HILL**, and Assembly Members Diana **LAPHAM**, George **CAMPBELL**, Mike **CASE**, Dave **BERRY, Jr.**, Joanne **WATERMAN**, and Ron **JACKSON**.

Staff Present: David **SOSA**/Borough Manager, Julie **COZZI**/Borough Clerk, Robert **GRIFFITHS**/Chief of Police, Jila **STUART**/Chief Fiscal Officer, Dean **OLSEN**/Assessor, Tina **OLSEN**/Accountant, Helen **ALTEN**/Museum Director, and **Jennifer WALSH**/Firefighter-Training Officer.

Visitors Present: Karen **GARCIA**/CVN, Emily **FILES**/KHNS, Don **TURNER Jr.**, Kyle **PONSFORD**, David **Shuart**, Mike **WILSON**, Mike **DENKER**, Vince **HANSEN**, Valery **MCCANDLESS**, Margaret **FRIEDENAUER**, Bob and Sally **LIX**, Kathy **GRIFFITHS**, Bill **MCCORD**, Tim **HOLM**, Shane **HORTON**, and others.

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONSENT AGENDA**

The following Items were on the published consent agenda:

Consent Agenda:

- 4 – Approve Assembly Meeting Minutes
- 8B – Accept Library Report
- 9A – Accept Library Board Minutes
- 9B – Accept Parks & Rec Committee Minutes
- 9C – Accept Planning Commission Minutes
- 11A1 – Resolution 15-08-638
- 11A2 – Resolution 15-08-639

Motion: **BERRY** moved to “approve the agenda/consent agenda,” and the motion to approve the agenda/consent agenda carried unanimously.

* 4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – 8/11/15 Regular

The motion adopted by approval of the consent agenda: “approve minutes of the 8/11/15 borough assembly regular meeting.”

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

HANSEN and **MCCANDLESS** – Support the revised resolution to grant a Community Purpose Exemption for Level Two of the Veteran’s Center.

6. **MAYOR’S COMMENTS/REPORT**

Mayor **HILL** reported on the recent AML Summer Conference she recently attended in Ketchikan. Thirty mayors attended, and the Governor paid a visit. Those in attendance helped to develop the AML legislative priorities. The greatest attendance was the conference session with the ABC Board providing an update on the marijuana initiative. The 2017 AML Summer Conference will be in Haines. Regarding the tragic landslide in Sitka, she said Governor Walker was moved to tears over it. She extended to the Sitka manager condolences on behalf of Haines. Finally, the mayor sought volunteers for the Community Nonprofit Funding ad hoc committee. A meeting will be scheduled soon.

Motion to Reconsider: **WATERMAN** moved to “reconsider the vote to approve the agenda,” and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion: **CAMPBELL** moved to “amend the agenda to move item 11A3 ahead of the Public Hearings,” and the motion carried unanimously.

The motion to approve the agenda/consent agenda, as amended, carried unanimously.

11. A.3. **Resolution 15-08-640** (moved to this place during approval of the agenda).

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly approving in response to an application from Haines Assisted Living, Inc., as recommended by the borough assessor, a partial community purpose exemption for the Level Two apartments of the Soboleff-McRae Veterans Village.

Mayor **HILL** asked for public comment.

MCCANDLESS - One small correction needed to include age in the parenthetical list of eligibility criteria, and Mayor **HILL** explained it will be corrected administratively.

S.LIX – Appreciates the resolution very much.

Motion: **CAMPBELL** moved to “adopt the revised version of Resolution 15-08-640 provided in the meeting folder,” and the motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Ordinance 15-06-413 – First Hearing

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough amending various provisions of the Haines Borough Code to designate certain violations of Borough law as minor offenses and to establish a fine schedule for certain offenses and to provide for other penalties for violations.

Mayor **HILL** opened the public hearing at 6:53 p.m.

PONSFORD – Concerned about the constitutionality of the ordinance.

TURNER – Would like this ordinance to pass sooner than later but does have some concern with which employees will be able to issue citations.

