


Haines Borough
Borough Assembly Meeting #276
August 26, 2014
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 Jerry **LAPP**, Debra **SCHNABEL**, Joanne **WATERMAN**, Dave **BERRY**, George **CAMPBELL**, and Diana **LAPHAM**.

Staff Present: David **SOSA**/Borough Manager, Julie **COZZI**/Borough Clerk, Bill **MUSSER**/Chief of Police, Leslie **ROSS**/Tourism Director, Helen **ALTEN**/Museum Director, and Jila **STUART**/Finance Director.

Visitors Present: Karen **GARCIA**/CVN, Margaret **FRIEDENAUER**/KHNS, Bill and Libby **KURZ**, Mike **CASE**, Paul **WHEELER**, Jeanne **KITAYAMA**, Mario **BENASSI**, Paul **NELSON**, Patty **BROWN** (teacher), Dean **LARI**, Carla **CHAVEZ**, Lee **HEINMILLER**, Bill **MCCORD**, Scott S. **HANSEN**, Diane **SLY**, Jansy **HANSEN**, Scott **SUNDBERG**, Joseph **ORLANDO**, and others.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONSENT AGENDA

The following Items were on the published consent agenda:

Consent Agenda:

- 8B – Chilkat Center Report
- 8C – Museum Report
- 9A – Planning Commission Minutes
- 9B – Museum Minutes
- 11A2 – Resolution 14-08-584

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

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 8/12/14 Regular

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to “approve the minutes of the 8/12/14 assembly meeting,” and the motion carried unanimously.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

J.HANSEN and **BROWN** spoke in support of funding for the Takshanuk Watershed Council afterschool forest program.

SUNDBERG spoke in favor of Ordinance 14-08-390 (agenda item 11B1).

6. MAYOR’S COMMENTS/REPORT

Mayor **SCOTT** summarized her written report of her trip to Nome to attend the AML and ACoM summer meetings. It was worthwhile and she appreciated the opportunity to attend. She was also able to take advantage of the recent brief visit to Haines by Senator Begich and bend his ear about some topics of concern to Haines.

She congratulated the Foundation for the Chilkat Center on their successful grant award.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Resolution 14-07-580

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly opposing the passage of the initiative to legalize recreational marijuana in Alaska and urging voters to defeat ballot measure 2.

Mayor **SCOTT** opened the public hearing at 6:39pm.

NELSON, CHAVEZ, EINSRUCH, LARI, P.BROWN, and **HEINMILLER** spoke against the resolution.

B.KURZ spoke in favor of the mayor’s proposed substitute resolution.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor **SCOTT** closed the public hearing at 6:57pm.

Motion: **BERRY** moved to “adopt Resolution 14-07-580,” and the motion carried 4-3 with **SCHNABEL, WATERMAN,** and **CAMPBELL** opposed and the mayor breaking the tie in the affirmative.

- B. Ordinance 14-07-384** – Second hearing
An Ordinance of the Haines Borough placing a proposition on the October 7, 2014 Haines Borough General Election ballot to amend Borough Charter Section 16.04 to remove the requirement for a runoff election if a candidate does not receive at least 40% of votes cast to be elected to borough office.

Mayor **SCOTT** opened and closed the public hearing at 7:16pm; there were no public comments.

Motion: **BERRY** moved to “adopt Ordinance 14-07-384,” and the motion carried 4-2 in a roll call vote with **CAMPBELL** and **LAPP** opposed.

- C. Ordinance 14-07-385** – Second hearing
An Ordinance of the Haines Borough to amend Borough Code Section 11.48.50 to provide that candidates receiving the greatest number of votes cast shall be declared the winners of an election even if the greatest number of votes cast is less than 40% of the total votes cast and to eliminate the requirement for a runoff election.

Mayor **SCOTT** opened the public hearing at 7:26pm.

L.HEINMILLER spoke in opposition.

Hearing no further comments, the mayor closed the public hearing at 7:28pm.

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to “adopt Ordinance 14-07-385,” and the motion carried 5-1 in a roll call vote with **CAMPBELL** opposed.

- D. Ordinance 14-07-386** – Second hearing
An Ordinance of the Haines Borough providing for the addition or amendment of specific line items to the FY14 budget.

Mayor **SCOTT** opened and closed the public hearing at 7:36pm; there were no public comments.

Motion: **CAMPBELL** moved to “adopt Ordinance 14-07-386,” and the motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

- E. Ordinance 14-07-387** – Second hearing
A non-code Ordinance of the Haines Borough approving the sale to Haines Brewing Company Inc. of Lot [TBD], Primary School Subdivision Plat No. 2014-[TBD], Haines Recording District, First Judicial District, State of Alaska.

Mayor **SCOTT** opened and closed the public hearing at 7:39pm; there were no public comments.

MCCORD asked if the apple trees could be saved as a condition of the sale.

Hearing no further comments, the mayor closed the hearing at 7:40pm.

