

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on December 6, 2005, at the Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. by Mayor Timothy L. Anderson.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Assembly members present and establishing a quorum were:

Ms. Lynne Woods, Assembly District No. 1  
Mr. Bill Allen, Assembly District No. 2  
Mr. Talis J. Colberg, Assembly District No. 3  
Ms. Mary Kvalheim, Assembly District No. 4  
Ms. Cindy L. Bettine, Assembly District No. 5  
Mr. Jim Colver, Assembly District No. 6 (*Deputy Mayor*) (*arrived at 7:07 p.m.*)  
Ms. Betty Vehrs, Assembly District No. 7

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Michelle M. McGehee, CMC, Borough Clerk  
Mr. John Duffy, Borough Manager  
Ms. Teresa S. Williams, Borough Attorney  
Ms. Janice A. Case, Deputy Borough Clerk  
Ms. Marian Romano, Assistant Borough Manager  
Ms. Tammy Clayton, Finance Director  
Mr. Keith Rountree, Public Works Director  
Mr. Dennis Brodigan, Emergency Services Director  
Mr. Ron Swanson, Community Development Director  
Mr. Murph O'Brien, Planning and Land Use Director  
Ms. Patty Sullivan, Public Affairs Officer  
Mr. Dave Hanson, Economic Development Director

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Anderson noted that administration has requested that AM No. 05-221 be pulled from the agenda.

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

**IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Cheryl Metiva, a member of the audience.

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

### **A. Regular Assembly Meeting: 11/15/05**

Mayor Anderson inquired if there were any corrections to the regular meeting minutes of November 15, 2005.

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

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

### **A. Proclamation in Recognition of Matanuska-Susitna Borough Recycle Day**

Mayor Anderson presented a proclamation to Ms. Mollie Boyer in recognition of Matanuska-Susitna Borough Recycle Day.

Ms. Boyer:

- thanked the Borough for declaring December 21 of each year as Matanuska-Susitna Borough Recycle Day;
- stated that it is the community that makes this possible; and
- noted that the Borough is a leader in acknowledging recycling in Alaska.

## **VII. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE**

### **A. AGENCY REPORTS**

#### **1. Reports from cities**

##### Wasilla City

Councilmember Marty Metiva:

- noted that the cities of Wasilla, Palmer, and Houston have been holding tri-city meetings on a regular basis;
- invited the members of the Assembly to attend the joint meetings; and
- stated that he will forward a copy of the joint meeting schedule to the Assembly.

#### **2. Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District**

Ms. Sarah Welton, School Board President:

- reported that the School Board has begun the annual budget process;
- stated that the initial budget for fiscal year 2007 has been posted to the School District's website;
- noted that the district is planning for 580 new students next year, which is a conservative increase;
- stated that the School Board did agree to base the student allocation on the Governor's proposal for a base student allocation of \$5,347;

- noted that the School Board also agreed that they will not be asking for an increase in the fiscal year 2007 budget from the Borough;
- reviewed the number of fiscal challenges, such as the mandatory increase in Public Employee Retirement System/Teacher Retirement System (PERS/TRS);
- stated that nearly 400 students had an opportunity to attend nine different sessions to learn about beadwork, soap carving, Yupik dance, and Inupiat storytelling at the Houston Middle School for Native Culture Week;
- noted that an active Parent Advisory Council has been formed and is operating with great success;
- stated that the Association for Career and Technical Education named Bob Doyle as its 2005 Administrator of the Year for his support of vocational education programs in the Borough's School District and the State; and
- noted that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District's vocational programs are recognized as the best in the State and among the finest in the nation.

Assemblymember Vehrs inquired if the vocational school would be boundary exempt.

School Board President Welton affirmed that the vocational school would be boundary exempt.

Assemblymember Kvalheim inquired if the School Board has explored implementing a year-round school or school shifting.

