

I. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on October 19, 2010, at the Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The special meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Mayor Talis J. Colberg for the purpose of certifying the October 5, 2010, regular Borough election.

II. ROLL CALL

Assembly members present and establishing a quorum were:

Ms. Lynne Woods, Assembly District No. 1
Mr. Pete Houston, Assembly District No. 2
Mr. Ron Arvin, Assembly District No. 3
Ms. Cindy Bettine, Assembly District No. 5
Mr. Jim Colver, Assembly District No. 6

Assemblymembers absent and excused:

Mr. Mark Ewing, Assembly District No. 4
Mr. Vern Halter, Assembly District No. 7

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Lonnie R. McKechnie, CMC, Borough Clerk
Ms. Elizabeth Gray, Acting Borough Manager
Mr. Nicholas Spiropoulos, Borough Attorney
Ms. Cheryl D. Marino, Deputy Borough Clerk
Ms. Brenda J. Henry, Executive Assistant to the Borough Clerk
Ms. Sharon Huckins, Administrative Secretary
Ms. Debra Wetherhorn, Administrative Secretary
Ms. Joell Church, Records Management Officer
Ms. Kathy Tyson, Records Microfilm Scanning Technician
Ms. Holly Dubose, Administrative Secretary
Ms. Patty Sullivan, Public Affairs Director

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Jean Woods, a member of the audience.

V. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

A. Canvass Board Report

Ms. McKechnie:

- acknowledged the staff of the Clerk's Office for their outstanding efforts during the election;
- introduced and thanked the members of the Canvass Board for their hard work and dedication; and
- requested Ms. Geraldine Keeling, Canvass Board Chairperson, to provide the Canvass Board's report of the election.

Ms. Keeling:

- reported on the number of registered Borough voters;
- explained the questioned ballot process;
- spoke regarding the precincts' ballot accountability reports;
- reported on accu-vote machine jamming issues at the Butte precinct;
- spoke to an equipment change at the Greater Palmer precinct;
- stated that seven ballots at the Farm Loop precinct were issued incorrectly;
- spoke to the canvassing procedure when there is a change to the voter residence address;
- reported that the Canvass Board had observers present during canvassing;
- reported on the number of questioned and absentee ballots voted and counted;
- provided an overview of the Canvass Board's process;
- noted that there were 38 ballots that should of been hand counted during canvassing, but were put through the accu-vote machines;
- noted that these 38 ballots would not have affected the election results; and
- discussed the voter turnout for the October 5, 2010, election.

B. Certification of October 5, 2010, Regular Borough Election

MOTION: Assemblymember Woods moved to certify the election results for the October 5, 2010, regular Borough election, as presented by the Canvass Board. *(See attached Election Certification.)*

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

C. Presentation of Borough Seal to Assemblymembers Woods and Houston

Mayor Colberg presented the Borough Seal to Assemblymember Lynne Woods and Assemblymember Pete Houston in appreciation for their service to the Borough.

D. Oaths of Office for Newly Elected Officials

Ms. McKechnie administered the Oath of Office to Assemblymember Warren Keogh and Assemblymember Noel Woods.

VI. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Three minutes per person.)

(There was no one present who wished to testify.)

VII. MAYOR, ASSEMBLY, AND STAFF COMMENTS

Assemblymember Colver:

- congratulated Mayor Colberg on his new endeavor; and
- stated that he is looking forward to working with Assemblymembers Keogh and Woods.

Assemblymember Bettine:

- thanked Assemblymembers Houston and Woods and Mayor Colberg for their service; and
- noted that she is pleased that the members will continue public service.

Assemblymember Houston:

- spoke to the reasons that serving on the Assembly is among the most rewarding experiences of his life; and
- encouraged the public to take advantage of the opportunity to serve on the Assembly.

Assemblymember Arvin:

- stated that it is a unique situation serving on the Assembly;
- noted that he appreciated getting to know Assemblymembers Woods and Houston; and
- thanked Assemblymember Woods and Houston for their public service.

Assemblymember Woods:

- stated that she hopes that the Borough projects that have been worked on will continue and become a reality for the residents;
- thanked her husband and family for their support;
- spoke to the wonderful people that reside in her district;
- stated that it was a pleasure to serve the residents of Assembly District No. 1;
- congratulated Mr. Keogh; and
- noted that she enjoyed getting to know everyone.

