

**Minutes of Special Assembly Meeting
Held on May 28, 2020**

Mayor Stephen Prysunka called the Special Assembly meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., May 28, 2020, in the Borough Assembly Chambers.

PRESENT: PRYSUNKA, GILBERT, DELONG, POWELL, DECKER, MORRISON

ABSENT: NONE

Borough Manager Von Bargaen and Borough Clerk Lane were also in attendance.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Prysunka declared a potential Conflict of Interest because he is a member of the Wrangell Volunteer Fire Department. Vice-Mayor Gilbert stated that she did not see a Conflict of Interest; there were no objections from the Assembly.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD – None.

ITEM(s) OF BUSINESS

5a Approval to Purchase a New Ambulance with Power Load/Cot System from Braun NW, Inc. in the Amount of \$205,871.

M/S: Morrison/Gilbert to Approve the Purchase of a New Ambulance with Power Load/Cot System from Braun NW, Inc. in the Amount of \$205,871.

Von Bargaen provided the overview on why an additional ambulance was necessary; with a COVID-19 screen positive call, an ambulance must sit for up to 3 hours following a call for decontamination; if we have a trauma call or more than one call at the same time, we would have an ambulance out of commission; as we are opening up, we are having more visitors and workers coming into town so getting an ambulance here quickly is important; Chief Buness and Captain Sprehe researched and found an off-the-lot ready ambulance.

In response to DeLong on the cost to ship the ambulance here, Von Bargaen stated that the cost for shipping was within her spending authority and did not require the Assembly's approval.

In response to Morrison on when the ambulance would be here, Chief Buness stated that it should be close to being done by the end of June.


Von Bargaen stated that this action would be in preparation of a COVID-19 surge; would keep us prepared for the long haul.


In response to Decker on what the age was on the other two ambulances, Chief Buness stated that the years were 2002 and 2008; if we went forward with this purchase, it would

be the fifth ambulance that has been purchased from Braun.

Motion approved with Gilbert, Powell, DeLong, Morrison, and Prysunka voting yes; Decker voted no.

Special Assembly meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

ATTEST: 
Kim Lane, MMC, Borough Clerk


Stephen Prysunka, Mayor

