



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg, AK 99833

Meeting Minutes Borough Assembly Regular Meeting

Tuesday, January 02, 2024

12:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

1. Call To Order/Roll Call

Mayor Jensen called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Mark Jensen
Vice Mayor Donna Marsh
Assembly Member Thomas Fine-Walsh
Assembly Member Bob Lynn
Assembly Member Scott Newman
Assembly Member Rob Schwartz
Assembly Member Jeigh Stanton Gregor

2. Voluntary Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge was recited.

3. 2023 State of Alaska's Ken Akerley Fire Service Leadership Award

State Fire Marshal Lloyd Nakano will present the 2023 Ken Akerley Fire Service Leadership Award to one of Petersburg's dedicated Volunteer Fire Fighters.

The State Fire Marshal was unable to fly to Petersburg so the award was not presented at this meeting.

4. Approval of Minutes

A. December 18, 2023 Assembly Meeting Minutes

The December 18, 2023 Assembly meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Motion made by Assembly Member Fine-Walsh, Seconded by Vice Mayor Marsh.
Voting Yea: Mayor Jensen, Vice Mayor Marsh, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh,
Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Newman, Assembly Member Schwartz,
Assembly Member Stanton Gregor

5. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

The agenda was approved as submitted.

Motion made by Assembly Member Lynn, Seconded by Assembly Member Fine-Walsh.
Voting Yea: Mayor Jensen, Vice Mayor Marsh, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh, Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Newman, Assembly Member Schwartz, Assembly Member Stanton Gregor

6. Public Hearings

There were no public hearings.

7. Bid Awards

There were no bid awards.

8. Persons to be Heard Related to Agenda

Persons wishing to share their views on any item on today's agenda may do so at this time.

John Murgas, representing himself, requested the Assembly postpone prioritizing the Capital Projects List to allow for more public input.

Erica Kludt-Painter, on behalf of the School District, requested the Assembly continue to list the Roof Replacement Project as a top priority and shared that the project is currently #12 on the State's list.

9. Persons to be Heard Unrelated to Agenda

Persons with views on subjects not on today's agenda may share those views at this time.

No views were shared.

10. Boards, Commission and Committee Reports

There were no reports.

11. Consent Agenda

There were no consent agenda items.

12. Report of Other Officers

A. Petersburg Medical Center

PMC CEO Hofstetter will update the Assembly on Medical Center activities.

PMC CEO Hofstetter updated the Assembly on Medical Center activities.

13. Mayor's Report

There is no written Mayor's Report for this meeting.

Mayor Jensen wished everyone a Happy New Year and reported that he will be traveling to Juneau to attend the Southeast Conference Mid-Session Summit and the Alaska Municipal League Winter Legislative Conference in February.

14. Manager's Report

There is no written Manager's Report for this meeting.

15. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

16. New Business

A. 2024 Capital Projects List

Attached in this meeting packet is a spreadsheet listing the current proposed Capital Projects for Petersburg for 2024. The spreadsheet is comprised from the 2023 Capital Projects List with new projects and updated continuing projects highlighted in yellow. The first page of the spreadsheet is a proposed list of the top projects in priority order, and the rest of the spreadsheet lists all capital project requests by borough department.

The Assembly is asked to review the capital project requests, decide which projects should be on the priority list (edit and/or approve the proposed top projects list) and the order in which they should be prioritized.

The Capital Projects List was unanimously amended to move the School Roof Replacement project to priority #3 and the Airport Bypass Road to priority #7. The list, as amended, was unanimously approved.

Motion made by Assembly Member Stanton Gregor, Seconded by Assembly Member Lynn.

Voting Yea: Mayor Jensen, Vice Mayor Marsh, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh, Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Newman, Assembly Member Schwartz, Assembly Member Stanton Gregor

B. 2024 Federal Priority Projects List

The Assembly is asked to edit and/or approve the attached draft 2024 Federal Priority Projects list.

The 2024 Federal Priority Projects List was unanimously approved as submitted.

Motion made by Assembly Member Stanton Gregor, Seconded by Assembly Member Lynn.

Voting Yea: Mayor Jensen, Vice Mayor Marsh, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh, Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Newman, Assembly Member Schwartz, Assembly Member Stanton Gregor

17. Communications

18. Assembly Discussion Items

A. Assembly Member Comments

Member Fine-Walsh thanked the Assembly for sending him to the Alaska Municipal League Annual Local Government Conference in December and stated that the conference was very interesting. He will provide a report at the next Assembly meeting.

B. Recognitions

There were no recognitions.

19. Executive Session

The Borough Assembly will adjourn to Executive Session, in accordance with Alaska Statute 44.62.310(c)(1), matters the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the borough, to discuss the status of the direct negotiations with the Petersburg Indian Association for the sale of borough land, and the Borough's potential proposals and position in those negotiations.

The Assembly adjourned to Executive Session at 12:22 p.m. to discuss the status of the direct negotiations with the Petersburg Indian Association for the sale of Borough land.

Motion made by Assembly Member Stanton Gregor, Seconded by Assembly Member Lynn.

Voting Yea: Mayor Jensen, Vice Mayor Marsh, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh, Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Newman, Assembly Member Schwartz, Assembly Member Stanton Gregor

The Assembly came out of Executive Session at 1:09 p.m.

20. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:11 p.m.

Motion made by Assembly Member Stanton Gregor, Seconded by Assembly Member Newman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Jensen, Vice Mayor Marsh, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh, Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Newman, Assembly Member Schwartz, Assembly Member Stanton Gregor