


Haines Borough
Borough Assembly Meeting #285
February 10, 2015
MINUTES

Approved

1. **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:** Mayor **HILL** 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 Jan **HILL**, and Assembly Members Diana **LAPHAM**, Joanne **WATERMAN**, Ron **JACKSON**, Mike **CASE**, Dave **BERRY**, and George **CAMPBELL**.

Staff Present: David **SOSA**/Borough Manager, Julie **COZZI**/Borough Clerk, Bill **MUSSER**/Chief of Police, Carlos **JIMENEZ**/Director of Public Facilities, Jila **STUART**/Finance Director, Bill **MANDEVILLE**/Community & Economic Development Director, Phil **BENNER**/Harbormaster, and Helen **ALTEN**/Museum Director.

Visitors Present: Karen **GARCIA**/CVN, Margaret **FREIDENAU**/KHNS, Jack **WENNER**, Mike **DENKER**, Jim **STUDLEY**, Stephanie **SCOTT**, Kathryn **CHENEY**, Alyssa **HENRY**, Chuck **MITTMAN**, Kyle **GRAY**/President of Chamber of Commerce, Debra **SCHNABEL**/Executive Director of Chamber of Commerce, Renee **HOFFMAN**, Jolanta **RYAN**, and others.

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONSENT AGENDA**

The following Items were on the published consent agenda:

Consent Agenda:

- 4 – Approve Assembly Meeting Minutes
- 8B – Chilkat Center Report
- 8C – Finance Director Report
- 8D – Police Dept Report
- 8E – Public Library Report
- 9A – Library Board Minutes
- 9B – Parks & Rec Committee Minutes
- 9C – Port and Harbor Advisory Committee Minutes
- 9D – Public Safety Commission Minutes
- 11A1 – Resolution 15-02-611
- 11B1 – Ordinance 15-02-400
- 12A – Borough Manager Letter re. “Baby Brown” Timber Sale

Motion: **WATERMAN** moved to “approve the agenda/consent agenda,” and it was amended to remove 8D, 9B, 11A1, and 11B1 from the consent agenda. Citizen **DENKER** requested removal of item 12A from the Consent Agenda. The motion to approve the agenda, as amended, carried unanimously.

*4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – 1/27/15 Regular Meeting

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

SCOTT – Baby Brown timber sale letter, concerned about process

GRAY – Marijuana Legalization effects on policy and the local economy

DENKER – Baby Brown timber sale letter, why on consent agenda?

6. **MAYOR’S COMMENTS/REPORT**

Productive Juneau meetings attended recently with the manager. Next week, AML mid-session meetings in Juneau---one topic is the marijuana law. Haines School is a blue-ribbon school (a national honor; three years of outstanding academic excellence for 3rd through 8th graders). She was privileged to be a part of the recognition ceremony and applauds the efforts and good work. Tomorrow, annual joint meeting with the school board.

7. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

A. **Ordinance 15-01-396** – First Hearing

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough authorizing a one-year extension of a lease of the Human Resources Building by Chilkat Valley Preschool for the purpose of providing preschool educational services.

Mayor **HILL** opened the public hearing at 6:46 p.m.

STUDLEY, CHENEY, HENRY, SCOTT, and MITTMAN spoke in support. **SCOTT** is concerned about the rent clause.

Hearing no further comments, the mayor closed the public hearing at 6:52 p.m.

Motion: **CAMPBELL** moved to “advance Ordinance 15-01-396 to a second public hearing on 2/24/15,” and the motion carried unanimously.

B. Ordinance 15-01-397 – First Hearing

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough determining whether a foreclosed property deeded to the borough shall be retained for a public purpose or sold.

Mayor **HILL** opened and closed the public hearing at 6:55 p.m.; there were no public comments.

Motion: **BERRY** moved to “advance Ordinance 15-01-397 to a second public hearing on 2/24/15,” and the motion carried unanimously.