School Board President:

- replied that the School District has explored these options, but is not ready for either; and
  - discussed the costs and challenges associated with year-round school and shifting.
3. Mat-Su Convention and Visitors Bureau Re: Northern Lights Award Presentation – Mr. Dan McDonough

Mr. Dan McDonough, President of the Mat-Su Convention and Visitors Bureau Board:

- presented the Borough with the Northern Lights Award;
  - commended the Borough for all of their efforts in endorsing tourism such as: the start of a visitor information center in Houston, the continued success and improvements of the Big Lake triathlon, the ongoing success of Colony Days and Friday Flings in Palmer, the Mystery Train, and Iditarod Days in Wasilla; and
  - discussed the Borough's efforts with the South Denali Visitors Center project, the Hatcher Pass nordic ski trail system, and the growth of the trails program.
4. CCS Early Learning Re: Programs and Services – Mr. Mark Lackey

Mr. Mark Lackey, Executive Director:

- reviewed the history of CCS Early Learning;
- stated that the core purpose of CCS Early Learning is improving children's lives;
- stated that their mission statement is, "Making a difference in the lives and families of young children within our communities;"

- noted that the two main goals of head start are social competence and school readiness;
- commented that CCS Early Learning Centers are State-licensed and nationally accredited;
- stated that more than 275, or 80 percent of children and families served, are from the Matanuska-Susitna Borough;
- stated that 80 percent of their workforce reside in the Matanuska-Susitna Borough and the majority of their \$3 million budget is spent in the Borough;
- noted that they have a policy council comprised of parent to ensure that the needs of the children are being met; and
- reviewed the funding sources for CCS Early Learning Centers.

5. Valley Community for Recycling Solutions – Ms. Mollie Boyer, Executive Director

Ms. Mollie Boyer:

- thanked the Borough for acknowledging the value of their service;
- reviewed the accomplishments of the past year;
- stated that they were fortunate to receive several large grants, which allowed them to purchase needed equipment such as a horizontal bailer, loader, and portable building;
- noted that larger companies such as the Frontiersman and Alaska Premium Food Source are now using their facility to recycle;
- stated that some of their goals are to increase the large waste generating businesses and campaign to promote more community use;
- stated that they will be adding two more hours of operation in January; and
- noted that they are looking for funding partners for a permanent facility.

Assemblymember Allen:

- applauded the efforts of her and the Valley Center for Recycling Solutions; and
- inquired regarding their bottom line of revenue versus expenses.

Ms. Boyer stated that she will send the Assembly a copy of the full report, which includes the profit and losses.

Assemblymember Vehrs inquired if a permanent site would be where the Valley Center for Recycling Solutions is currently located.

Ms. Boyer stated that they are looking at land west of the Animal Shelter for the permanent location.

## B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

### 1. Joint Assembly/School Board Committee on School Issues

*(See pp. 14 of 29)*

## 2. Regional Transportation Planning Organization

Mayor Anderson advised that the Regional Transportation Planning Organization has not met since the last report.

### C. MANAGER COMMENTS

#### 1. State/Federal Legislation

Mr. Duffy:

- discussed the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority (AIDEA) meeting he recently attended; and
- introduced Patty Sullivan as the new Public Affairs Manager and Dave Hanson as the new Economic Development Director.

### D. ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Ms. Williams:

- reviewed the litigation status report; and
- noted that the hearing for the Fishhead's litigation was postponed to next month.

### E. CLERK COMMENTS

Ms. McGehee:

- reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule;
- stated that she was requested by three members of the Assembly to schedule a joint meeting with the cities;
- noted that the Mayor requested a work session on January 17, 2006, at 3 p.m. for police powers;
- commented that she will be scheduling a work session on December 15, 2005, at 3:30 p.m. for a committee of the whole on the 4-year university;
- stated that she is coordinating with the Growth Company to obtain a facilitator for the retreat;
- referred to the records management report and quasi-judicial report included in the Clerk's report;
- reviewed the Assembly projects: audio upgrade, streaming and paperless packet, in the Clerk's report;
- noted that as of today, the Clerk's Office alone has generated over 700,000 copies on the new copier;
- commented that she would be out of the office December 19 through December 23 and that Deputy Clerk Janice Case would be acting in her absence; and
- noted that the tracking report has been provided.

