
Haines Borough
Borough Assembly Meeting #225
June 12, 2012
MINUTES

Approved

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Mayor **SCOTT** 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 Stephanie **SCOTT** and Assembly Members Joanne **WATERMAN**, Jerry **LAPP**, Norman **SMITH**, Steve **VICK**, Debra **SCHNABEL**, and Daymond **HOFFMAN**.

Staff Present: Mark **EARNEST**/Borough Manager, Julie **COZZI**/Borough Clerk, Jila **STUART**/Chief Fiscal Officer, Brian **LEMCKE**/Director of Public Facilities, Tanya **CARLSON**/Tourism Director, Jerrie **CLARKE**/Museum Director, Patricia **BROWN**/Library Director, Gary **LOWE**/Chief of Police, Darsie **CULBECK**/Special Projects Consultant, and Adam **PATTERSON**/Police Officer.

Visitors Present: Tom **MORPHET**/CVN, Margaret **FRIEDENAUER**/KHNS, Bill **KURZ**, Fred **EINSPRUCH**, Paul **NELSON**, Sara **CHAPPELL**, Melissa **ARONSON**, Ann **HANSEN**, Norman **HUGHES**, and others.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONSENT AGENDA (Items with the *asterisk are on the consent agenda)

Motion: **LAPP** moved to "approve the Agenda/Consent Agenda," and it was amended to add 11C4 appt to museum board under new business and add to consent agenda the 11C3 memo she drafted regarding walker lake. . The amended motion carried unanimously.

* **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Regular: 5/8, 5/29 Special: 5/15, 5/18

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

BERLAND, representing a group called *Haines We the People*, explained a "Haines Cash Back for Cash" program proposed by the group as a possible way to keep some of the money in town that goes to credit card companies. To be successful, both business owners and consumers would need to consent. The assembly can help launch the program by adopting a resolution of support. **SCOTT** suggested one of the assembly's committee's might want to take up this topic.

ALBOROUGH commented about the proposed increase to the boat launch ramp fee and asked for a more gradual stepped increase if it must to be raised.

DUBBER said he is opposed to paying for a lobbyist to represent the borough in Washington D.C. It would be better to keep the \$50K here. Also, he believes the borough manager should be a local hire because a local resident will be more concerned about the municipality's future.

ROZBICKI spoke as an individual and not on behalf of anyone. He asked **EARNEST** to endorse someone to be interim manager. He would like to see someone like **SCHNABEL** be appointed interim. The long-term interests of Haines are critical. If **EARNEST** is appointed as interim and he's actually willing to commit to a full 6-month period, the appointment should be tied to a wage penalty for early departure.

PARNELL thanked the assembly and mayor for the public recognition at the last meeting for his work as assistant harbormaster.

6. MAYOR'S COMMENTS/REPORT

Mayor **SCOTT** read two very positive letters/emails she recently received. The first was an email about the museum, and the other was a note from the Rasmussen Foundation that included an informal resolution.

Skagway is also concerned about the erosion of the day boat concept in the upper Lynn Canal. The economies of Juneau, Haines, and Skagway depend upon the ferry service. Skagway would appreciate the Haines Borough Assembly weighing in. She requested the Government Affairs & Services Committee consider reviewing the issue to make a recommendation to the assembly.

The mayor provided a progress report on the assembly's strategic plan goals and asked **SCHNABEL** to report on the "slate of candidates" goal. **SCHNABEL** distributed a memo to the assembly with the results of her meeting with the clerk, including possible options.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Ordinance 12-04-286 – Third Hearing

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough, Alaska, providing for the establishment and adoption of the budget of the Haines Borough for the period July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.

Mayor **SCOTT** opened the public hearing at 7:00pm.

ROZBICKI said he understands there might be an opportunity to avoid raising the mill rate. The taxation is of concern to businesses in Haines despite a slight increase in sales tax revenue which is most likely due to the increase in fuel costs.

BROWN said the library receives many positive letters. The library is well-used. Even having the same budget as last year would be a tremendous help.

CLARKE thanked the mayor for reading the letter about the museum. She has no doubt the assembly is trying to do what's best for the borough. They stand to lose 10% of what they need in the budget and may have to cut a position. A smaller cut would be helpful.

Hearing no further comments, the mayor closed the public hearing at 7:09pm.