C. Ordinance 15-01-398 – First Hearing

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough amending Haines Borough Code Title 18 Subsection 18.60.020(H) to clarify the criteria for temporary residence permits.

Mayor **HILL** opened and closed the public hearing at 6:57 p.m.; there were no public comments.

Motion: **BERRY** moved to “advance Ordinance 15-01-398 to a second public hearing on 2/24/15,” and the motion carried unanimously.

D. Ordinance 15-01-399 – First Hearing

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough adopting a new water-sewer rate schedule to set rates, fees and charges for water and sewer services.

Mayor **HILL** opened and closed the public hearing at 7:06 p.m.; there were no public comments.

Motion: **BERRY** moved to “advance Ordinance 15-01-399 to a second public hearing on 2/24/15,” and it was amended to substitute the ordinance in its entirety with a substitute recommended by the mayor. The motion carried unanimously.

8. STAFF/FACILITY REPORTS

A. Borough Manager – 2/10/15 Report

SOSA summarized his written report. He specifically acknowledged the public works staff for the good job removing snow and the assistant pool manager for covering the pool activities and the recent swim meet.

* **B. Chilkat Center – Facility Report of January 2015**

* **C. Finance Director – FY15 2nd Quarter General Fund Financial Report**

D. Police Department – 2/3/15 Report

* **E. Library Director – Staff Report of 12/17/2014**

9. COMMITTEE/COMMISSION/BOARD REPORTS & MINUTES

* **A. Library Board – Minutes of 12/17/2014**

B. Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee – Minutes of 10/23/14 and 11/20/14

* **C. Port and Harbor Advisory Committee – Minutes of 1/5/15 and 1/26/15**

* **D. Public Safety Commission – Minutes of 12/8/14**

E. Assembly Standing Committee Reports

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolutions

1. Resolution 15-02-611

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly supporting the reinstatement of a full \$60 million into the Revenue Sharing fund on a yearly basis with a one-year appropriation of \$8 million to the fund with an effective date prior to June 30, 2015.

There were no public comments.

Motion: WATERMAN moved to “adopt Resolution 15-02-611,” and it carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

2. **Resolution 15-02-612**

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the Borough Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for the Haines – Klehini Bridge Replacement and Transfer project.

There were no public comments.

Motion: WATERMAN moved to “adopt Resolution 15-02-612,” and it carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

SOSA introduced Matt Van Alstine and Elmer Marx from ADOT who attended by telephone. They answered questions raised by the assembly.

B. Ordinances for Introduction

1. **Ordinance 15-02-400**

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough authorizing a five-year extension of a lease of an upstairs portion of the Public Safety Building by the State of Alaska for the purpose of providing services through the Department of Fish and Game, with the option to renew for five additional one-year periods.

Motion: WATERMAN moved to “introduce Ordinance 15-02-400 and schedule a first public hearing for 2/24/15,” and the motion carried unanimously.

C. Other New Business - None

12. CORRESPONDENCE/REQUESTS

A. Borough Manager Letter – Comments on “Baby Brown” Timber Sale

13. SET MEETING DATES

A. Committee of the Whole: Wednesday, 2/25, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Chambers. Topic(s): 1) strategic planning, 2) FY16 budget guidance, 3) trip to Washington D.C, and 4) procedure for manager performance evaluation.

14. PUBLIC COMMENTS

SCHNABEL – Communication between Planning Commission and Borough Assembly

DENKER – Appreciation for the clerk’s attention to detail.

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

CASE – appreciated helpful brochure distributed by the museum, commended Patty Brown for being elected president of the library association and recognized Holly Davis for her award for the library’s children’s programs.

JACKSON – the local art community...he would like discussions about how the borough could support them.

CAMPBELL - unintended consequences of certain actions, particularly pesticide-use restrictions and the increase in aphids and viruses that affect crops such as potatoes.

WATERMAN requested to be removed from the Commerce Committee. There was no objection.

16. ADJOURNMENT – 8:38 p.m.

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