F. CITIZEN AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

1. MSB Board/Committee Minutes:
  - a. Animal Care and Regulation Board: 09/12/05, 10/10/05, Resolution Serial No. 05-02
  - b. Caswell Lakes Road Service Area No. 15 Board of Supervisors: 10/10/05
  - c. Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board: 08/03/05, 10/05/05
  - d. Enhanced 911 Advisory Board: 09/13/05, 10/11/05
  - e. Greater Butte Road Service Area No. 26 Board of Supervisors: 11/10/05
  - f. Greater Talkeetna Road Service Area No. 29 Board of Supervisors: 04/14/05, 09/08/05
  - g. Knik Road Service Area No. 17 Board of Supervisors: 11/10/05
  - h. Library Board: 09/17/05
  - i. Local Emergency Planning Committee: 09/21/05, 10/19/05
  - j. Local Road Service Area Advisory Board: 11/17/05, Resolution Serial No. 05-02
  - k. Planning Commission: 10/24/05
  - l. Port Commission: 09/19/05
  - m. Talkeetna Sewer and Water Special Service Area No. 36: 09/29/05
  - n. Wasilla-Lakes Fire Service Area No. 130 Board of Supervisors: 09/12/05, 10/10/05
2. Community Council Correspondence:
  - a. Butte Community Council: Resolution
  - b. Chickaloon Community Council: 10/12/05
  - c. Glacier View Community Council: 11/17/05
  - d. Knik/Fairview Community Council: 01/18/05, 02/02/05, 02/16/05, 03/16/05, 03/16/05, 04/20/05, 05/04/05, 05/18/05, 06/15/05, 07/20/05, 08/03/05, 08/17/05, 09/21/05, 10/19/05, 11/02/05
  - e. Lazy Mountain Community Council: 10/13/05
  - f. North Lakes Community Council: 11/17/05, Resolution (2)
  - g. Sutton Community Council: 10/11/05
  - h. Talkeetna Community Council: 05/02/05, 06/23/05, 07/05/05, 09/06/05, 09/12/05
  - i. Trapper Creek Community Council: 10/20/05
  - j. Willow Area Community Organization: 11/07/05

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

G. INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUMS

1. IM No. 05-279: AN INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM REGARDING THE HOUSTON SEPTAGE FACILITY EXCAVATION AND UPGRADE FOR INCREASED SAND AND CHIP STORAGE FOR KNIK ROAD SERVICE AREA NO. 17, GREATER WILLOW ROAD SERVICE AREA NO. 20, BIG LAKE ROAD SERVICE AREA NO. 21, AND MEADOW LAKES ROAD SERVICE AREA NO. 27.
2. IM No. 05-303: AN INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM REGARDING THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN AND AROUND THE DESHKA TOWNSITE SUBDIVISION INTO THE WILLOW FIRE SERVICE AREA NO. 35.

The informational memorandums were presented and no comments were noted.

*(The regular meeting recessed at 6:56 p.m. and reconvened at 7:07 p.m.)*

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

A. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (Three minutes per person.)

*(There were no persons to be heard.)*

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS (Three minutes per person.)

1. Ordinance Serial No. 05-172: AN ORDINANCE CREATING NORTH FLYING CIRCUS CIRCLE ROAD PAVING LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 413, APPROVING THE IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR THE DISTRICT, AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO PROCEED WITH THE IMPROVEMENT, AND ASSESSING EQUALLY AMONG THE PROPERTIES WITHIN THE DISTRICT THE COSTS OF THE IMPROVEMENT.
  - a. IM No. 05-261

Ms. Clayton stated that 78 percent of the ballots were returned in favor and recommended adoption of Ordinance Serial No. 05-172.

*(Assemblymember Colver arrived at 7:07 p.m.)*

Mayor Anderson opened the public hearing.

