

Haines Borough
Borough Assembly Meeting #407
August 25, 2020

MINUTES

Adopted

1. **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE TO THE FLAG/ROLL CALL:** Mayor **HILL** called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. in the Assembly Chambers and led the pledge to the flag.

Present: Mayor **HILL**, Assembly Members Stephanie **SCOTT**, Brenda **JOSEPHSON**, Zephyr **SINCERNY**, Jerry **LAPP**, Paul **ROGERS** and Gabe **THOMAS**.

Staff Present: Alekka **FULLERTON**/Interim Manager/Borough Clerk, Ed **COFFLAND**/Director of Public Facilities, Steven **AUCH**/Tourism Director, Jila **STUART**/CFO.

Visitors Present: Ceri **GODNEZ**/CVN, Henry **LEISCA**/KHNS, Carol **TUYNMAN**, Paul **NELSON**, Debra **SCHNABEL**, Tracey **HARMON** and others.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONSENT AGENDA**

The following Items were on the published consent agenda indicated by an asterisk (*)

3 – Approve Minutes from Regular Assembly Meeting

11B1 - Introduction of Ordinance 20-08-576- Food Trucks

Motion: **ROGERS** moved to "approve the agenda/consent agenda," and the motion carried unanimously.

- *3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – 08/11/20 Regular.

Note: The motion adopted by approval of the consent agenda: "approve minutes of the 08/11/20 regular borough assembly meeting."

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** **HARMON, SCHNABEL, TUYNMAN**

5. **ASSEMBLY COMMENTS:** **SCOTT, JOSEPHSON**

6. **MAYOR'S REPORT AND COMMENTS:**

Mayor **HILL** reinforced the updates to the CARES Act (previously reported by Tracey Harmon on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce during Public Comments), reminded people to register for the Census, reported on the start of school, remarked on the reactivation of the Solid Waste Working Group, and reported on the AML Summer Legislative Conference.

7. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- A. **Ordinance 20-06-574**- Fourth Public Hearing

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough placing a proposition on the October 6, 2020 Haines Borough General Election ballot to amend Borough Charter Section 6 to provide for Police Emergency Response Outside the Townsite.

Mayor **HILL** opened the public hearing at 7:00 pm and the following people spoke: **NELSON, SCHNABEL**

Hearing no further comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:05 pm.

Motion: **JOSEPHSON** moved to "Withdraw Ordinance 20-06-574 from further consideration," and the motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

- B. **Ordinance 20-07-575** – Second Public Hearing

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough authorizing the Borough Manager to amend Loan Number 395251 with the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation to increase the loan for an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 to fund the Phase 3 Asbestos-Cement (AC) Pipe Replacement 3rd Avenue project.

Mayor **HILL** opened and closed the public hearing at 7:06 pm since no member of the public signed up to speak.

Motion: **JOSEPHSON** moved to "Adopt Ordinance 20-07-575," and the motion carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

8. STAFF/FACILITY REPORTS

- A. Interim Borough Manager** – 08/25/20 Report
FULLERTON summarized her written report and answered questions from the assembly.
- B. Heliski Season-End Report**

9. COMMITTEE/COMMISSION/BOARD REPORTS & APPROVED MINUTES

- A. Planning Commission** – Minutes of 07-09-20
- B. Assembly Committees and Liaison Reports**

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolutions - None

B. Ordinances for Introduction

- *1. **Ordinance 20-08-576**
An Ordinance of the Haines Borough amending Haines Borough Code Title 18 to Define Food Trucks and Allow their use under "Commercial, light".

Note: The motion was adopted by approval of the consent agenda: "Introduce Ordinance 20-08-576 and schedule it for two public hearings 9-8-20 and 9-22-20."

C. Other New Business

1. CARES Act Discussion and Recommendations from the Ad Hoc Committee

a. Withdrawal of Bookstore Appeal

The Bookstore has withdrawn its appeal from the denial of the Small Business Grant Program but still requests financial support from CARES Act funds.

b. CARES Act Ad Hoc Committee Recommendations

The Assembly CARES Act Ad Hoc/Commerce Committee met on August 18 and advances its recommendations as attached.

Motion: JOSEPHSON moved to "Authorize Staff to prepare applications for the following programs as described in the CARES Act Ad Hoc Committee summary of August 18, 2020:

- Extend Economic Assistance to Businesses and Non-profits
- Establish New Business Economic Assistance Grant Program
- Establish Economic Assistance to Commercial Fishing Permit Holders
- Establish Shop Local Economic Stimulus Program,"

Primary Amendment: THOMAS moved to "amend the Fisherman program to apply to each permit holder/permit"

Secondary Amendment: SCOTT moved to "amend the amount dedicated for the Fisherman's program to \$65,500," and the motion carried unanimously. And the primary amendment carried unanimously.

Primary Amendment: JOSEPHSON moved to "Authorize the Borough Manager to modify the existing Small Business Grant Program application to apply to new businesses and fund the program immediately," and the motion carried unanimously.

Primary Amendment: JOSEPHSON moved to "Authorize the Borough Manager to implement the CARES Commercial Fishing grant program immediately," and the motion carried unanimously.

And the main motion, as amended, carried unanimously.

C. Other New Business - Continued

1. CARES Act Discussion and Recommendations from the Ad Hoc Committee

b. CARES Act Ad Hoc Committee Recommendations - Continued

Motion: JOSEPHSON moved to "Direct Staff to bring proposed programs for Economic Assistance to Individuals with household income under \$70,000 and Childcare Assistance to the next CARES Act meeting," and the motion carried unanimously.

c. Rasmuson Municipal Arts & Culture Matching Grant Program

Motion: JOSEPHSON moved to "Authorize the Borough Manager to contact the recipients of CARES Act funds identified in item 11C1c and verify they have more COVID related costs to increase their grants to expend the maximum Rasmuson grant opportunity on a pro-rated basis and to fund the programs in the increased amount immediately," and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion: JOSEPHSON moved to "Direct the Manager to apply for the Municipal Arts & Culture Matching Grant Program," and the motion carried unanimously.

2. EOC Update

3. Planning Commission Request for Action - Chilkoot Street Traffic

Motion: JOSEPHSON moved to "Direct the manager to report to the Planning Commission at their next meeting with respect to her plan for Chilkoot Street traffic," and the motion carried unanimously.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Biomass Cancellation Letter

13. SET MEETING DATES

14. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

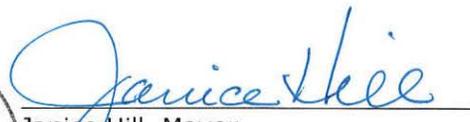
15. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ASSEMBLY COMMENTS/DIRECTION TO THE MANAGER: LAPP, JOSEPHSON, THOMAS

16. ADJOURNMENT - 8:17 pm

ATTEST:


Alekka Fullerton, Borough Clerk




Janice Hill, Mayor