

Email thread: Status of John Brower Application to PRAC

On Thursday, November 3, 2016 11:19 AM, Ron Jackson <rjackson@haines.ak.us> wrote:
FYI...

Ron Jackson
Haines Borough Assembly
907-314-2046

Begin forwarded message:

From: Julie Cozzi <jcozzi@haines.ak.us>
Date: November 3, 2016 at 11:14:33 AM AKDT
To: Ron Jackson <rjackson@haines.ak.us>
Cc: Alekka Fullerton <afullerton@haines.ak.us>, Jan Hill <jhill@haines.ak.us>
Subject: RE: Status of John Brower App to PRAC

Hi, Ron...

It's interesting! This is a question that came up earlier in the week. I can understand the confusion. The reason the code says "recommendation(s)" is for those times when boards have more than one seat to consider. The PRAC only had one vacancy at that time, so the motion needed to contain only one name. However, there is no reason why the PRAC couldn't send a follow-up note to the mayor recommending John Brower's appointment when another vacancy opens up. I can assure you his application is definitely on file.

I don't think there was anything wrong with the way PRAC handled this unless Mr. Brower's application was not provided to the committee members for that meeting. It is my understanding the applications for both Ms. Smith and Mr. Brower were provided to the committee. The clerk's office certainly gave both to the PRAC chair, and then when the appointment came to the assembly, both applications were in the packet. The PRAC correctly provided a recommendation to the mayor.

Hope this helps...

Julie

From: Ron Jackson
Sent: Thursday, November 03, 2016 9:59 AM
To: Julie Cozzi <jcozzi@haines.ak.us>
Cc: Alekka Fullerton <afullerton@haines.ak.us>
Subject: Fwd: Status of John Brower App to PRAC

Hi Julie. Could you weigh in on this discussion? Should the mayor have received both applications and PARC's recommendations on both? Or is forwarding only one ok? the wording is plural so could be interpreted differently.

Thanks,

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Begin forwarded message:

From: burl sheldon <burls58@yahoo.com>
Date: November 3, 2016 at 6:37:55 AM AKDT
To: Richard Chapell <richard_chapell@yahoo.com>, "lorismithrdh@aol.com" <lorismithrdh@aol.com>, Thom Ely <akthome@yahoo.com>, George Figdor <figdor@aptalaska.net>, Patricia Peters <pattypeters@yahoo.com>, "Meredith Pochardt" <mpochardt@gmail.com>, Alekka Fullerton <afullerton@haines.ak.us>, Ron Jackson <rjackson@haines.ak.us>
Subject: Status of John Brower App to PRAC
Reply-To: burl sheldon <burls58@yahoo.com>

From: Burl Sheldon
To: Haines Borough Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
RE: Status of John Brower Application to PRAC

10/28/2016

Rich,

The assembly's appointment of Lori Smith to the PRAC was made official recently and the committee is now full with seven members. PRAC Member George Figdor privately expressed to me his concern that the committee's handling of John Brower's application is inappropriate and a code violation. Haines Borough Code says the following about the required action by committees on new applicants:

2.60.055 Filling vacancies.

A. If the board is able to seat a quorum, opportunity for public comment regarding the applications for new board member(s) shall be provided. The board shall review all applications and prepare written recommendations for appointment(s) to the mayor. The written recommendation(s) shall include the reasoning behind the final decision(s). The mayor shall, after reviewing the application(s), and considering the board's recommendation(s), appoint all committee, board and commission member(s) subject to confirmation of the assembly.

John Brower's application has not been fully considered, it seems. No decision or written comments relevant to John's qualifications have been forwarded to the Mayor. So, I think George is correct.

I suggest that the PRAC promptly consider John's application and forward it to the Mayor and include a note about this matter. In the event of a vacancy, John will be in the pool. I view John as highly desirable as a PRAC member and I would fully support his participation.

Thanks,

Burl Sheldon

CC-PRAC members; Ron Jackson, Ex-Officio Member; Alekka Fullerton, Deputy Borough Clerk