

HAINES BOROUGH ASSEMBLY MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 23, 2003 - 6:00 p.m.

THIS WAS A SPECIAL MEETING HELD SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 03-09-031 - NO OTHER BUSINESS WAS DISCUSSED.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE TO FLAG
3. ROLL CALL Present: Mayor Mike CASE and Assembly Members Jerry LAPP, Stephanie SCOTT, Lucy HARRELL and Douglas OLERUD. Absent: Chip LENDE and Debra SCHNABEL.

Staff Present: Julie COZZI/Borough Clerk and Keith BETTRIDGE/Borough Manager.

Visitors Present: Mike ARMOUR.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/CONSENT AGENDA:

M/S OLERUD/HARRELL Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

The Motion carried unanimously.

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: NONE
6. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/APPEARANCE REQUESTS: NONE
7. MAYOR'S COMMENTS/REPORT: NONE
8. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. ORDINANCE NO. 03-09-031
(Introduction and First Public Hearing)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE HAINES BOROUGH APPROPRIATING UP TO \$1,000 IN FUNDS TO USE IN COMMUNICATING THE ASSEMBLY'S POSITION REGARDING THE OCTOBER 7, 2003 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT INITIATIVES.

Mayor CASE opened and closed the public hearing at 6:05; there was no public response.

M/S HARRELL/LAPP Motion to set Ordinance 03-09-031 for its second public hearing on September 24.

M/S SCOTT/LAPP Motion to amend the text of Ordinance 03-09-031 to say "*communicating information regarding the October 7, 2003 general election tax cap ballot initiative.*"

The amendment motion carried unanimously.

OLERUD said that he had come prepared to vote against it but based on the lack of public attendance perhaps a second hearing

should be set. **SCOTT** said that an informed electorate is important. "We are trying to give information." She said that she understands **OLERUD**'s concern about cost, but "information is important and needs to be out there." **LAPP** agreed that this is something the Borough needs to do because he doesn't think people are aware of what this could do to the Borough budget. **SCOTT** said that "whether or not the initiative passes is up to the voters. However, if it should pass, it will be important that the Assembly made an attempt to inform the public of the potential for tough decisions ahead." **ARMOUR** said that he has spoken to 200-300 people about the tax cap. "Cutting spending is what they want to see. Voting for the initiatives will allow that to happen." **HARRELL** said some services require total support, i.e. fire/police dispatch does not generate revenue as opposed to the museum or boat harbor that each have revenue generating abilities.

The main motion to set ordinance 03-09-031 for its second public hearing on September 24 carried unanimously.

9. REPORTS OF BOROUGH OFFICERS/DEPARTMENT HEADS: NONE
10. BIDS/PROPOSALS RECEIVED: NONE
11. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS: NONE
12. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES: NONE
13. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS:NONE
14. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES PROPOSED FOR INTRODUCTION:NONE
15. CORRESPONDENCE: NONE
16. OLD BUSINESS: NONE
17. NEW BUSINESS: NONE
18. SET COMMITTEE MEETING DATES: NONE
19. ASSEMBLY MEMBER COMMENTS: NONE
20. ADJOURNMENT:

M/S **OLERUD/LAPP** Motion to adjourn.

Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Mike Case, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

Julie Cozzi, Borough Clerk

S E A L: