

Minutes of Regular Assembly Meeting
Held on June 28, 2022

Mayor Stephen Prysunka called the Regular Assembly meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., June 28, 2022, in the Borough Assembly Chambers. Assembly Member Gilbert led the pledge of allegiance, and the roll was called.

PRESENT: DALRYMPLE, POWELL, MORRISON, PRYSUNKA, DEBORD, GILBERT
ABSENT: HOWE

Borough Manager Jeff Good and Clerk Lane were also present.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Marianne Mills, Catholic Community Services spoke in favor of Community Funding support.

Brian Lynch, Rivers Without Borders spoke in favor of approving Resolution No. 06-22-1702 which opposes any extension of the receivership process for the Tulsequah Chief Mine.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Dalrymple requested that Items 6b (Resolution No. 06-22-1702), 6c (Resolution No. 06-22-1703), and 6d (Resolution 06-22-1704) be removed from the Consent Agenda and be placed under Unfinished Business. There were no objections from the Assembly.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **RESOLUTION No. 06-22-1701** OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, APPROVING AMENDMENT II TO THE POLE RENTAL AGREEMENT WITH GENERAL COMMUNICATION INC.
- b. **RESOLUTION No. 06-22-1702** OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, ENCOURAGING THE PROMPT AND FULL CLOSURE AND CLEANUP OF THE TULSEQUAH CHIEF MINE AND URGING THE B.C. GOVERNMENT TO OPPOSE ANY EXTENSION OF THE RECEIVERSHIP PROCESS (*moved to Unfinished Business*)
- c. **RESOLUTION No. 06-22-1703** OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR JOB DESCRIPTION AND THE NON-UNION WAGE AND GRADE TABLE (*moved to Unfinished Business*)
- d. **RESOLUTION No. 06-22-1704** OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, SETTING THE STRATEGIC ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE PERMANENT FUND AT 52% RISK ASSETS, 21% ALTERNATIVE ASSETS AND 27% RISK CONTROL ASSETS, AND ESTIMATING THE PERMANENT FUND SUSTAINABLE DISTRIBUTION RATE TO BE 3.6% OF THE FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE FUND MARKET VALUE (*moved to Unfinished Business*)
- e. Minutes from the June 14, 2022 Regular Assembly Meeting

f. CORRESPONDENCE: School Board action from the June 20, 2022 Regular meeting

M/S: Gilbert/Morrison to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Good's report was provided.

BOROUGH CLERK'S FILE

Clerk Lane's report was provided.

MAYOR AND ASSEMBLY BUSINESS – None.

MAYOR AND ASSEMBLY APPOINTMENTS – None.

PUBLIC HEARING

a. **ORDINANCE No. 1027** OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, AMENDING THE ZONING MAP TO EFFECT A CHANGE TO A PORTION OF TRACT Y, U.S.S. 2321, PARCEL NO. 03-006-305, FROM LIGHT INDUSTRIAL TO RURAL RESIDENTIAL 1

Mayor Prysunka called to order the Public Hearing on this item and asked if there were any persons who wanted to speak to this item. Hearing none, Prysunka asked Manager Good for an administrative report.

Manager Good explained why this item was being brought forward for consideration.

Prysunka closed the Public Hearing and asked for a motion on this item.

M/S: Morrison/Gilbert to approve Ordinance No. 1027. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

b. **ORDINANCE No. 1028** OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 16.12, OF THE WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE

Mayor Prysunka called to order the Public Hearing on this item and asked if there were any persons who wanted to speak to this item. Hearing none, Prysunka asked Manager Good for an administrative report.

Manager Good explained why this item was being brought forward for consideration.

Prysunka closed the Public Hearing and asked for a motion on this item.

M/S: Powell/Gilbert to approve Ordinance No. 1028. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

c. **RESOLUTION No. 06-22-1700** OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR ALL FUNDS OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023

Mayor Prysunka called to order the Public Hearing on this item and asked if there were any persons who wanted to speak to this item.

Prysunka closed the Public Hearing and asked for a motion on this item.

M/S: Morrison/Gilbert to approve Resolution No. 06-22-1700.

Dalrymple questioned why his narrative concerns for were not incorporated in the published draft budget.

Villarma stated that he did incorporate them however, they may not have been transferred to the published document.

Carol Rushmore, Economic Development Director stated that if the request was being made to change the narrative for either the Economic Development Committee or the Wrangell Convention and Visitors Bureau, those requests would need to first go to those perspective bodies for approval since they are the ones who approved the narrative for the budget in those departments.

After more discussion, it was stated that if the narrative language was being changed, it needs to come back to the assembly in the form of a budget amendment that would change the narrative.

Motion approved with Prysunka, Morrison, Dalrymple, Gilbert, DeBord; Powell voted no.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. **RESOLUTION No. 06-22-1702 OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, ENCOURAGING THE PROMPT AND FULL CLOSURE AND CLEANUP OF THE TULSEQUAH CHIEF MINE AND URGING THE B.C. GOVERNMENT TO OPPOSE ANY EXTENSION OF THE RECEIVERSHIP PROCESS**

M/S: Gilbert/Morrison to approve Resolution No. 06-22-1702.

Dalrymple stated that he was very passionate that we should be very cautious when providing comments to the foreign government; concerned that there was no letter requesting this and found some of the wording in the Resolution problematic.

Prysunka agreed with Dalrymple and stated that he was against cookie-cutter Resolutions and if we were going to write a letter, we should write our own letter or Resolution.

