



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg, AK 99833

Meeting Minutes Borough Assembly Regular Meeting

Monday, December 19, 2022

6:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

1. Call To Order/Roll Call

Mayor Jensen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Mark Jensen
Vice Mayor Bob Lynn
Assembly Member Thomas Fine-Walsh
Assembly Member David Kensinger
Assembly Member Donna Marsh
Assembly Member Jeff Meucci
Assembly Member Scott Newman

2. Voluntary Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge was recited.

3. Approval of Minutes

A. December 5, 2022 Assembly Meeting Minutes

The December 5, 2022 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Motion made by Assembly Member Meucci, Seconded by Vice Mayor Lynn.

Voting Yea: Mayor Jensen, Vice Mayor Lynn, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh, Assembly Member Kensinger, Assembly Member Marsh, Assembly Member Meucci, Assembly Member Newman

4. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved as submitted.

Motion made by Assembly Member Meucci, Seconded by Vice Mayor Lynn.

Voting Yea: Mayor Jensen, Vice Mayor Lynn, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh, Assembly Member Kensinger, Assembly Member Marsh, Assembly Member Meucci, Assembly Member Newman

5. Public Hearings

There were no public hearings.

6. Bid Awards

There were no bid awards.

7. 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.

Glorianne Wollen spoke in favor of the shared fisheries tax resolution and the Early Childhood Education incentive program asking the Assembly to vote yes on both agenda items.

Katie Holmlund, Chelsea Tremblay and Becky Turland, all members of the ECE Task Force, spoke in support of the ECE incentive program.

8. Persons to be Heard Unrelated to Agenda

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

Joshua Adams spoke of a perloined judgeship that has transferred to Ketchikan and asked the Assembly to adopt a resolution against this action.

Rebecca Himschoot, Representative Elect for House Dirstrict 2, informed of locations and times she is holding "office hours" to discuss issues with Petersburg's locals and provided her contact phone number (907) 738-6744 for future use.

9. Boards, Commission and Committee Reports

No reports were given.

10. Consent Agenda

There were no consent agenda items.

11. Report of Other Officers

A. Summary of SEAPA Board Meeting - December 8, 2022

Utility Director Hagerman and Assembly Member Lynn reported on recent SEAPA activities.

12. Mayor's Report

A. December 19, 2022 Mayor's Report

Mayor Jensen read his report into the record.

13. Manager's Report

There was no written Manager's Report.

14. Unfinished Business

A. Ordinance #2022-16: An Ordinance Repealing Chapters 4.26, 4.29, 4.31, and 4.32 of the Former City of Petersburg Code, and Amending Chapters 4.25 and 4.40 to Account for Borough Formation

By unanimous roll call vote, Ordinance #2022-16 was approved in its second reading. It was brought to Clerk Thompson's attention that there was no public hearing for this ordinance on the agenda - Clerk Thompson will be sure to add a public hearing to the January 3, 2023 agenda.

15. New Business

A. Resolution #2022-23: A Resolution Adopting an Alternative Allocation Method for the FY23 Shared Fisheries Business Tax Program and Certifying that this Allocation Method Fairly Represents the Distribution of Significant Effects of Fisheries Business Activity in FMA 18: Central Southeast Area

The Assembly unanimously approved Resolution #2022-23.

Motion made by Assembly Member Meucci, Seconded by Assembly Member Newman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Jensen, Vice Mayor Lynn, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh, Assembly Member Kensinger, Assembly Member Marsh, Assembly Member Meucci, Assembly Member Newman

B. Education Incentive Program

The ECE Incentive Program was approved by a vote of 6-1.

Motion made by Assembly Member Meucci, Seconded by Assembly Member Fine-Walsh.

Voting Yea: Mayor Jensen, Vice Mayor Lynn, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh, Assembly Member Kensinger, Assembly Member Meucci, Assembly Member Newman

Voting Nay: Assembly Member Marsh

C. 2022 Borough Manager Performance Evaluation Timeline

The Assembly unanimously approved the timeline for Manager Giesbrecht's 2022 performance evaluation.

Motion made by Assembly Member Fine-Walsh, Seconded by Assembly Member Meucci.

Voting Yea: Mayor Jensen, Vice Mayor Lynn, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh, Assembly Member Kensinger, Assembly Member Marsh, Assembly Member Meucci, Assembly Member Newman

D. Selection of Assembly Member to Assist Mayor Jensen in the 2022 Borough Manager Performance Evaluation Conference

Assembly Member Fine-Walsh was chosen to assist Mayor Jensen in the Manager's 2022 performance evaluation conference by a vote of 6-1.

Motion made by Assembly Member Meucci, Seconded by Assembly Member Kensinger.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Lynn, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh, Assembly Member Kensinger, Assembly Member Marsh, Assembly Member Meucci, Assembly Member Newman

Voting Nay: Mayor Jensen

E. Appointed Member At-Large to the Petersburg Economic Development Council

Without objection, Mayor Jensen appointed Sarah Fine-Walsh to the PEDC as the Assembly's appointed member at-large for a term that begins January 1, 2023 and ends December 31, 2025.

16. Communications

17. Assembly Discussion Items

A. Southeast Sea Otter Stakeholder Work Group Quarterly Meeting Summary

Assembly Member Meucci stated his intent of this agenda item was to share the draft minutes from the most recent Southeast Sea Otter Stakeholder Work Group quarterly meeting, held September 8, 2022.

B. Assembly Member Comments

No comments were shared.

C. Recognitions

Fire/EMS/SAR Director Hankins recognized the passing of Micheal Moyer, a long time volunteer with the Department.

Mayor Jensen recognized the PMPL crew for their fast work replacing a power pole during a recent power outage.

18. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Motion made by Assembly Member Meucci, Seconded by Assembly Member Fine-Walsh.

Voting Yea: Mayor Jensen, Vice Mayor Lynn, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh, Assembly Member Kensinger, Assembly Member Marsh, Assembly Member Meucci, Assembly Member Newman