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to “adopt Ordinance 14-07-387,” and the motion carried 5-1 in a roll call vote with **CAMPBELL** opposed.

- F. Ordinance 14-07-388** – Second hearing
An Ordinance of the Haines Borough authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$3,938,141 to finance up to three projects for capital improvements to school facilities of the Borough; authorizing submission to the qualified voters of the Borough at the regular Election to be held on October 7, 2014, of three propositions, one for each of the capital improvement projects authorized by this ordinance; appropriating funds for those projects that are approved by the voters; and providing for an effective date.

Mayor **SCOTT** opened and closed the public hearing at 8:04pm; there were no public comments.

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to “adopt Ordinance 14-07-388,” and the motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote opposed.

- G. Ordinance 14-08-389** – First hearing
An Ordinance of the Haines Borough providing for the addition or amendment of specific line items to the FY15 budget.

Mayor **SCOTT** opened the public hearing at 8:15pm.

NELSON asked for an explanation of the phrase "addition or amendment of specific line items." The mayor drew his attention to the proposed amendments listed in the ordinance document.

Hearing no further comments, the mayor closed the public hearing at 8:17pm.

Motion: **LAPP** moved to "advance Ordinance 14-08-389 to a second public hearing on 9/9/14," and the motion carried 5-1 with **CAMPBELL** opposed.

8. STAFF/FACILITY REPORTS

A. Borough Manager – 8/26/14 Report

SOSA summarized his written report.

* **B. Chilkat Center** – Facility Report of July 2014

* **C. Sheldon Museum** – Staff Report of July 2014

9. COMMITTEE/COMMISSION/BOARD REPORTS & MINUTES

* **A. Planning Commission** – Minutes of 7/10/14

* **B. Museum Board of Trustees** – Minutes of 7/31/14

C. Assembly Standing Committee Reports

SCHNABEL reported the committee met on the 8/19/14 and recommends the assembly consider a substitute signage ordinance that will come to them on 9/9/14. Additionally, the committee continues to work on a comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan ordinance and will also be discussing the option of limiting the number of commercial tour permits in September.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolutions

1. Resolution 14-08-583

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the allocation of FY15 Budgeted Funds to Non-profit Organizations.

There were no public comments.

Motion: **LAPP** moved to "adopt Resolution 14-08-583," and it was amended to remove \$32,482 Community Chest from Fund 01. *Note: The amendment motion carried 4-2 with **BERRY** and **SCHNABEL** opposed.* The main motion, as amended, failed 2-4 in a roll call vote with **BERRY**, **LAPHAM**, **SCHNABEL**, and **CAMPBELL** opposed.

Motion: **BERRY** moved to "adopt Resolution 14-08-583 without amendment," and the motion carried 4-2 in a roll call vote with **WATERMAN** and **CAMPBELL** opposed.

* **2. Resolution 14-08-584**

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the Borough Manager to enter into a contract with Stickler Construction Company for the Administration Building Roof Replacement project for an amount not-to-exceed \$89,005.

The motion adopted by approval of the consent agenda: "adopt Resolution 14-08-584."

B. Ordinances for Introduction

1. Ordinance 14-08-390

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough to amend Borough Code Sub-Section 5.18.080 to allow requests for special ski events to be submitted prior to a ski season for the borough manager's approval.

Motion: **BERRY** moved to "refer Ordinance 14-08-390 to the Commerce Committee and staff for a recommendation to come to the assembly on 9/9/14," and it carried unanimously.

C. Other New Business

1. Sales Tax Exemption Request – Foundation for the Chilkat Center for the Arts

Note: Foundation for the Chilkat Center for the Arts, a 501(c)3 organization, has applied for sales tax exemption status as allowed by HBC 3.80.050(13).

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to "approve the request from Foundation for the Chilkat Center for the Arts for sales tax exemption status, and authorize the borough clerk to issue an exemption certificate," and the motion carried 5-1 with **LAPP** opposed.

12. CORRESPONDENCE/REQUESTS

A. Comments re. Chilkoot River Corridor – T.Ely

13. SET MEETING DATES

A. Commerce Committee Meeting – Tuesday, 9/2, 5:30pm, Topics: Ordinance 14-08-390 (special ski events) and Tax Incentive Program.

B. Commerce Committee Meeting – Thursday, 9/11, 10:30am, joint meeting with the Tourism Advisory Board, Topics: Limiting Number of Tour Permits (Chilkoot River Corridor)

An additional Commerce Committee Meeting will be scheduled to continue work on the Solid Waste Management Plan, date and time to be determined.

14. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

SCOTT encouraged the assembly to join her at the cruise ship dock on Wednesdays.

LAPHAM will attend the 9/9/14 meeting by phone, because of a planned visit to Kensington Mine.

WATERMAN will be out of town for the 9/23 meeting and will most likely not be available to attend by phone.

16. ADJOURNMENT – 9:08 p.m.

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

ATTEST:


Julie Cozzi, MMC, Borough Clerk




Stephanie Scott, Mayor