
Haines Borough
Borough Assembly Meeting #280
October 28, 2014
MINUTES

Approved

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

Present: Mayor Stephanie **SCOTT** and Mayor-elect Jan **HILL**; Assembly Members Joanne **WATERMAN**, Jerry **LAPP**, Debra **SCHNABEL**, Dave **BERRY**, and Diana **LAPHAM**; and Assembly Members-elect Ron **JACKSON** and Mike **CASE**. Absent: George **CAMPBELL**

Staff Present: David **SOSA**/Borough Manager, Julie **COZZI**/Borough Clerk, Bill **MUSSER**/Chief of Police, Carlos **JIMENEZ**/Director of Public Facilities, Patty **BROWN**/Library Director, Leslie **ROSS**/Interim Community & Economic Development Director, Albert **GIDDINGS**/CYD Director, and Jila **STUART**/Finance Director.

Visitors Present: Karen **GARCIA**/CVN, Margaret **FRIEDENAUER**/KHNS, Terry **PARDEE**, Jack **WENNER**, Jim **MORAN**, Diane **LACOURSE**, Jeremy **STEPHENS**, James **STUDLEY**, Vince **HANSEN**, Bill **KURZ**, Dana **HALLETT**, Mike **DENKER**, Joseph **ORLANDO**, and others.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONSENT AGENDA

The following Items were on the published consent agenda:

Consent Agenda:

- 3 – Approve Assembly Meeting Minutes
- 8B – Museum Report
- 9A – Planning Commission Minutes
- 9B – Museum Board Minutes
- 9C – Parks and Recreation Committee Minutes
- 11A1 – Resolution 14-10-594

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to “approve the agenda/consent agenda,” and the motion carried 4-1 with **SCHNABEL** opposed.

- * **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – 10/14/14 Regular Meeting; 10/14/14 Election Canvass

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

WENNER, STUDLEY, PARDEE, HANSEN, STEPHENS, ROSTAD, MCLAUGHLIN, and **MORAN** spoke in favor of a community purpose exemption for the Veteran’s Center second floor and asked for reconsideration (agenda item 12A)

STEPHENS made comments regarding the draft Juneau Access Road letter (agenda item 11C1)

DENKER thanked the outgoing assembly members and congratulated those who are newly-elected. He urged the assembly to refer his request (agenda item 12B) to committee.

5. MAYOR’S COMMENTS/REPORT

Mayor **SCOTT** honored outgoing assembly members **SCHNABEL** and **LAPP** for their longtime service to the community.

6. 2014 BOROUGH ELECTION

A. Certification of October 7th Borough Election

Motion: **BERRY** moved to “declare the October 7, 2014 Borough Election valid and certify the election results,” and the motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

B. Administration of Oath to Newly-Elected Mayor & Assembly Members

Clerk **COZZI** administered the oath of office to Mayor-elect **HILL** and Assembly Members-elect **CASE** and **JACKSON**.

HILL thanked **SCOTT** for her leadership and said she appreciates her offer to bring her up to speed. Unless a person has served the community, they don’t “get it.” She is excited to be serving with this distinguished group of people of whom four are veterans (including the manager), one has close family members in the service, and two are widows of veterans.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Ordinance 14-10-392** – First hearing

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough amending Haines Borough Code Title 3 Section 3.60.190 to modify the manager authorization limit for change orders.

Mayor **HILL** opened and closed the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.; there were no public comments.

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to "advance Ordinance 14-10-392 to a second public hearing on 11/12/14," and the motion carried unanimously.

8. STAFF/FACILITY REPORTS

A. Borough Manager – 10/28/14 Report

SOSA summarized his written report. There was no objection to the ambulance Memorandum of Agreement being renewed with SEARHC.

***B. Sheldon Museum Director – Report of September 2014**

9. COMMITTEE/COMMISSION/BOARD REPORTS & MINUTES

***A. Planning Commission – Minutes of 9/11/14**

***B. Museum Board of Trustees – Minutes of 8/18/14**

***C. Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee – Minutes of 8/21/14 and 9/18/14**

D. Assembly Standing Committee Reports

WATERMAN reported the Personnel Committee recently met to discuss the Chief Fiscal Officer and Borough Clerk employment contracts. She was unable to attend and **LAPHAM** chaired it in her absence. Another meeting is planned.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolutions

***1. Resolution 14-10-594**

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the Borough Manager to dispose of four surplus vehicles and a visitor information kiosk by public sealed bid auction to the highest bidder as specified in Haines Borough Code 14.24.010 (Disposal of personal property).

The motion adopted by approval of the consent agenda: "adopt Resolution 14-10-594."

B. Ordinances for Introduction - None

C. Other New Business

1. Borough Comment – Juneau Access Road

Note: On 9/18/14, the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities announced the release of the Juneau Access Improvements Project Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) for review and comment. The public comment period was scheduled to end November 10, 2014. Outgoing Mayor Scott drafted a Haines Borough comment for assembly approval.

Motion: **CASE** moved to "authorize borough staff to send the SEIS comment, as drafted, to the Alaska Department of Transportation," and the motion carried unanimously.

2. Executive Session – APC Rate Case Update

Motion: **BERRY** moved to "go into executive session as allowed by AS 44.62.310(c)(2) and Haines Borough Charter Section 18.03 to get an update from the borough attorney on the APC Rate Case; this matter qualifies for executive session as attorney-client privilege; the borough manager and borough attorney Patrick Munson are requested to attend." The motion was subsequently amended to invite Stephanie Scott and Debra Schnabel to attend and to hold the executive session following agenda item 12(B). The motion as amended carried unanimously.

Present: Mayor Hill; Assembly Members Jackson, Waterman, Lapham, Case, Berry, and Lapham; borough attorney Patrick Munson (via telephone); Borough Manager Dave Sosa; and Stephanie Scott and Debra Schnabel. The executive session convened at 7:40pm and ended at 8:38pm.

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved "that the borough wait to see what other communities are doing before taking any action," and the motion carried unanimously.

12. CORRESPONDENCE/REQUESTS

A. Reconsideration of 10/14/14 Motion to Postpone Introduction of Ordinance 14-10-391 (Veteran's Center Tax Exemption) - Request by V.Hansen, HAL Community Manager

No motion to reconsider was made; no action was taken.

B. "Equal Protection and Property Qualifications for Appointment to the Haines Borough Port and Harbor Advisory Committee" - Request by M.Denker

Motion: WATERMAN moved to "refer Mr. Denker's request to the Government Affairs & Services Committee for review," and the motion carried unanimously.

13. SET MEETING DATES

A. Government Affairs & Services Committee - Friday, 11/7, 5:30pm, Topic: Mike Denker request regarding appointments to the Port and Harbor Advisory Committee.

B. Personnel Committee (executive session) - Monday, 11/10, 5:00pm, Topic: CFO and Clerk contracts.

14. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ASSEMBLY COMMENTS


CASE thanked **LAPHAM** and **WATERMAN** for the courage of their convictions concerning the pressure to make a motion to reconsider Veteran's Center tax exemption ordinance.

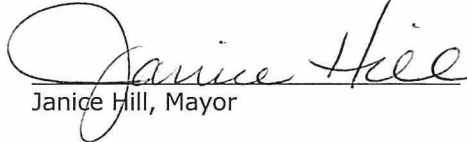
WATERMAN thanked the new assembly members for being willing to serve and said she enjoyed working with the outgoing members.

16. ADJOURNMENT - 8:42 p.m.

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

ATTEST:


Julie Cozzi, MMC, Borough Clerk


Janice Hill, Mayor