HORTON – Wants the borough to completely clean up the existing code before doing anything else. Get rid of unnecessary or unenforceable laws.

HOLM – Clean up the code first and then consider this.

Hearing no further comments, the mayor closed the public hearing at 7:02 p.m.

Note: The assembly already scheduled the second hearing for 9/8/15. No motion was needed now unless the second hearing date needed to change or some other action was desired.

B. Ordinance 15-08-418 – First Hearing

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough amending Haines Borough Code Title 13, Section 13.08.260 to allow the discharge of cooling water into the municipal sewer system with specific approval from a designated borough official.

Mayor **HILL** opened and closed the public hearing at 7:21 p.m.; there were no public comments.

Note: The assembly already scheduled the second hearing for 9/8/15. No motion was needed now unless the second hearing date needed to change or some other action was desired.

8. STAFF/FACILITY REPORTS

A. Borough Manager – 8/25/15 Report

The manager summarized his written report. **CAMPBELL** and **JACKSON** had questions about the downgrading of the Klehini Valley Volunteer Fire Department’s certification. **SOSA** said he needs to look at the issues and determine needed steps to help address them.

*** B. Public Library – Report of June 2015**

9. COMMITTEE/COMMISSION/BOARD REPORTS & MINUTES

*** A. Library Advisory Board – Minutes of 6/17/15**

*** B. Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee – Minutes of 7/17/15**

*** C. Planning Commission – Minutes of 7/9/15**

D. Public Safety Commission – FYI Citizen Comments re. FSA 3

Note: assembly comments were made under the Borough Manager’s report (8A)

E. Assembly Board Liaison Reports

JACKSON – Public Safety Commission

CASE – Planning Commission
LAPHAM – Museum Board of Trustees and Library Board of Trustees
WATERMAN – Port and Harbor Advisory Committee

F. Assembly Standing Committee Reports

10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None

11. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Resolutions

* 1. **Resolution 15-08-638**

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the Borough Manager to enter into a contract with Machineworks to provide 2015-2016 janitorial services for the Borough Administration Building and specified areas in the Public Safety Building for an amount not to exceed \$16,910.

The motion adopted by approval of the consent agenda: "adopt Resolution 15-08-638."

* 2. **Resolution 15-08-639**

A Resolution of the Assembly of Haines Borough, Alaska, authorizing the issuance of a general obligation bond of the Borough in a principal amount not to exceed \$1,375,000 to finance a portion of the cost of capital improvements to Haines High School, as authorized by Ordinance No. 14-07-388 and ratified by the Borough's voters at an election held on October 7, 2014; authorizing tax levies to pay the principal thereof and interest thereon; and authorizing the sale of the bond to the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank on the terms and conditions provided in this resolution.

The motion adopted by approval of the consent agenda: "adopt Resolution 15-08-639."

3. **Resolution 15-08-640** - This item was moved ahead of Item 7 during approval of the agenda.

B. Ordinances for Introduction - None

C. Other New Business - None

12. **CORRESPONDENCE/REQUESTS**

13. **SET MEETING DATES**

A. Government Affairs & Services - Monday, 8/31, 6:30pm, Topic: Minor Offenses Ordinance

B. Government Affairs & Services - Tuesday, 9/1, 6:30pm, Topic(s): Federal, Legislative, and Local Priorities

14. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

S.LIX – Asked for microphones on the dais so the audience can hear the assembly better.

MCCORD – 1) Wants a town hall meeting to discuss the hiring of a police chief, and 2) believes he has a right to see the draft report of the police audit.

15. **ANNOUNCEMENTS/ASSEMBLY COMMENTS**

CAMPBELL – Appreciates all of the hard work by the assembly, committees, and boards.

CASE – He has received universal praise for the job the interim police chief is doing.

16. **ADJOURNMENT** – 7:50 p.m.

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to "adjourn the meeting," and the motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

Janice Hill, Mayor

Julie Cozzi, MMC, Borough Clerk