Motion: LAPP moved to "adopt Ordinance 12-04-286," and the budget associated with this ordinance was amended to:

1. Reduce the areawide mill rate to 6.08 (7.63 with the debt service included);
2. Restore the museum and library budgets to their FY12 levels with the funds coming from the areawide fund balance; and
3. Budget \$3,000K from the Economic Development Fund to fund two special events: Little League Tournament (\$1,500) and the Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve anniversary (\$1,500).

The main motion, as amended, carried unanimously, and the FY13 budget was adopted.

EARNEST thanked the assembly, mayor, and staff for all of the work that went into this budget. The process is ongoing; there is never a complete picture when the manager's budget is first prepared.

During the discussion prior to adoption, **SCHNABEL** moved to reduce the economic development appropriation for a D.C. lobbyist from \$50K to \$20K for FY13, but it failed 1-5. She said she was impressed by the mayor's memo. She would like to see the borough draw back and build from there if it is necessary. **SCOTT** said a new arrangement would have to be negotiated and approved by the assembly, and the lobbyist might not be interested. **EARNEST** said he has a long professional history with Gilman. It's almost impossible to quantify the value of a lobbyist. There are people in the community who oppose any type of federal funding. He believes that if the federal funding wasn't coming to Haines, it would go somewhere else. The problem with small communities like Haines is they cannot compete against large cities like New York in applying for grant funds. He strongly believes the \$500K grant for Picture Point would not have happened without Gilman's efforts. When congress is working on crafting allocations, Alaska communities can get left out. He strongly advises maintaining Gilman. As long as there are harbors, bridges, and roads to fund, the federal government will award funding. He does believe Gilman would be willing to adjust the compensation downward. The assembly could meet with him via teleconference. He recommends leaving the appropriation at a minimum of \$36,000 and go from there. **HOFFMAN** said the assembly should focus on getting more for the money already being spent as opposed to reducing or deleting it. He agreed with the mayor that the assembly could come up with some ideas for tasks. **VICK** said he understands that Gilman is the borough's "ear on the ground" along with advocating for Haines. The rules are changing in Washington. Where, how, and when funds are available is different than it was. The assembly should talk with Gilman. He is opposed to making a decision based on what the assembly believes is too much money. **SCOTT** said Haines is at the high end of the range of what communities pay for lobbyists. **SCHNABEL** said she remembers when Gilman was hired. Haines was hot on a harbor. The reason the rate was higher was because of that. **WATERMAN** personally believes there must be communication on a federal level. If not done by a lobbyist, it would have to be done by staff. She doesn't know who could take on the extra workload. She's totally open to negotiating with Gilman. She asked what the procedure would be for negotiating a contract. **EARNEST** said when Gilman was hired; it was done through correspondence that included scope of work but no formal contract. He recommends scheduling a committee of the whole meeting to have a conversation with him. He's got a lot of ideas and is one of the hardest working people he's ever come across in his professional life. He's excited about being more engaged and is very happy to entertain a larger community involvement. He would not rule out the federal funding for the boat harbor yet.

LAPP said he wants to reduce the areawide mill rate amount and explained his reasoning. The borough received an extra \$188K in revenue for the schools and it was designed to provide relief to the taxpayer. **VICK** said there is a significant fund balance in the townsite (not the areawide). The borough exists to provide services, so the assembly should fund services with the fund balance.

SCOTT explained the museum and library cannot be funded through the townsite service area. **VICK** asked how much it would take to fund the library and museum at 100% out of the areawide fund balance (to restore those two budgets to the FY12 levels).

Motion: WATERMAN moved for a 5-minute recess to provide staff an opportunity to determine what the numbers would be, and the motion carried unanimously.

STUART announced that \$21K would restore the library and museum budgets to the FY12 levels. She said the mill rate in the townsite will actually go down for FY13. Reducing the areawide mill rate will reduce ALL mill rates.

B. Ordinance 12-05-288 – Second Hearing

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the borough manager to accept loans from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation for water system improvements.

Mayor **SCOTT** opened and closed the public hearing at 8:05pm; there were no public comments.

Motion: LAPP moved to "adopt Ordinance 12-05-288," and the motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote. There was no discussion.

C. Ordinance 12-05-291 – Second Hearing

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough Assembly amending Haines Borough Code Sections 18.20.020, 18.30.010, 18.30.060, 18.40.030, 18.50.030, 18.60.010, and 18.90.030 to revise the types of permits and their uses, and the timeframes associated with acceptance and approval of permits.

