

Haines Borough
Borough Assembly Meeting #483
AGENDA

February 27, 2024 - 6:30pm

Location: In Assembly Chambers and on ZOOM

Thomas Morphet
Mayor

Natalie Dawson
Assembly Member

Gabe Thomas
Assembly Member

Kevin Forster
Assembly Member

Debra Schnabel
Assembly Member

Ben Aultman-Moore
Assembly Member

Craig Loomis
Assembly Member

Annette Kreitzer
Borough Manager

Alekka Fullerton
Borough Clerk

Kiersten Long
Deputy Clerk

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE TO THE FLAG/ROLL CALL**
- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONSENT AGENDA**

[The following Consent Agenda items are indicated by an asterisk () and will be enacted by the motion to approve the agenda. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless an assembly member or other person so requests, in which event the asterisk will be removed and that item will be considered by the assembly on the regular agenda.]*

Consent Agenda:

3 - Approve Minutes from 2/13/24 Regular Assembly Meeting

11C1 – Proposed FY25 Budget Meeting Schedule

11C2 – Board and Commission Appointments

- *3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** -Approve the 2/13/24 Regular Assembly Meetings minutes
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS** – [For any topics not scheduled for public hearing. Individual comments are limited to 3 minutes unless another yields 3 minutes to the speaker in advance] *Note: during this section of the agenda, the assembly will listen and take notes. No official action will be taken at this time.*
- 5. ASSEMBLY COMMENTS**
- 6. MAYOR’S REPORT AND COMMENTS**
- 7. PUBLIC HEARINGS**
 - A. Ordinance 24-02-664**
An Ordinance of the Haines Borough Assembly Amending Haines Borough Code Title 10.09.090 Prohibiting the Use of Engine (Jake) Brakes in the Townsite.
*A Substitute Ordinance is offered by its sponsor, Assembly Member Craig Loomis. **Proposed Motion:** Substitute Ordinance 24-02-664A Regulating the Use of Engine (Jake) Brakes in the Townsite Regulating the Use of Engine (Jake) Brakes in the Townsite and Declaring the Use of Engine Brake Without Noise Suppression a Nuisance in the Townsite in place of introduced Ordinance 24-02-664 Prohibiting the Use of Engine (Jake) Brakes in the Townsite.*
 - B. Ordinance 24-02-665**
An Ordinance of the Haines Borough, Providing for the Addition or Amendment of Specific Line Items to the FY24 Budget.
- 8. STAFF/FACILITY REPORTS**
 - A. Borough Manager Report** – *To be provided.*
- 9. COMMITTEE/COMMISSION/BOARD REPORTS & APPROVED MINUTES –**
 - A. Assembly Standing Committee Referred Topics**
 - B. Property Tax Assessment Ad Hoc Board** – *January 17, 2024 Minutes*
- 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolutions (Individual comments are limited to 3 minutes unless another yields 3 minutes to the speaker in advance)

1. **Resolution 24-02-1096**
A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly Supporting the Closure of the Letnikof Cove Harbor Pipe Moorage Floats
Proposed Motion: Adopt Resolution 24-02-1096
2. **Resolution 24-02-1097**
A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly supporting a Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) Discretionary Grant application for Fiscal Year 2024 for Letnikof Cove Harbor Improvements
Proposed Motion: Adopt Resolution 24-02-1097
3. **Resolution 24-02-1098**
A Resolution of the Haines Borough Authorizing the Borough Attorney to File Suit to Collect Past Due Sales Tax from Salmon Run Fishing Lodge, LLC in Excursion Inlet
Proposed Motion: Adopt Resolution 24-02-1098
4. **Resolution 24-02-1099**
A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly Authorizing an Appeal of the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Deobligation of Funding in the Amount of \$1,435,834.75 Related to the Permanent Repair of Porcupine Trail Road and Authorizing the Borough Manager to Contract with Birch Horton Bittner & Cherot for Consultation Services Associated with Review of Appeal Documents

Possible Executive Session: If the Assembly would like to speak with Holly Wells, they may move into executive session to discuss the proposed appeal with her.

Motion: Move into executive session as allowed by AS 44.62.310(c)(1) to discuss with the borough manager and Holly Wells regarding the FEMA appeal from the deobligation of funds for Porcuine Trail Road; this qualifies for executive session since the subject matter, the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the government unit; the manager and the borough clerk are asked to attend.
Proposed Motion: Adopt Resolution 24-02-1099
5. **Resolution 24-02-1100**
A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly Supporting the Current Membership Configuration of the Alaska Marine Highway Operations Board
Proposed Motion: Adopt Resolution 24-02-1100
6. **Resolution 24-02-1101**
A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly Supporting the Passage of Senate Bill House Bill 171: An Act Changing the Residency Requirements for Sport Fishing, Hunting, and Trapping Privileges.
Proposed Motion: Adopt Resolution 24-02-1101

11. NEW BUSINESS - *Continued*

B. Ordinances for Introduction

1. **Ordinance 24-02-666**

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough Assembly Repealing and Replacing Haines Borough Code Section 3.72.110 Board of Equalization; Adding Section 3.72.115 Hearing Panels of the Board of Equalization; and Amending 3.72.100 Appeals.

This ordinance is recommended by the Property Tax Assessment Ad Hoc Advisory Board and is being introduced by the Mayor.

Motion: Introduce Ordinance 24-02-666 and set a first public hearing for 3/12/24 and a second public hearing for 3/26/24.

2. **Ordinance 24-02-667**

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough Assembly Amending Haines Borough Code Section 3.72.020 Full and True Value.

This ordinance is a modified recommendation of the Property Tax Assessment Ad Hoc Advisory Board incorporating Jesse Kiehl's pending bill as discussed at the Assembly's February 20 Committee of the Whole meeting and is being introduced by the Mayor. **Motion:** Introduce Ordinance 24-02-667 and set a first public hearing for 3/12/24 and a second public hearing for 3/26/24.

3. **Ordinance 24-02-668**

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough Assembly Amending Haines Borough Code Section 3.72.105 Exchange of Information

This ordinance is a modified recommendation of the Property Tax Assessment Ad Hoc Advisory Board incorporating section (D) as discussed at the Assembly's February 20 Committee of the Whole meeting and is being introduced by the Mayor. **Motion:** Introduce Ordinance 24-02-668 and set a first public hearing for 3/12/24 and a second public hearing for 3/26/24.

C. Other New Business

*1. **Proposed FY25 Budget Meeting Schedule**

The Haines Borough staff recommends the attached FY25 Budget Meeting Schedule. **Proposed Motion:** Adopt the FY25 Budget Meeting Schedule.

*2. **Boards and Commissions:** Confirmation of Mayor's appointment of Sage Thomas to the Fire Service Area Board #3 with a seat termination date of 11/25 and Deborah Gravel and Rene Morrissey to the Library Advisory Board with a seat termination dates of 11/25.

3. **Lutak Dock Replacement Update** – Maintenance Cost Comparison and Jason Davis Letter

4. **Comprehensive Plan Revision Update** – *verbal*

12. CORRESPONDENCE

13. SET MEETING DATES

14. PUBLIC COMMENT

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ASSEMBLY COMMENTS/DIRECTION TO OFFICERS

16. ADJOURNMENT