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

MOTION: Assemblymember Colver moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-172.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

2. Ordinance Serial No. 05-173: AN ORDINANCE CREATING ASPEN STREET ROAD PAVING LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 414, APPROVING THE IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR THE DISTRICT, AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO PROCEED WITH THE IMPROVEMENT, AND ASSESSING EQUALLY AMONG THE PROPERTIES WITHIN THE DISTRICT THE COSTS OF THE IMPROVEMENT.
  - a. IM No. 05-262

Ms. Clayton stated that 59 percent of the ballots were returned in favor and recommended adoption of Ordinance Serial No. 05-173.

Mayor Anderson opened the public hearing.

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

MOTION: Assemblymember Colberg moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-173.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

3. Ordinance Serial No. 05-191: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 15.24.030(B)(4), CITY OF WASILLA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, TO INCLUDE THE CITY OF WASILLA HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN (PHASE I – NATURAL HAZARDS).
  - a. IM No. 05-274

Mr. O'Brien provided a staff report.

Mayor Anderson opened the public hearing.

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

MOTION: Assemblymember Kvalheim moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-191.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

4. Ordinance Serial No. 05-193: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 1.50, ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS.
  - a. IM No. 05-283

Mr. Duffy provided a staff report.

Mayor Anderson opened the public hearing.

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

MOTION: Assemblymember Colver moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-193.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

C. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Three minutes per person.)

The following person spoke to the old version of code, which allowed the public to speak to resolutions and still allow the Assembly to address the consent agenda before 7 p.m.: Ms. Jean Woods.

The following person clarified that the School Board has not taken the possibility of a year-round school off the table: School Board Member Cheryl Turner.

D. CONSENT AGENDA (Resolution Serial Nos. 05-149, 05-150 and 05-151, 05-152 and AM Nos. 05-215 were pulled from the consent agenda and addressed separately. *See pp. 10-21 of 29*)

1. RESOLUTIONS

a. Resolution Serial No. 05-147: A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE APPOINTMENT OF ASSEMBLYMEMBER WOODS TO THE FEDERAL-STATE FLOODPLAIN AND EROSION MITIGATION COMMISSION FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA.

(1) IM No. 05-284

b. Resolution Serial No. 05-148: A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE KNIK ROAD SERVICE AREA ROAD IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.

(1) IM No. 05-287

g. Resolution Serial No. 05-153: A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE SCOPE OF WORK FOR PROJECT NO. 45131, FUND 480, FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE SPRUCE BARK BEETLE WILDFIRE HAZARD MITIGATION PROJECT.

(1) IM No. 05-304

(2) AM No. 05-223: APPROVAL OF THE GEOGRAPHICAL HAZARD MITIGATION SPECIALIST PROJECT POSITION THROUGH JUNE 30, 2007.

2. ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUMS

a. AM No. 05-190: APPROVAL OF FUNDING FOR THE PORT PROJECT MANAGER TO INCLUDE PORT CONSTRUCTION RELATED TO FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION GRANTS, POINT MACKENZIE ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS, AND BUILDING RENOVATION AND RENEWAL PROJECTS.

c. AM No. 05-216: THE VACATION OF A 50 FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT (WEST LYNX LAIR DRIVE) ON THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF TAX PARCEL A16, LOCATED IN THE SOUTHWEST ¼ NORTHEAST ¼, SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST, SEWARD MERIDIAN, ALASKA, LOCATED IN THE KNIK-FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY COUNCIL AREA.

d. AM No. 05-217: AWARD OF BID NO. 06-077 TO NYE FRONTIER FORD, INC. IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$37,274 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A VEHICLE FOR THE OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS.

- e. AM No. 05-218: AUTHORIZATION TO DESTROY THE OFFICIAL BALLOTS FOR THE OCTOBER 4, 2005, REGULAR BOROUGH ELECTION.
- f. AM No. 05-219: ACCEPTANCE OF A LATE FILED AND RETROACTIVE DISABLED VETERAN AND SENIOR CITIZEN EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS FOR TAX YEAR 2005.
- g. AM No. 05-220: AWARD OF PROPOSAL NO. 06-051 TO HDR ALASKA, INC., FOR THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$134,496 TO PERFORM A STORM WATER AND WASTE WATER ANALYSIS.
- h. AM No. 05-221: AWARD OF PROPOSAL NO. 06-030 TO TRYCK NYMAN HAYES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$469,955 FOR THE POINT MACKENZIE AND ANCHORAGE FERRY LANDING DESIGNS.<sup>1</sup>
- i. AM No. 05-222: AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE ONE SOLID WASTE TRANSFER TRAILER FROM YUKON EQUIPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$79,823.
- j. AM No. 05-224: AWARD OF PROPOSAL NO. 06-068 TO COMBS INSURANCE AGENCY, INC., FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE BOROUGH'S ON-CALL RESPONDER INSURANCE PROGRAM

