

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on May 15, 2007, at the Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. by Mayor Curtis D. Menard.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Assembly members present and establishing a quorum were:

Ms. Lynne Woods, Assembly District No. 1 (*Deputy Mayor*) (*teleconference*)  
Mr. Bill Allen, Assembly District No. 2  
Ms. Michelle R. Church, Assembly District No. 3  
Ms. Mary Kvalheim, Assembly District No. 4  
Ms. Cindy L. Bettine, Assembly District No. 5 (*teleconference*)  
Mr. Robert Wells, Assembly District No. 6  
Mr. Tom Kluberton, Assembly District No. 7

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Michelle M. McGehee, CMC, Borough Clerk  
Mr. Nicholas Spiropoulos, Borough Attorney  
Ms. Amanda Charles, Executive Assistant to the Borough Clerk  
Ms. Tammy Clayton, Finance Director  
Mr. Keith Rountree, Public Works Director  
Mr. Dennis Brodigan, Emergency Services Director  
Mr. Ron Swanson, Community Development Director  
Mr. Dave Hanson, Economic Development Director  
Mr. Murph O'Brien, Planning and Land Use Director  
Ms. Patty Sullivan, Public Information Manager  
Mr. Sev Jones, Chief Planning Officer  
Ms. Lauren Kruer, Planning Officer II

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Menard inquired if there were any changes to the agenda.

Mr. Swanson requested that AM No. 07-079 be pulled from the agenda.

There was no objection noted.

**GENERAL CONSENT:** The agenda was approved as amended without objection.

#### **IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Huggins.

#### **V. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS**

A. Regular Assembly Meeting: 05/01/07

Mayor Menard inquired if there were any corrections to the regular meeting minutes of May 1, 2007.

GENERAL CONSENT: The minutes were approved as presented without objection.

#### **VI. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY**

A. A Proclamation in Recognition of Arbor Day

Mayor Menard read the proclamation into the record.

B. A Proclamation in Recognition of Educator Appreciation Week

Mayor Menard:

- read the proclamation into the record; and
- presented the proclamation to a member of the school district.

C. A Proclamation in Recognition of the Volunteer Week

Mayor Menard:

- read the proclamation into the record; and
- presented the proclamation to Ms. Sally Letterman, Volunteer Coordinator.

D. A Proclamation in Recognition of the Volunteer Week

Mayor Menard:

- read the proclamation into the record; and
- presented the proclamation to Mr. Chuck Kuasic, Project Manager.

E. A Presentation of the Borough Seal

Mayor Menard:

- spoke regarding Mr. Ron Swanson's with the Borough over the last 32 years; and
- stated that Mr. Swanson will be missed.

#### **VII. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE**

A. AGENCY REPORTS  
1. Reports from cities

Wasilla City

Councilmember Metiva:

- spoke to the city's operating budget;
- noted that the budget is expected to be finalized by mid-June;
- addressed the annexation of four different parcels;
- spoke regarding approval of House Bill 229, railway from Willow to Point MacKenzie;
- noted the City's support of the sales tax; and
- provided comment on the Borough budget.

Assembly Kvalheim queried the Whispering Wood Road annexation.

Councilmember Metiva spoke to the boundary lines of the annexation.

Assemblymember Allen:

- spoke regarding the sales tax meeting; and
- noted that he will be contacting Ms. Clayton after the next work session regarding the sales tax.

Houston City

Councilmember McDonald:

- spoke to a 37 acre park being built; and
- requested funding from the Assembly during the budget process.

Assemblymember Allen stated that he will be contacting the city of Houston after the sales tax work session on May 22, 2007

2. Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District

The following principals provided a report on performance-based budgeting: Mr. Dwight Probasco, Wasilla High School; Ms. Becky Huggins, Mid-Valley High School; Mr. Mark Vervalow, Houston High School; and Mr. Mike Loony, Colony High School.

Assemblymember Kluberton queried the international baccalaureate courses.

Mr. Probasco:

- spoke regarding the similarity to advanced high school classes and the educational opportunities afforded to the students;
- stated that the courses are available to high school students;
- noted that they are college level courses; and
- explained that the students can obtain college credits for these classes.

3. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Mr. Bill Rice provided a presentation on the variety of projects that the Fish and Wildlife Service and Public Works are working on together.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Joint Assembly/School Board Committee on School Issues

Assemblymember Wells reported that the meeting on May 7, 2007, was very informative.

2. Assembly Public Relations

*(There were no reports provided.)*

3. Mayor's Blue Ribbon Task Force on Forming a Health and Social Services Board

Mr. Gabe Layman:

- spoke to the primary health care plan;
- noted that there is support from Mayor Menard and former Mayor Anderson; and
- provided an update on the task force's accomplishments.

