

## Minutes of Regular Assembly Meeting

**Held on January 28, 2020**

Mayor Stephen Prysunka called the Regular Assembly meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., January 28, 2020, in the Borough Assembly Chambers. The pledge was led by Mayor Steve Prysunka and the roll was called.

PRESENT: POWELL, PRYSUNKA, GILBERT, LARRABEE, DECKER (BY PHONE)

ABSENT: DELONG, MORRISON

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

CEREMONIAL MATTERS – None.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD – None.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA – None.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST – None.

### CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Assembly Minutes from Regular January 14, 2020
- b. CORRESPONDENCE: School Board Action from Regular December 16, 2019
- c. CORRESPONDENCE: School Board Minutes from Regular November 21, 2019

***M/S: Gilbert/Larrabee to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

### BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

Von Barga provided updates on the following:

- AMI RFP Metering report
- Zirembo Island Cleanup
- Governor Dunleavy coming to Wrangell February 4<sup>th</sup>
- Utility consumption; still receiving concerns
- Von Barga traveling to Ketchikan on January 31<sup>st</sup>, just for the evening
- Work Session for Borough Goals for February 11<sup>th</sup> Regular meeting
- Significant issues with the Public Safety Building
- Letter regarding the November Electric Bill's was received from a resident in the Community, asking to consider reimbursing those who appear to have been overcharged.

After some discussion from the Assembly on the electric issue, Prysunka asked that there be an item on the next agenda to consider reimbursement or if after investigating, have an item on the next agenda to discuss it.

BOROUGH CLERK'S FILE

Clerk Lane's report was provided.

MAYOR AND ASSEMBLY BUSINESS

Powell reported that he attended the National Rifle Association Foundation event and was able to secure a \$55,000 grant to start work on the Shooting Range.

Prysunka reported that he did a legislative fly-in to Juneau last week for the Alaska Municipal League; meet with other community Mayors; met with Legislators on the issue of the Alaska Marine Highway Ferry issue; testified to the Alaska Senate House Finance Committee; asking that they fund \$5 million to assist the Alaska Marine Highway System; hoping that if they look at this from a disaster response side, they might see it differently.

Prysunka also reported that he met with Senator Stedman's office and Representative Ortiz; expressed deep concern with the possibility of the Department of Fish & Game office closing; working on the Office of Child Services side as well.

Prysunka thanked the volunteer fire department members who showed up in the middle of the night when the sprinkler system at the Public Service Building went off.

MAYOR AND ASSEMBLY APPOINTMENTS

Prysunka postponed the appointment of an Assembly Member to the Investment Committee until the next assembly meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING

**11a ORDINANCE NO. 973** OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, AMENDING SECTION 14.03.040, REGULAR MEETINGS, OF THE WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE (*second reading*)

Mayor Prysunka declared the Public Hearing open for Ordinance No. 973.

Prysunka declared the Public Hearing closed on this item and entertained a motion.

***M/S: Powell/Gilbert to approve Ordinance No. 973. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS

**13a ORDINANCE No 974** OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA AMENDING THE WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE, CREATING CHAPTER 3.15 "INVESTMENT COMMITTEE"

***M/S: Gilbert/Powell to approve first reading of Ordinance No. 974, with a Second Reading and Public Hearing scheduled for February 11, 2020. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

**13b RESOLUTION No 01-20-1509** OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA AMENDING THE FY 2020 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND TRANSFERRING \$7,700 FROM GENERAL FUND RESERVES TO FIRE DEPARTMENT NON-CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXPENDITURE FOR DISPATCH RADIO CONSOLE

***M/S: Powell/Gilbert to approve Resolution No. 01-20-1509.***

***Dorianne Sprehe, Wrangell Fire Department***, outlined the need for the purchase of the dispatch radio console; cannot upgrade the current system any longer; need to replace.

***Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

**13c RESOLUTION No 01-20-1510** OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, SUPPORTING THE REUSE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR LOT 17, BLOCK 5A, WRANGELL TOWNSITE, USS 1119 (FORMER WILCOX AUTOMOTIVE SITE)

***M/S: Gilbert/Powell to approve Resolution No. 01-20-1510.***

In response to Powell on if we had this property changed to parking lot use, would we be held to only use this property for that purpose in the future, Von Bargaen stated that she didn't believe so since there was nothing being recorded to the property that stated this however, if we find out that it isn't the case and that we would be restricted, we will back off and not move forward.

***Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

**13d** Approval to Dispose of City Surplus Property in Conformance with Wrangell Municipal Code Section 5.10.060 and to Authorize the Borough Manager to Dispose of any Surplus Property Not Purchased during the Sale

***M/S: Powell/Gilbert to approve of the disposition of surplus property in conformance with Wrangell Municipal Code Section 5.10.060 and to authorize the Borough Manager to dispose of any City Property not purchased during the Sale. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

**13e** Approval of 2020 Federal Legislative Priorities

***M/S: Gilbert/Powell to approve the 2020 Federal Legislative Priorities. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

**13f** Approval of 2020 State Legislative Priorities



***M/S: Gilbert/Larrabee to approve the 2020 State Legislative Priorities. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

**13g** Approval of FY 2021/FY 2022 Budget Calendar

***M/S: Gilbert/Larrabee to approve the FY 2021/FY 2022 Budget Calendar. Motion approved with Larrabee, Gilbert, Decker and Prysunka voting yes; Powell voted no.***

**13h** Approval to hold a Work Session, followed by a Special Assembly meeting on Monday, February 10, 2020

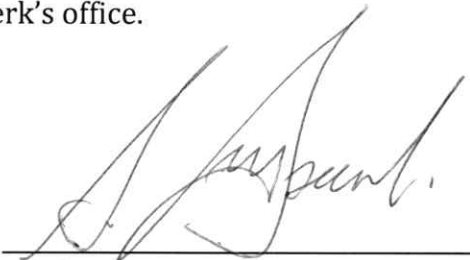
***M/S: Gilbert/Powell to approve holding a Work Session, followed by a Special Assembly meeting on Monday, February 10, 2020. Motion approved unanimously by polled vote.***

ATTORNEY'S FILE


**14** Available for Assembly review in the Borough Clerk's office.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None.

Regular Assembly meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

  
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Stephen Prysunka, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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~~Kim Lane, MMC, Borough Clerk~~  
Aleisha Mollen, Deputy Borough Clerk