Mayor **SCOTT** opened and closed the public hearing at 8:06pm; there were no public comments.

Motion: WATERMAN moved to "adopt Ordinance 12-05-291," and the motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote. There was no discussion.

D. Ordinance 12-05-292 – Second Hearing

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough Assembly adopting, by ordinance, a revised fee schedule including rates, fees and penalties for harbor facility usage.

Mayor **SCOTT** opened the public hearing at 8:07pm.

HUGHES explained this ordinance came out of the Port and Harbor Advisory Committee. They met today and propose no further changes, at this time. They stand behind the proposed fee changes.

Hearing no further comments, the mayor closed the public hearing at 8:07pm.

Motion: LAPP moved to "adopt Ordinance 12-05-292," and it was amended to reduce the non-compliance fee under #2-Boat Launch Ramp Fees from \$100 to \$60 and to insert in #12-Penalties for Violations the text "unless otherwise specified in the Harbor Fee Schedule." The amended motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

During discussion, **HUGHES** said **ALBOROUGH** is the only one (during this meeting's public comment period), other than assembly members, who has come forward opposing the proposed launch ramp and daily use fees. **WATERMAN** observed **ALBOROUGH** was speaking to the original proposed rates, and those were reduced by the assembly at the last meeting. **SMITH** believes there is an error in the violation fees and asked if the non-compliance ramp fee is different from the other penalties. **HUGHES** explained the noncompliance fee is related to the boat launch fee. The other penalties are generalized for the other things the staff would be writing tickets for. **WATERMAN** suggested the Port and Harbor Advisory Committee look at the discrepancy to suggest clarification. **HUGHES** offered that if the non-compliance fee is struck, it might simplify things. **SMITH** moved to strike the non-compliance fees from sections #2 and #4 but the motion failed 1-5. **BENNER** said usually the violation would be more than the launch ramp fee. **VICK** offered that it might be sufficient to make an "unless otherwise noted" statement in the penalties section. Regarding hazardous waste, **HOFFMAN** asked if it would cost more to have separate disposal categories. **SCHNABEL** said it should be discussed by the Committee and harbormaster.

Motion: HOFFMAN moved to "request the Port and Harbor Advisory Committee examine the idea of separate disposal of various types of hazardous waste," and the motion carried unanimously.

E. Ordinance 12-05-293 – First Hearing

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough Assembly providing for the addition or amendment of specific line items to the FY12 budget.

Mayor **SCOTT** opened and closed the public hearing at 8:30pm; there were no public comments.

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to "advance Ordinance 12-05-293 to a second public hearing on 6/26/12," and it was amended to:

1. Increase the appropriation from the Medical Service Area fund to pay for replacement of the 26-mile repeater from \$9,400 to \$18,800, and
2. Decrease the grant revenue and expenditures budgeted for a Safe Routes to Schools Planning grant from \$9,000 to \$1,000.

The amended motion carried unanimously.

LAPP said the finance committee met to discuss the two amendments outlined in the Chief Fiscal Officer's 6/6/12 memo. For the 26-mile repeater item, the original budget amendment had 1/3 of the total cost being paid by public facilities, 1/3 by medical service, and 1/3 by Klehini Valley Volunteer Fire Department. This amendment would eliminate the share paid by public facilities so that 2/3 of the cost is paid by the Medical Service Area fund. For the Safe Routes to Schools item, \$1,000 is the amount of the grant expected to be expended during FY12. The remaining \$8,000 will be budgeted in FY13.

8. STAFF/FACILITY REPORTS

A. Borough Manager – 6/12 Report

EARNEST said Channel Construction is interested in bringing back the scrap metal barge this fall. He also provided an update to the Phase 3 Roads and the Third Avenue project.

LEMCKE explained his change of philosophy on the Chilkat Center. It's difficult for him to justify spending \$68K more on a roof design and perhaps the funds should be redirected to putting a new metal roof on the building after peeling off the shingles. It has to be viewed as a temporary measure just to fix the leaky roof without repairing the other problems. It can be likened to putting a blue tarp over a leaking garage until there is a long term plan and funding. He would issue an RFP with specifications. **WATERMAN** understands it's a temporary short term fix. She wants a plan for the next step because she believes the assembly has made it very clear it wants to save that building. **LEMCKE** proposes this as a stop gap, because it will stop the water from flowing in. It is triage until a plan is prepared. **EARNEST** suggested the FY12 budget amendment ordinance in two weeks would be a good time to amend the CIP description from 'design' to 'roof repair.' He agrees with **LEMCKE's** recommendation. **VICK** supports the idea. It doesn't mean it will or won't be fixed long-term. **LEMCKE** said he hopes the RFP can be issued soon so there is time before the snow starts falling.