Mayor Menard thanked Mr. Layman for the Board's work.

C. MANAGER COMMENTS

1. State/Federal Legislation

*(There were no comments)*

D. ATTORNEY COMMENTS

*(There was no report provided.)*

E. CLERK COMMENTS

Ms. McGehee spoke regarding the upcoming meeting schedule, the records management report, the quasi-judicial boards report, and the Assembly tracking report.

Mr. Spiropoulos commented on his upcoming evaluation.

F. CITIZEN AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

1. MSB Board/Committee Minutes:

- a. Caswell Lakes Road Service Area Advisory Board: 02/01/07
- b. Greater Palmer Consolidated Fire Service Area Board of Supervisors: 02/26/07

- c. Wasilla-Lakes Fire Service Area Board of Supervisors: 02/19/07
  - d. Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes: 11/20/06, 12/4/06, 12/18/06, 01/08/07, 01/22/07, 02/05/07, 03/05/07
  - e. Planning Commission Resolution Nos: 07-01, 07-02(AM), 07-03(AM), 07-04, 07-05, 07-06, 07-09, 07-10, 07-11, 07-12, 07-13, 07-14, 07-15, 07-16, 07-17, 07-18(SUB), 07-19, 07-20, 07-21, 07-22, 07-23
- 2. Community Council Correspondence:
    - a. Glacier View Community Council: 02/21/07
    - b. Pt. MacKenzie Community Council: 01/27/07

The citizen and other correspondence were presented and no comments were noted.

**G. INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUMS**

- 1. IM No. 07-121: AN INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM RECLASSIFYING THE EXISTING, VACANT, ENGINEERING TECHNICAL POSITION TO AN ENGINEERING COORDINATOR TITLE.

The informational memorandum was presented and no comments were noted.

*(The regular meeting recessed at 6:56 p.m. and reconvened at 7:10 p.m.)*

**VIII. SPECIAL ORDERS (to begin at 7 p.m.)**

- A. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (Three minutes per person.)
  - B. PUBLIC HEARINGS (Three minutes per person.)
    - 1. Ordinance Serial No. 07-058: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 17.73; MULTI-FAMILY DEVELOPMENT DESIGN STANDARDS AND MSB 17.125; DEFINITIONS.
      - a. IM 07-081

Mr. Jones provided a staff report.

Assemblymember Kvalheim requested Mr. Richard Boothby speak.

Mr. Richard Boothby:

- spoke to discussions with the State Fire Marshalls' office and the necessity for the changes; and
- commented on the State's parameters and differences in multiplexes.

Assemblymember Allen queried the availability of the data from the State Fire Marshalls.

Mr. Jones noted that the information is not yet available from the State.

Discussion ensued regarding

- inspections of multiplexes; and
- inspection fees.

Mayor Menard opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke against Ordinance Serial No. 07-058: Mr. Jeff Clements; Ms. Casey Steina; Mr. Gary LaRusso; and Mr. Garvin Bucaria

There being no others present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 07-058.

Assemblymember Bettine queried connectivity issues and the number of unit dwellings.

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen called for the question (to stop debate).

VOTE: The motion to stop debate passed without objection.

VOTE: The main motion passed without objection.

2. Ordinance Serial No. 07-059: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE FISH AND NUMBERED LANDS RECREATION MANAGEMENT PLAN, CLASSIFYING THE BOROUGH-OWNED LAND SUBJECT TO THE PLAN AS PUBLIC RECREATION/WATERSHED LANDS.
  - a. IM No. 07-098

Mr. Swanson provided a staff report.

Mayor Menard opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke in favor of Ordinance Serial No. 07-059: Mr. Christopher Mannix; Ms. Ellen Wolf; Ms. Kathy Wells; Mr. Arthur Mannix; Mr. Garvin Bucaria; Ms. Ruth Wood; and Mr. John Strasenburg.

There being no others present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kluberton moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 07-059.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

3. Ordinance Serial No. 07-060: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR BOROUGH-OWNED LAND IN THE BUTTE AREA,

AND TO CLASSIFY APPROXIMATELY 2,268 ACRES OF BOROUGH-OWNED LAND AS RECOMMENDED IN THE PLAN.

a. IM No. 07-101

Mr. Swanson provided a staff report.

Mayor Menard opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke in favor of Ordinance Serial No. 07-060: Ms. Lucille Frey; Ms. Brett Lively; Ms. Kathy Wells; Mr. Garvin Bucaria; and Ms. Kathy Hummel.