Ms. McGehee read the above legislation into the record.

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

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

- c. Resolution Serial No. 05-149: A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOROUGH REGARDING THE NEED, MANNER, AND COST OF ESTABLISHING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. (*Sponsor: Mayor Anderson*)

(1) IM No. 05-289

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen moved to adopt Resolution Serial No. 05-149.

Assemblymember Allen:

- stated that economic development has been a topic of discussion for the Assembly since he has been serving;
- spoke to hiring an Economic Development Director;
- discussed the need for polices and guidelines for economic development;
- opined that Resolution Serial No. 05-149 only provides "lip service" to a much needed requirement for the Borough; and

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<sup>1</sup> AM No. 05-221 was removed from the agenda.

- reiterated the need for the Assembly to set policies and guidelines for economic development.

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen moved to postpone Resolution Serial No. 05-149 to the January 17, 2006, regular Assembly meeting.

Assemblymember Colver spoke in support of Resolution Serial No. 05-149.

Assemblymember Vehrs spoke in opposition to postponing Resolution Serial No. 05-149.

Discussion ensued regarding postponing Resolution Serial No. 05-149.

VOTE: The motion to postpone failed with Assemblymembers Woods and Allen in support.

Assemblymember Kvalheim:

- asked Mayor Anderson if he is ready to move names forward for the vacancies; and
- inquired if the Board had a deadline for completing their work.

Mayor Anderson:

- replied that he would begin moving names forward at the January 3, 2006, regular Assembly meeting;
- explained the intent of the task force;
- commented that the task force would be looking to establish something similar to the economic development corporation set up by Anchorage; and
- noted that they would have a deadline of one year to complete their work.

Assemblymember Allen:

- stated that there are two economic development corporations that have been established were started by the private sector;
- stated that the task force is a temporary solution; and
- reiterated the need for policies, guidelines, and direction.

Assemblymember Colberg stated that economic development does not traditionally come from government.

Assemblymember Bettine inquired regarding the makeup of the task force.

Mayor Anderson replied that the task force would consist of members from the private sector and people who have worked on similar boards in other communities.

Discussion continued regarding Resolution Serial No. 05-149.

VOTE: The main motion passed with Assemblymembers Woods, Allen, and Colberg in opposition.

d. Resolution Serial No. 05-150: A RESOLUTION APPROVING FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AND CAPITAL PRIORITIES FOR THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH FOR THE YEAR 2006.

(1) IM No. 05-291

MOTION: Assemblymember Colver moved to adopt Resolution Serial No. 05-150.

MOTION: Assemblymember Colver moved to amend Resolution Serial No. 05-150 by substitute Resolution Serial No. 05-150(SUB)<sup>2</sup>.

Assemblymember Colver spoke in support of the substitute legislation and explained the changes.

Mayor Anderson inquired if there were any amendments to Resolution Serial No. 05-150.

There were no amendments noted.

Mayor Anderson inquired if there were any amendments to Resolution Serial No. 05-150(SUB).

MOTION: Assemblymember Colberg moved a secondary amendment to move item 4, funding of roads and trails, to item 1 and to renumber accordingly.

Assemblymember Colberg opined that roads and trails would be a higher priority for most residents.

Assemblymember Colver:

- noted that the Borough is on the verge of making the Hatcher Pass project a reality; and
- stated that Hatcher Pass is supposed to be the Assembly's number one economic development priority.

Discussion ensued regarding the secondary amendment.

VOTE: The secondary amendment passed with Assemblymembers Colver and Vehrs in opposition.

