


Haines Borough
Borough Assembly SPECIAL Meeting
May 14, 2016
MINUTES

Approved

THIS SPECIAL MEETING WAS HELD SOLELY FOR CONSIDERING THE ITEMS LISTED ON THE PUBLISHED AGENDA. NO ADDITIONAL ISSUES WERE CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING.

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Mayor **HILL** called the meeting to order at 3:13 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**, Margaret **FRIEDENAUER**, Ron **JACKSON**, Tresham **GREGG**, Mike **CASE**, and George **CAMPBELL**.

Staff Present: Brad **RYAN**/Interim Borough Manager, Julie **COZZI**/Borough Clerk, Jila **STUART**/Finance Director, Krista **KIELSMEIER**/Deputy Clerk, and Patty **BROWN**/Library Director.

Visitors Present: Richard & Irina **FURSMAN**/Executive Search Consultants, Karen **GARCIA**/CVN, Emily **FILES**/KHNS, Kyle **GRAY**, Jim **SHOOK**, Carol **TUYNMAN**, Joseph **ORLANDO**, Walter **BETTS**, Evelynna **VIGNOLA**, and others.

3. APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Motion: **CAMPBELL** moved to "approve the special meeting agenda," and the motion carried unanimously.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

COZZI – Said from the perspective of both a citizen and a borough employee she appreciates the difficult and serious decision the assembly will make. She expressed her support for their ultimate choice for the next borough manager. It is true staff and citizens do not have the benefit of all information the assembly will consider, and she trusts them to make the best decision for the community.

5. BUSINESS

A. Borough Manager Hire

Consider selection of the new borough manager

Note: This was a public meeting, but a portion of it took place in Executive Session; it was eligible because a frank discussion of the finalists in an open meeting could have prejudiced the character of those involved.

Motion: **CAMPBELL** moved to "go into executive session as allowed by AS 44.62.310(b)(2) to discuss the borough manager candidates and potential selection and, if so, the terms of an agreement; this matter qualifies for executive session because it contains '...subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person...'; and invite consultants Richard and Irina Fursman and interim manager Brad Ryan to attend." The motion carried unanimously.

Present: Mayor Hill; Assembly Members Lapham, Jackson, Campbell, Friedenauer, Case, and Gregg; Consultants Richard and Irina Fursman; and Interim Manager Brad Ryan. The executive session convened at 3:17 p.m. and ended at 4:42 p.m.

Motion: **LAPHAM** moved to "ask Richard Fursman to offer the position of borough manager to William Seward," and the motion carried 4-2 in a roll call vote with **FRIEDENAUER** and **JACKSON** opposed.

Motion: **FRIEDENAUER** moved to "authorize Richard Fursman to negotiate a contract with William Seward," and the motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

Mr. **FURSMAN** recommended an open-ended contract since the assembly always maintains the ability to terminate with or without cause. If the borough pays his transportation and lodging costs, he offered to return after six months, free of charge, to assist with a performance review. He wants this to work.

Motion: **CASE** moved that "Brad Ryan continue with interim manager salary until two weeks after the new manager begins work," and the motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

7. ADJOURNMENT- 5:10 p.m.

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

ATTEST:

Julie Cozzi

Julie Cozzi, MMC, Borough Clerk

Deputy Clerk for
J. Cozzi



Janice Hill
Janice Hill, Mayor