Prysunka requested that the Manager draft a Resolution that better suits our community and bring it back to the Assembly for approval.

Motion failed unanimously by polled vote.

b. **RESOLUTION No. 06-22-1703 OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR JOB DESCRIPTION AND THE NON-UNION WAGE AND GRADE TABLE**

M/S: Powell/Gilbert to approve Resolution No. 06-22-1703.

Good explained that this would remove the Finance Director from the Wage and Grade Table and allow the Manager to negotiate with the Finance Director.

Dalrymple asked what cons there were; concerned with contracting the HR duties.

Prysunka stated that there were companies that contract out their HR duties; spoke on the advantages in going that route.

Dalrymple questioned how the disciplinary items would be handled.

Good explained that the process would not change; manager would still handle any grievances.

Powell questioned if the contract would be negotiated with the Borough Assembly.

Good stated that no, the contract would be negotiated with the Borough Manager.

Prysunka stated that his concern was that there were several duties in the new Finance Director job description that were in the Assistant Manager job description that was previously approved; concerned that they would be pulling duties from the City Manager and placing them on the Finance Director job description.

Gilbert stated that by removing this position from the Wage & Grade table, the Assembly would be voting in the dark because the amount and terms would be unknown.

In response to Powell to Finance Director Villarma, he was comfortable with what was being provided in the contract.

Villarma stated that it's becoming more common to contract directors; included a provision in the contract to allow for Assembly access to the Finance Director if no direction was given.

Villarma also stated that the duties outlined in the job description were already being performed by the Finance Director.

Motion approved with Powell, Morrison, Dalrymple, Gilbert, DeBord; Prysunka voted no.

c. **RESOLUTION No. 06-22-1704 OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, SETTING THE STRATEGIC ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE PERMANENT FUND AT 52% RISK ASSETS, 21% ALTERNATIVE ASSETS AND 27% RISK CONTROL ASSETS, AND ESTIMATING THE PERMANENT FUND SUSTAINABLE DISTRIBUTION RATE TO BE 3.6% OF THE FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE FUND MARKET VALUE**

M/S: Gilbert/Morrison to approve Resolution No. 06-22-1704.

Dalrymple questioned if the Investment Committee was involved. Good stated that yes, they were and that this was a clerical item.

Villarma stated that the Assembly was supposed to approve the strategic asset allocation of the permanent fund each year; has not really been done in the past.

At the request of Gilbert, Villarma stated explained what each asset class was.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Approval of a contract award to T&R Electric Supply Company, Inc. in the amount of \$224,700 for the 3-Megawatt Transformer Procurement project

M/S: Gilbert/Morrison to approve a contract award to T&R Electric Supply Company, Inc. in the amount of \$224,700 for the 3-Megawatt Transformer Procurement project.

Gilbert asked for confirmation that this was for three 3-megawatt transformers; Good stated that yes, that was correct.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

b. Approval of a contract award to Johnson Construction & Supply, Inc. in the amount of \$43,260 for the Heritage Harbor Boat Ramp Apron Concrete Paving

M/S: Morrison/Powell to approve a contract award to Johnson Construction & Supply, Inc. in the amount of \$43,260 for the Heritage Harbor Boat Ramp Apron Concrete Paving. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

c. Approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Shannon & Wilson in the amount of \$52,162 for the Mt Dewey Slope Geotechnical Investigations

M/S: Gilbert/Morrison to Approve a Professional Services Agreement with Shannon & Wilson in the amount of \$52,162 for the Mt. Dewey Slope Geotechnical Investigations. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

d. Approval of an Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with PND Engineers for the Non-Motorized Transportation System Design in the amount of \$64,901

M/S: Gilbert/Powell to Approve an Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with PND Engineers for the Non-Motorized Transportation System Design in the amount of \$64,901. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

e. Approval of a Special Assembly Meeting for Monday, July 11, 2022, at 5:30 PM

M/S: Powell/Gilbert to approve holding a Special Assembly Meeting for Monday, July 11, 2022, at 5:30 PM.

Good stated that there were three-time sensitive items that needed to be considered by the Assembly and they could not wait until the next meeting which would be on July 26th.

Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

ATTORNEY'S FILE – Available for Assembly review in the Borough Clerk's office

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Executive Session: Borough Clerk's Annual Evaluation and Review of Clerk's Contract

M/S: Gilbert/Dalrymple pursuant to 44.62.310 (c) (2), that we recess into executive session to discuss matters that may tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person, specifically the Borough Clerk's Evaluation and Review of Borough Clerk's Contract. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

- b. Executive Session: Borough Manager's 6-Month Evaluation

M/S: Morrison/pursuant to 44.62.310 (c) (2), that we recess into executive session to discuss matters that may tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person, specifically the Borough Manager's 6-Month Evaluation. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

Recessed into Executive Session at 8:30 p.m.

Reconvened back into Regular Session at 10:12 p.m.

M/S: Gilbert/Morrison to approve the Borough Clerk's Contract, as negotiated. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

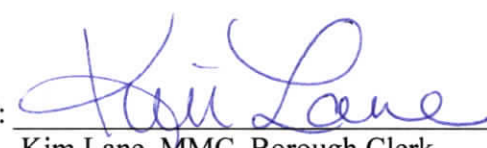
M/S: Gilbert/Powell to approve the amended Contract for the Borough Manager. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Regular Assembly meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.


Stephen Prysunka, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:


Kim Lane, MMC, Borough Clerk