There being no others present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 07-060.

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen moved to amend IM No. 07-101, by adding the following sentence at the end of the first paragraph (page 247); "This plan is for borough-owned land only. It is not to be applied to privately owned land in the Butte area."

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

VOTE: The main motion passed as amended without objection.

*(The regular meeting recessed at 8:40 p.m. and reconvened at 8:56 p.m.)*

4. Ordinance Serial No. 07-061: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH RECREATIONAL TRAILS PLAN COMPONENT OF THE BOROUGH'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN THAT ADDS TRAILS AND TRAIL SYSTEMS.

a. IM No. 07-102

Mr. Swanson provided a staff report.

Mayor Menard opened the public hearing.

The following person spoke in favor of Ordinance Serial No. 07-061: Ms. Lori Benner.

There being no others present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 07-061.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

5. Ordinance Serial No. 07-062: AN ORDINANCE RECLASSIFYING A PORTION OF LAND THAT IS APPROXIMATELY 0.41 ACRE ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF FISH CREEK PARK (TRACT 5B, FIRST ADDITION TO FISH CREEK SUBDIVISION) AS “RESERVED USE-TRANSPORTATION LANDS/PUBLIC RECREATION;” AND DEDICATE A PUBLIC ACCESS EASEMENT ON THE SAME PIECE OF PROPERTY FOR LIMITED PURPOSES.
  - a. IM No. 07-103

Mr. Swanson provided a staff report.

Mayor Menard opened the public hearing.

The following person spoke in opposition of Ordinance Serial No. 07-062: Mr. Lance Johnson.

There being no others present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 07-062.

Assemblymember Bettine:

- spoke regarding the importance of this ordinance; and
- requested unanimous support from the Assembly.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

6. Ordinance Serial No. 07-063: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$450,000 FROM THE MEADOW LAKES FIRE SERVICE AREA FUND BALANCE, FUND 257, TO PROJECT NO. 45152, FUND 405, TO PURCHASE FIRE APPARATUS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT.
  - a. Resolution Serial No. 07-052: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR PROJECT NO. 45152, FUND 405, TO PURCHASE FIRE APPARATUS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT.
    - (1) IM No. 07-106

Mr. Brodigan provided a staff report.

Mayor Menard opened the public hearing.

There being no persons present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kluberton moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 07-063 and Resolution Serial No. 07-052.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

7. Ordinance Serial No. 07-064: AN ORDINANCE REAPPROPRIATING \$275,000 FROM THE PLANNING DIVISION'S FISCAL YEAR 2007 OPERATING BUDGET, FUND 100, TO FUND 480, PROJECT NO. 45220, BIG LAKE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE; PROJECT NO. 45179, FOR THE MSB PUBLIC FACILITIES PLAN UPDATE; PROJECT NO. 20332, ASSIST DEVELOPERS TO INCORPORATE TRAFFIC CALMING INTO THEIR SUBDIVISION PLAN; PROJECT NO. 45221, A STUDY TO CONNECT COLLECTOR ROADS ALONG PARKS HIGHWAY CORRIDOR BETWEEN WASILLA AND BIG LAKE; AND PROJECT NO. 45222, COMPLETION OF THE LAZY MOUNTAIN COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND THE SUTTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE.
  - a. IM No. 07-099

Mr. Jones provided a staff report.

Assemblymember Church queried the use of the funds.

Mr. Jones:

- spoke to the funds for the projects; and
- noted that there is a request in the budget for allocating funds for density studies.

Assemblymember Bettine queried the number of subdivisions which require traffic calming that Planning receives per year.

Mr. Jones advised that there is an average of six per year.

Assemblymember Kvalheim spoke to concerns for traffic calming in her district.

Assemblymember Bettine queried the details of the public facilities plan update.

Mr. Jones:

- commented on the design aspects of the public facility; and
- affirmed that there are studies to determine levels of importance.

Mayor Menard opened the public hearing.

There being no persons who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 07-064.

Assemblymember Wells queried if the funds would revert back to the general fund if they were not reappropriated.

Mr. Swanson affirmed that the funds would revert back to the general fund if not reappropriated.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

8. Ordinance Serial No. 07-065: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING MSB 23.010.130, FOREST MANAGEMENT, AND CREATING A NEW CHAPTER MSB 23.20, FOREST MANAGEMENT.
  - a. Ordinance Serial No. 07-066: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING MSB 23.05.005, DEFINITIONS, AND CREATING A NEW SECTION MSB 23.05.150, DEFINITIONS.
  - b. Ordinance Serial No. 07-067: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 23.060.030, CLARIFYING AND ADDING A FUNCTION AND DUTY RELATED TO FOREST MANAGEMENT AND TIMBER SALES.
- (1) IM No. 07-104

Mr. Swanson provided a staff report.