Mr. Spiropoulos:

- stated that it was a pleasure working with Mayor Colberg and Assemblymembers Woods and Houston; and
- noted that they will be missed.

Ms. Gray:

- stated that it was a pleasure to work with Mayor Colberg and Assemblymembers Woods and Houston;
- noted that she is looking forward to working on trails with Mr. Houston;
- spoke in appreciation of the knowledge and insight that Ms. Woods gave her over the past two years; and
- stated that she enjoyed working with Mayor Colberg.

Ms. McKechnie thanked Mayor Colberg and Assemblymembers Houston and Woods for their service.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The special meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.



RONALD ARVIN, Deputy Borough Mayor

ATTEST:



LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

Minutes approved: 11/23/10

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
ASSEMBLY CERTIFICATION OF REGULAR ELECTION
October 5, 2010**

The results of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Regular Election of October 5, 2010, are as follows:

	POLL	QUESTION	ABSENTEE & SPECIAL NEEDS	TOTAL
ASSEMBLY DISTRICT NO. 1				
KEOGH, Warren	851	9	108	968
RAUSCHER, George	678	5	62	745
TAPLEY, James A.	149	3	6	158
WALDEN, Bruce	121	1	12	134
Write-in	9	0	1	10

ASSEMBLY DISTRICT NO. 2

BRAUND, Thomas E. "Tom"	158	3	26	187
HOUSTON, Peter L.	457	5	70	532
LEINER, John F.	133	6	13	152
WOODS, Noel W.	819	14	106	939
Write-in	10	0	2	12

SCHOOL BOARD SEAT C

POUGHER, Susan	6541	215	896	7652
Write-in	1055	72	59	1186

SCHOOL BOARD SEAT F

LACY, Neal T.	4826	207	542	5575
VAGUE, Colleen J.	3830	122	537	4489
Write-in	122	3	13	138

SCHOOL BOARD SEAT G

GATTIS, Lynn	4973	138	700	5811
THOMPSON, Myrl "Boone"	4327	218	450	4995
Write-in	92	3	10	105

PROPOSITION NO. 1

YES	4709	153	539	5401
NO	5314	211	752	6277

PROPOSITION NO. 2

YES	<u>5065</u>	<u>231</u>	<u>679</u>	<u>5975</u>
NO	<u>5322</u>	<u>154</u>	<u>665</u>	<u>6141</u>

PROPOSITION NO. 3

YES	<u>5539</u>	<u>276</u>	<u>698</u>	<u>6513</u>
NO	<u>5030</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>654</u>	<u>5809</u>

PROPOSITION NO. 4

YES	<u>4443</u>	<u>231</u>	<u>515</u>	<u>5189</u>
NO	<u>5924</u>	<u>166</u>	<u>818</u>	<u>6908</u>

PROPOSITION NO. 5

YES	<u>2635</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>356</u>	<u>3087</u>
NO	<u>7722</u>	<u>285</u>	<u>978</u>	<u>8985</u>

	CAST	COUNTED
TOTAL POLL VOTERS:	<u>10,678</u>	<u>10,678</u>
TOTAL QUESTIONED BALLOTS:	<u>470</u>	<u>411</u>
TOTAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND SPECIAL NEEDS:	<u>1388</u>	<u>1366</u>
TOTAL:	<u>12,536</u>	<u>12,455</u>

WE, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly, jointly certify that the information listed herein is a true and accurate statement.

DATED this 19th day of October, 2010.


TALIS J. COLBERG
Borough Mayor

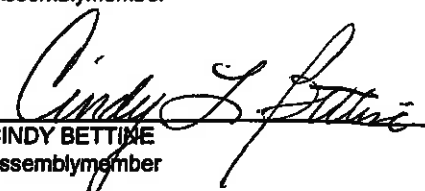

LYNNE WOODS
Assemblymember


PETE HOUSTON
Assemblymember


RONALD ARVIN
Assemblymember

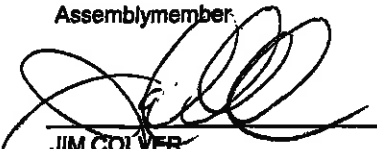
Absent

MARK EWING
Assemblymember


CINDY BETTINE
Assemblymember

Absent

VERN HALTER
Assemblymember


JIM COLVER
Assemblymember

ATTEST:


LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMO, Borough Clerk