EARNEST said the administration as well as two PND engineers recently visited Excursion Inlet. The main focus was on the bridge, road, hydroelectric project, and Ocean Beauty. During the visit, he received a request for the borough to fund a 40-foot extension to what is considered to be the city dock, and he plans to bring that request to the assembly soon. **SCOTT** asked the manager to consider providing an opportunity for Excursion Inlet residents to participate in a meeting with the assembly regarding their requests.

SMITH asked for an update on various things including the planning and zoning seasonal position, ice house, website redesign, and harbor truck. **EARNEST** responded Steve Ritzinger is working on a part-time schedule in the planning department and said the harbor truck is expected to arrive soon. **COZZI** gave an update on the new website scheduled to go live on Friday, 6/22. **BENNER** said the ice house is working and providing better ice than ever. There is a delivery system in place.

* **B. Sheldon Museum – April 2012 staff report and 4/19/12 board meeting minutes**

* **C. Public Library – April 2012 staff report and 4/25/12 board meeting minutes**

9. COMMITTEE/COMMISSION/BOARD REPORTS & MINUTES

A. Assembly Committees

1. Committee of the Whole

SCOTT reported the assembly met to discuss the borough manager applications. The new application analyses should be turned into the Clerk.

2. Commerce Committee

SCHNABEL reported the recent committee meeting was well attended by fishermen. The state

Fish & Game representatives said they are constitutionally mandated to protect the wild fisheries.

3. Finance & Budget

LAPP reported the committee met and, in addition to discussing the FY12 budget amendment ordinance, continued their consideration of a motor vehicle tax.

4. Personnel & Labor Relations

5. Government Affairs & Services

VICK reported he was the only committee member present at the recent meeting held to discuss the APOC ballot measure and local reporting. He had a good discussion with others persons in attendance, and he plans to schedule another committee meeting on the matter.

* B. Planning Commission

* C. School Board

* D. Advisory Boards

* E. Service Area Boards

* F. Ad Hoc Boards & Committees

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolutions

1. Resolution 12-06-364

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing an agreement with Carson Dorn, Inc. for 2012 household hazardous waste disposal services for an estimated amount of \$20,000.

There were no public comments.

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to "adopt Resolution 12-06-364," and it was seconded. The motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

SMITH asked how much of the cost is for disposal of the hazardous waste at the harbor. **SCOTT** responded this is specifically the household waste collection. **BENNER** explained there are separate drums at the harbor; oil is not mixed with gasoline. There is a smart ash burner that burns some of it, but the rest is taken to Public Works. Once or twice a year, the borough pays to dispose of the waste.

2. Resolution 12-06-365

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the Borough Manager to enter into an agreement with PND Engineers, Inc. to provide engineering design services for the Letnikof Cove Harbor Refurbishment Project for an amount not to exceed \$61,750.

HUGHES said the Port and Harbor Advisory Committee reviewed this, and their recommendation is to adopt.

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to "adopt Resolution 12-06-365," and the motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

EARNEST noted there will be an opportunity for review at the 65% design. This is envisioned to be a 2013 project, although one component---the PC Dock gangway---will be done in 2014.

3. Resolution 12-06-366

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the Borough Manager to enter into an agreement with PND Engineers, Inc. to provide contract administration and inspection services for the South Portage Cove Harbor Expansion Project on a time and expenses basis for a not-to-exceed limit of \$10,000.

HUGHES said the Port and Harbor Advisory Committee reviewed this, and their recommendation is to adopt.

Motion: **LAPP** moved to "adopt Resolution 12-06-366," and it was amended to strike the words '*to provide contract administration and engineering and bid document preparation.*' The motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote. There was no discussion except to note the title contained extra wording that was incorrect.

4. Resolution 12-06-367

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the Borough Manager to lease an easement within a borough-owned Right of Way to the Estate of Richard M. Comerford.

There were no public comments.

Motion: WATERMAN moved to "adopt Resolution 12-06-367," and it was seconded. The motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote. There was no discussion.