Mayor Menard opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke in favor of Ordinance Serial Nos. 07-065, 07-066, and 07-067: Mr. Arthur Mannix; Ms. Kathy Wells; Mr. John Strasenber; and Ms. Ruth Wood.

The following person spoke in a general nature to Ordinance Serial Nos. 07-065, 07-066, and 07-067: Mr. Garvin Bucaria.

There being no others present who wished to testify, the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Assembly.

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen moved to adopt Ordinance Serial Nos. 07-065, 07-066, and 07-067.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kluberton moved a primary amendment to Ordinance Serial No. 07-065, MSB 23.20.040(B), by striking the word “commercial” and inserting in its place the word “operable” to read as follows: (B) Annual allowable cut equals the total amount of operable forest land acreage in all borough forest management units divided by the rotation period of the dominant timber stand type established in MSB 23.20.020; and

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kluberton moved a primary amendment to Ordinance Serial No. 07-065, MSB 23.20.040(C), by inserting the words “and operable” to read as follows: (C) The total commercial and operable forest land acreage in all borough forest management units will be determined by the forest inventory in MSB 23.20.020.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kluberton moved a primary amendment to Ordinance Serial No. 07-065, MSB 23.20.140, by inserting a “,” in the title to read as follows: 23.20.140 General Contract provisions for Timber, Salvage or Non-Timber Forest Products sales, leases or Permits.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

Assemblymember Church queried MSB 23.20.040(D) and referenced the management units which are on a 10 year basis.

Mr. Swanson spoke to a 5 year plan coming into place prior to the 10 year mark.

VOTE: The main motion passed as amended without objection.

C. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Three minutes per person.)

The following persons spoke regarding concerns with Ordinance Serial No. 07-069: Ms. Kathy Wells; and Mr. Arthur Mannix.

The following person spoke regarding Mr. Ron Swason’s years of service to the Borough: Mr. Arthur Mannix.

The following person spoke regarding his concerns with Ordinance Serial Nos. 07-065, 07-066, and 07-067 and requested aerial photos of upcoming timber harvest: Mr. Garvin Bucaria.

The following person spoke regarding the international baccalaureate programs: Mr. Mike Chmielewski.

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

A. INTRODUCTION (For public hearing - 05/15/07, 7 p.m., Borough Assembly Chambers)

1. Ordinance Serial No. 07-068: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 28.060.030, NOISE IN TIMBER HARVEST AREAS, AND MSB 28.100, DEFINITIONS.

a. IM No. 07-117

2. Ordinance Serial No. 07-069: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE APPLICATION FROM HARRY AND JUDI DAVIDSON AND RONALD AND ALISON BICKLEIN REQUESTING THE BOROUGH ASSEMBLY RELEASE AND VACATE THE “ONLY FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES” COVENANT FOR PARCEL 1: SW4NW4, SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST, SEWARD MERIDIAN, AND PARCEL 2: S2SW4NE4 AND SE4NW4, SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST, SEWARD MERIDIAN, ALL BEING WITHIN THE PALMER RECORDING DISTRICT; FISHHOOK COMMUNITY COUNCIL AREA (MSB004513).

a. IM No. 07-122

3. Ordinance Serial No. 07-070: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 15.024.030 COMPREHENSIVE PLANS AND PURPOSES, ADOPTING THE 2007 MSB LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND THE 2007 OFFICIAL STREETS AND HIGHWAYS PLAN MAP.
  - a. IM No. 07-127

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen moved to introduce the legislation as read into the record by the Clerk and set the public hearings for June 5, 2007.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

## B. MAYORAL NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

### 1. VACANCY REPORT

Mayor Menard requested the following confirmations:

Borough Area Schools Site Selection Committee

Sarah Welton

Dan Contini

Joint Assembly/School Board Committee on School Issues

Michelle Church

MOTION: Assemblymember Woods moved to confirm the Mayor's recommendations up for confirmation this evening.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

D. CONSENT AGENDA (*Resolution Serial Nos. 07-059, Action Memorandum Nos. 07-077 and 07-079 were pulled from the consent agenda and addressed separately. See pp 13-14 of 15*)

### 1. RESOLUTIONS

a. Resolution Serial No. 07-056: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE NAMING OF THE MEADOW LAKES PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING (STATION 7-1) IN HONOR OF MARTY J. FINE.

