Haines Borough Borough Assembly SPECIAL Meeting November 1, 2016 MINUTES

Approved

THIS <u>SPECIAL MEETING</u> WAS HELD SOLELY FOR CONSIDERING THE ITEMS LISTED ON THE PUBLISHED AGENDA. NO ADDITIONAL ISSUES WERE CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING.

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE TO THE FLAG</u>: Mayor HILL called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Assembly Chambers and led the pledge to the flag.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Jan **HILL**, and Assembly Members Heather **LENDE**, Margaret **FRIEDENAUER**, Ron **JACKSON**, Tresham **GREGG**, Mike **CASE**, and Tom **MORPHET**.

Staff Present: Bill **SEWARD**/Borough Manager, Brad **RYAN**/Director of Public Facilities, Julie **COZZI**/Borough Clerk, Jila **STUART**/Finance Director, Leslie **ROSS**/Tourism Director, Tina **OLSEN**/Accounting Clerk, Shawn **BELL**/Harbormaster, and Gabe **THOMAS**/Assistant Harbormaster.

Visitors Present: John STANG/CVN, Emily FILES/KHNS, Dick SOMERVILLE/PND Engineers, Bill THOMAS/Borough Lobbyist, Don TURNER Jr., Diana LAPHAM, Cary SEWARD, Don TURNER III, Norm SMITH, Rob GOLDBERG, Haynes TORMEY, Mike DENKER, Scott SUNDBERG, John HAGEN, Lori SMITH, Brent CROWE, Jerry ERNY, Bill MCCORD, Andrew GRAY, Mike GANEY, Dean RISLEY, Diane LaCOURSE, Jenny Lynn SMITH, Mike FALVEY, Norman HUGHES, Mary ASPER, Sean GAFFNEY, Anne BOYCE, Richard CHAPELL, Ray STASKA, Terry PARDEE, Dave LONG, Will PRISCIANDARO, Jack SMITH, Dennis GUDMUNDSON, Stuart DEWITT, Paul NELSON, Joe PARNELL, Kathleen MENKE, Bill KURZ, Ryan COOK, Jimmy THOMSEN, Bill ROSTAD, Bill BROSTE, Douglas OLERUD, Fred GRAY, and others.

3. APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Motion: LENDE moved to "approve the special meeting agenda," and the motion carried unanimously.

The mayor asked **SOMERVILLE** of PND Engineers to give a brief presentation explaining the harbor project and costs. This was followed by a short question and answer period.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NELSON, PARNELL, MENKE, N.SMITH, LACOURSE, KURZ, and BOYCE spoke in favor of Resolution 16-11-690.

TURNER Jr., ERNY, LAPHAM, GOLDBERG, PARDEE, B.THOMAS, ROSTAD, LONG, TURNER III, THOMSEN, ROSS, HAGEN, SUNDBERG, COOK, CROWE, OLSEN, OLERUD, HUGHES, GAFFNEY, DEWITT, J.SMITH, and RYAN spoke in opposition.

5. BUSINESS

A. Resolution 16-11-690

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly calling for a special election as allowed by HBC 11.12.020(A) for the purpose of submitting to Haines Borough voters an advisory question pertaining to the Portage Cove Harbor Design

Note: This resolution was drafted by Assembly Member Morphet and submitted to the borough assembly on October 25, 2016. The borough clerk put the document into the borough's normal format and combined the proposed advisory question and the resolution into the same document. Otherwise, the text was essentially unchanged.

<u>Motion</u>: **MORPHET** moved to "adopt Resolution 16-11-690," and the motion <u>FAILED</u> 3-4 in a roll call vote with **CASE**, **FRIEDENAUER**, and **JACKSON** opposed and Mayor **HILL** breaking the tie in the negative.

<u>Motion</u>: **FRIEDENAUER** moved to "direct staff to develop a comprehensive public process and input plan in determining how to use excess grant funding for the Portage Cove Small Boat Harbor expansion and in planning and designing the elements of future phases of the project with a draft of the plan to come to the assembly no later than the first meeting in January," and the motion carried unanimously.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

F.GRAY – Said the Port and Harbor Advisory Committee had many public meetings, and there has been a public process.

GOLDBERG – Explained an alternative idea involving a shorter rubble mound was discussed but it would make the basin too small. The harbor would not be big enough. He noted that it you want to make people angry propose to change something.

TURNER Jr. - Expressed thanks for not adopting the resolution.

A.GRAY - It is important to trust professionals, like the engineers.

BROSTE – Explained his reasons for wanting to give his allotted 3-minute comment time to **B.THOMAS**. [Note: during Item 4 Public Comments, Mr. Thomas ran out of time before completing his statement, and several individuals had offered up their own time.]

7. ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

SEWARD – Explained he is the one who invited **SOMERVILLE** to attend this meeting, and he thanked him for his input.

CASE - Thanked the public for coming to the meeting to express comments both for and against.

MORPHET – Said he doesn't believe the proper process was followed for the harbor project, especially appropriate involvement by the planning commission. He plans to introduce an ordinance that says once the borough plans to spend more than \$5m on a project, it will require a vote of the people.

LENDE – Thanked everyone for coming. She encouraged them to stay engaged for the rest of the project, and encouraged the assembly to keep everything as public and transparent, as possible.

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8. ADJOURNMENT- 5:20p.m.

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

ATTEST:

Julie Cozzi, MMC, Borough Clerk

Janice/Hill, Mayor