5. Resolution 12-06-368

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the Borough Manager to execute a purchase order for Kendall Ford of Wasilla to purchase a pickup for the Public Facilities Department for an amount not to exceed \$19,995.

There were no public comments.

Motion: WATERMAN moved to "adopt Resolution 12-06-368," and it was seconded. The motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote. There was no discussion.

Motion: WATERMAN moved to recess for 5 minutes, and the motion carried unanimously.

6. Resolution 12-06-369

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the borough manager to enter into an agreement with the Takshanuk Watershed Council regarding the Alaska Coastal Impact Assistance Program grant "Brown Parcel Acquisition and Conservation Purchase-F12AF00362.

RYAN explained this is to purchase the parcel which Takshanuk Watershed Council has been paying on. They will administer this grant, and the borough will not be burdened with it.

Motion: WATERMAN moved to "adopt Resolution 12-06-369," and the motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote. There was no discussion.

7. Resolution 12-06-370

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the borough manager to enter into an agreement with the Takshanuk Watershed Council regarding the "Sawmill Creek Fish Passage Improvement" project.

RYAN explained this was proposed to be on a state road and he worked with the manager and director of public facilities to move it to a borough road.

Motion: WATERMAN moved to "adopt Resolution 12-06-370," and the motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote. There was no discussion.

8. Resolution 12-06-371

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the Borough Manager to execute a purchase order with Lutak Lumber to purchase a boiler and associated equipment for an amount not to exceed \$30,052.

There were no public comments.

Motion: WATERMAN moved to "adopt Resolution 12-06-371," and it was amended to delete 'Lutak Lumber' from both the title and resolution statement and insert in the fifth whereas the words '*or by a licensed mechanical contractor by force account.*' The amended motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

LEMCKE explained the amendments are needed because he was informed of some additional information that makes it important to have more options.

B. Ordinances for Introduction - None

C. Other New Business

1. Federal Priorities Ad Hoc Advisory Group

The mayor is interested in forming a Federal Priorities ad hoc Advisory Group and sought assembly concurrence.

Motion: SCHNABEL moved to "create a subcommittee of the planning commission to develop the federal priorities list for presentation to federal agencies," and it was seconded.

During discussion, **SCHNABEL** said she would also like to see any citizen-appointed groups be

advisory to the planning commission who would in turn advise the borough on all projects. All projects should be known by the planning commission. The federal priorities committee should include a member of the planning commission. She believes the planning commission can appoint a subcommittee made up of more than just commissioners who would report to the planning commission. **SCOTT** said perhaps the planning commission should be given some latitude. **WATERMAN** has concerns with the mayor's proposal because it seems to exclude the manager and assembly. The current process works but any way that the planning commission and the public can be included is great. She's concerned that the assembly and manager not be excluded from this process. **SCHNABEL** said weaving together all of the various groups who have their own specific focus into the borough's planning efforts is important, and she would like to see the planning commission consider this. **EARNEST** wants to make sure there is understanding that some things will come to the assembly directly from the manager, but he does see this as a possible way to get more involvement. **WATERMAN** said this is a teamwork thing. More inclusion is good. She suggested the assembly might meet jointly in a workshop with the planning commission to discuss this.

Primary Amendment: **SCHNABEL** moved to strike "to federal agencies," and it carried 5-1 with **SMITH** opposed.

Motion to Table: **SCHNABEL** moved to table the amended motion, and it carried 5-1 with **SMITH** opposed.

Motion: **SCHNABEL** moved that "at the June 14, 2012 planning commission meeting, inform the commissioners the assembly would like to meet with them in a joint workshop to discuss the work the planning commission can do," and it was seconded.

During discussion, **WATERMAN** questioned the need for a formal motion to inform the planning commission. The assembly's intent is to simply ask the commission to meet with the assembly to discuss federal priorities and the possibility of a subcommittee. All agreed the motion on the floor could be dispatched. The mayor agreed to take the message as communicated by the assembly during their discussion.

Motion to Table: **SCHNABEL** moved to table the motion, and it carried unanimously.

2. Interim Borough Manager Appointment

SCHNABEL disclosed that she believes she has a conflict of interest since she is a candidate for the manager position and asked to be excused from discussion and official action. The mayor determined that to be the case, and there was no objection from the assembly.

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to "rescind the March 27, 2012 motion to accept the manager's resignation," and the motion carried 4-1 in a roll call vote with **SMITH** opposed (and Schnabel recused).