(1) IM No. 07-119

b. Resolution Serial No. 07-057: A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE INTERIOR PAINTING OF THE EMERGENCY SERVICES MAINTENANCE BUILDING, PROJECT NO. 45185, FUND 405, TO THE EXTERIOR PAINTING OF THE EMERGENCY SERVICES MAINTENANCE BUILDING.

(1) IM No. 07-120

- c. Resolution Serial No. 07-058: A RESOLUTION DIRECTING ADMINISTRATION TO ESTABLISH A POLICY AND PROCEDURE TO RESERVE AND DEDICATE EXISTING TRAILS WITHIN RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND SECTION LINE EASEMENTS THAT ARE USED FOR MULTIPLE PURPOSES.  
(1) IM No. 07-125

2. ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUMS

- a. AM No. 07-076: ACCEPTANCE OF LATE FILED AND RETROACTIVE SENIOR CITIZEN AND DISABLED VETERAN EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS.

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen moved to approve the consent agenda as read into the record by the Clerk.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

- d. Resolution Serial No. 07-059: A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE TRI-BOROUGH ANTI-GANG AND YOUTH VIOLENCE POLICY TEAM'S EFFORT TO PREVENT AND REDUCE GANG-RELATED AND YOUTH VIOLENCE.  
*(Sponsored by: Mayor Menard)*  
(1) IM No. 07-128

MOTION: Assemblymember Bettine moved to adopt the resolution as read into the record by the Clerk.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

- b. AM No. 07-077: VACATION OF SOUTH NAGLEY STREET BETWEEN BLOCKS 2 AND 3 TALKEETNA TOWNSITE, LOCATED IN SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, SEWARD MERIDIAN, ALASKA. LOCATED IN THE TALKEETNA COMMUNITY COUNCIL AREA.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kluberton moved to adopt the action memorandum as read into the record by the Clerk.

Mr. Spiropoulos:

- spoke regarding and appeal filed on May 11, 2007, with the Board of Adjustment and Appeals;
- explained that the Assembly has a 30 day time frame to take action on this vacation; and
- spoke regarding jurisdictional authority.

Ms. McGehee noted that there needs to be further explanation in this area of code.

Discussion ensued regarding the action needed by the Assembly on the legislation.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

- c. AM No. 07-079: AWARD OF PROPOSAL NO. 07-080 TO MCCOOL CARLSON GREEN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,322,640 FOR THE SOUTH PALMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DESIGN.

Mr. Carlson, of McCool Carlson Green, provided a presentation on the plans for the South Palmer Elementary School design.

Assemblymember Allen queried if there was flexibility to use another architect on the project.

Mr. Carlson affirmed the query.

MOTION: Assemblymember Wells moved to extend the regular meeting past 11 p.m.

VOTE: The motion passed with Assemblymembers Allen, Kvalheim, and Church in opposition.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- useful life of a prototype;
- savings; and
- grade of land.

MOTION: Assemblymember Church moved to approve AM No. 07-079.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

## **IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*(There was no unfinished business presented.)*

## **C. OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

## **XI. RECONSIDERATION**

*(There were no reconsiderations presented.)*

## **XII. VETO**

*(There were no vetoes presented.)*

## **XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*(There was no executive session held.)*

#### **XIV. MAYOR AND ASSEMBLY COMMENTS**

Assemblymember Woods:

- spoke to concerns for funding education in Juneau;
- noted patrolling out in the Knik area; and
- thanked everyone involved for bringing order back to the Knik community.

Assemblymember Bettine spoke to the meeting with the Department of Corrections.

Assemblymember Wells provided a report regarding his trip to Juneau.

Assemblymember Church advised that she would be attending the upcoming Homebuilders Association meeting.

Assemblymember Kvalheim queried Mr. Swanson on the letter received from Ms. Mary Barrett regarding the Sorenson access.

Mr. Swanson noted that he had not yet read the letter.

Assemblymember Kluberton thanked Mr. Swanson for his work on the Timber Harvest piece of legislation.

Assemblymember Allen:

- noted that he requested the cost estimate of Port MacKenzie three weeks ago;
- requested that Port MacKenzie be put on the Tracking Report;
- requested a return in funding from the State in the sum of approximately \$1.5 million; and
- spoke regarding the timber harvest legislation.

Mayor Menard:

- spoke regarding the Port MacKenzie report;
- reported on the ferry construction; and
- noted that ferry will arrive sometime in the spring of 2008.

#### **XV. ADJOURNMENT**

The regular meeting adjourned at 11:07 p.m.