

Haines Borough  
Borough Assembly SPECIAL Meeting  
December 22, 2023

MINUTES

Approved

1. **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE TO THE FLAG/ROLL CALL:** Mayor **MORPHET** called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm in the Assembly Chambers and led the pledge to the flag.

2. **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Mayor Tom **MORPHET**, Assembly Members Ben **AULTMAN-MOORE**, Kevin **FORSTER**, Natalie **DAWSON**, Craig **LOOMIS**, Debra **SCHNABEL**, and Gabe **THOMAS**.

**Staff Present:** Annette **KREITZER**/Borough Manager, Kiersten **LONG**/Deputy Clerk, ED **COFFLAND**/Public Facilities Director, Shawn **BELL**/Harbormaster.

**Visitors Present:** Don **TURNER**, Bill **THOMAS**, Glenda **GILBERT**, Chris **THORGESEN**, Ashley **SAGE**, Michael **GANEY**, Cheryl **STICKLER**, Jake **ECKHARDT**, Fred **GRAY**, Tim **WARD**, Amy **THORGESEN**, Kathy **PARDEE-JONES**, Diana **LAPHAM**, Jennifer **CANFIELD**, Donald **PORTER**, Jason **DAVIS**, Robynne **THAXTON**, Cynthia **JONES**, James **SZYMANSKI**, Richard **CLEMENT**, Lee **ROBINSON**, John **FLORESKE**, Nicolas **SZATKOWSKI**, Gina **St. CLAIRE**, Bill **BROSTE**, Jessica **PLACHTA**, Stacie **EVANS**, Michael **BALISE**, Russ **WHITE**, Marvin **WILLARD**, Russ **LYNMAN**, Kimberly **STRONG**, Jerry **LAPP**, DAN **FITZPATRICK**, Laurie **DADOURIAN** and 87 others on zoom.

3. **APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**

**Motion:** **SCHNABEL** "remove item 4 public comment from the agenda" and the motion carried 5-1 with **THOMAS** opposed

**Primary Amendment:** **THOMAS** moved to "end the meeting at 5:30 and no action may be taken at this meeting" and the amendment FAILED 3-4 with **THOMAS**, **SCHNABEL**, **AULTMAN-MOORE** in favor; **LOOMIS**, **DAWSON**, **FORESTER** in opposition and with Mayor **MORPHET** breaking the tie in the negative.

**Motion:** **SCHNABEL** moved to "approve the Special Meeting agenda as amended" and the motion carried 5-1 with **THOMAS** opposed.

*\*Clerk's Note: item 4 public comments was removed from the agenda*

4. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. **Lutak Dock**


5. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**TURNER** – Supports existing project  
**GRAY** – Supports existing project  
**LAPHAM** – Supports existing project  
**STICKLER** – Supports existing project  
**BROSTE** – Supports existing project  
**B. THOMAS** – Supports existing project  
**CARLSON** – Supports existing project  
**JONES** – Supports existing project  
**CLEMENT** – Supports existing project  
**O'RILEY** – Thanks for showing up  
**ROSADO** – Supports existing project  
**PLACHTA** – Opposes existing project  
**EVANS** – Opposes existing project

- LAPP** – Supports existing project/supporting Porcupine Road
- WHITE**– Asked a clarifying question
- SZATKOWSKI** – Opposes existing project/opposed to Porcupine Road
- BALISE** – Move forward with the dock project with options for voters
- WILLARD** – Asked the mayor some clarifying question
- MENKE** – Opposes existing project
- ROBINSON** – Supports existing project
- STRONG** – Thank you to the previous Assembly and the new Assembly
- LYNMAN** – Opposes existing project
- COFFLAND** – Dock will function with no maintenance 50 yrs/minimal maint 100 yrs+
- FITZPATRICK** – Opposition to dock is opposition to mine
- DADOURIAN** – Opposes existing project/wants resource extraction tax
- ST. CLAIRE** – Needs to be another meeting

**7. ASSEMBLY COMMENTS: LOOMIS, AULTMAN-MOORE**

**8. ADJOURNMENT at 6:23 pm**

  
Thomas C. Morphet, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Alekka Fullerton, MMC, Borough Clerk