WATERMAN believes this is the most prudent thing to do. With the many things going on, it's the best option for the borough and allows the assembly time to find a new manager while being on track with the original transition time. **HOFFMAN** agreed. **SMITH** said he does not agree with this and would prefer an interim month-to-month appointment with no benefits. **VICK** said situations change. He asked if this option is suitable to the manager. **EARNEST** explained that he thought he had an opportunity to enroll his son into a special school and resigned in order to be able to do that. After going through the application process, the school and he and his wife made the decision to defer for one year. He would love to continue to serve Haines as the borough manager. He has had numerous people come to him since the story broke. He would do anything for his family, and part of that is having the opportunity to spend more time in this community. The science and math courses in Haines are topnotch, and he can think of no better school for his son at this time.

3. Mayor's Memo re. Walker Lake Comments

SCOTT read her drafted comments and asked for the assembly's affirmation. **WATERMAN** suggested the stronger word "emphasized" as opposed to 'acknowledged' for critical habitat.

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to "approve the draft letter with the word "acknowledged" changed to "emphasized," and it carried unanimously.

4. Appointment of Janine Allen to the Museum Board of Trustees

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to "confirm the mayor's appointment of Janine Allen to the Museum Board of Trustees," and the motion carried unanimously.

12. CORRESPONDENCE/REQUESTS

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A. Haines Cash Back for Cash Program - Haines We the People

13. SET MEETING DATES

A. Government Affairs & Services Committee – Tuesday, 6/19, 5:30pm – Purpose: APOC, Skagway AML system letter, and slate of candidates issue.

B. Commerce Committee – Tuesday, 6/19, 4:30pm - Purpose: Resource extraction and the proposed Cash Back program.

C. Community Center RFQ Selection Committee – Wednesday, 6/13, 12:00noon

14. PUBLIC COMMENTS

OLERUD said it bothers her to hear from the latest economic report that Haines has the second lowest wages in Alaska. The borough government continues to grow and she wondered if things are getting out of balance.

STUDLEY disagreed with **SCHNABEL** about the planning commission being involved with every issue. Working together is one thing but putting it "under their thumb" is another. Fixing the roof is a good short term alternative for fixing the problem at the Chilkat Center. He also believes the current public process is ineffective. The public can't speak to amendments that are made by the assembly after the public comment period. The assembly made some really tough but good decisions during this meeting although he doesn't like the process. He thanked **COZZI** for her work on the Comerford easement.

KURZ agreed with most of **STUDLEY**'s comments. He is a proponent of local hire. The lobbying could be done from Haines and accomplish the same work.

FRIEDENAUER read a statement concerning the short term proposal to repair the Chilkat Center roof. Any action to fix the roof is supported provided it doesn't end there and discussions continue to take place regarding preserving the long term life of the facility.

CLARKE said the Library, Museum, and Chilkat Center facilities are the face of the borough, and she appreciated the assembly restoring the budgets for the museum and library.

HUGHES said there is a king salmon feed on Saturday from 6 to 10pm in Dalton City. Regarding federal priorities, he believes the advisory committees are the grassroots of Haines and should be afforded an opportunity to recommend items for the annual priorities list.

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

SCHNABEL said she anticipates the Community Foundation making a presentation to the assembly sometime in July. The Foundation would like the borough to consider designating a percentage of the money generated by the Permanent Fund to generate money for the community non-profits.

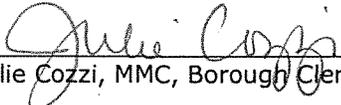
LAPP suggested the assembly consider the Excursion Inlet request to extend their city dock.

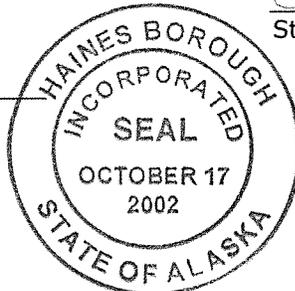
SCOTT invited the assembly members to become a part of her "book club" and distributed copies of "Getting to Resolution." She hopes everyone will become *resolutionists*.

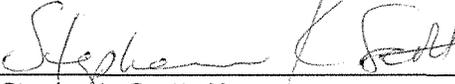
16. ADJOURNMENT – 10:41 p.m.

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

ATTEST


Julie Cozzi, MMC, Borough Clerk




Stephanie Scott, Mayor