Assemblymember Bettine:

- noted that the South Denali Visitors Center is not on the substitute list;
- spoke to this item being on the federal priority list.

Assemblymember Colver:

- stated that this item has been on the priority list for several years without any action being taken; and
- noted that it is also on the priority list for other organizations.

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<sup>2</sup> Resolution Serial No. 05-151(SUB) was introduced as Resolution Serial No. 05-151(SUB-1) but changed to Resolution Serial No. 05-151(SUB) for historical purposes.

Mr. Duffy:

- noted that the environmental impact study (EIS) has almost been completed;
- stated that a resolution will be brought forward in January asking the Assembly to take a position on the alternatives; and
- commented that the National Park Service will ask for funding in the next budget.

MOTION: Assemblymember Bettine moved a secondary amendment to add South Denali Visitors Center as item 5 to the list and to renumber accordingly.

VOTE: The motion passed with Assemblymember Allen in opposition.

Assemblymember Allen inquired regarding the methamphetamine grants for law enforcement, prosecution, education, and treatment being on the list.

Assemblymember Colver spoke to the importance of this item being on the list to emphasize the problems the Borough is having with methamphetamines.

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen moved a secondary amendment to strike “Methamphetamine grants for law enforcement, prosecution, education, and treatment.”

Assemblymember Kvalheim spoke in opposition to removing this item from the priority list.

Mayor Anderson stated that the Congressional Delegation has to be informed of this growing problem.

Discussion ensued regarding the secondary amendment.

VOTE: The secondary amendment failed with Assemblymembers Allen and Bettine in support.

MOTION: Assemblymember Vehrs moved the previous question (stop debate).

VOTE: The motion to stop debate passed without objection.

VOTE: The motion to amend by substitute passed as amended without objection.

VOTE: The main motion as amended by substitute passed without objection.

MOTION: Assemblymember Colberg moved to reconsider Resolution Serial No. 05-150(SUB).

VOTE: The motion to reconsider failed unanimously.

MOTION: Assemblymember Vehrs moved to reconsider Resolution Serial No. 05-149.

VOTE: The motion to reconsider failed with Assemblymember Colberg in support.

MOTION: Assemblymember Colver moved a primary amendment to amend IM No. 05-291 by striking items 4, 6, 8, and 9 to renumber the items accordingly to match Resolution Serial No. 05-150(SUB) and to:

Item 5 (*item 1 after amendment*)

Strike “Funding of Substandard Roads” and to insert “Funding of roads and trails.”

Item 7

*Methamphetamine grants for law enforcement, education, and treatment.* Methamphetamine abuse in the Valley is rampant. The highest percentage and growth of meth labs occurs in the Borough, children in the homes of meth users and meth cooks are at risk. The following action is requested to defeat the existing meth problems in the Borough:

- Increase efforts and funding for law enforcement, prosecution, and incarceration.
- Funding for methamphetamine prevention through education programs, such as Methwatch.
- Funding for the treatment of methamphetamine addictions, including for inmates to stem re-offenders.

VOTE: The primary amendment passed without objection.

*(The regular meeting recessed at 8:33 p.m. and reconvened at 8:48 p.m.)*

Mayor Anderson inquired if there was any objection to going back to the Joint Assembly/School Board Committee on School Issues report at this time.

There was no objection noted.

1. Joint Assembly/School Board Committee on School Issues

Assemblymember Colver:

- stated that the budget problems and shortfalls were discussed at the last meeting;
- noted that the Governor’s proposed additional contribution to the funding formula would decrease the shortfall significantly;
- stated that alternatives such as outsourcing janitorial services, nutritional services, and closing the administrative offices for one month in the summer have been discussed to assist with the shortfall;
- commented that on the positive side, over the past few years the School District has been able to reduce the average class size to 26 to 1;

- noted that bonding for Su Valley High School was discussed;
  - stated that the School Board did vote 4 to 3 to request the same level of funding from the Borough as last year;
  - commented that \$0.80 of every \$1 for the School District is funded by the Borough;
  - discussing a joint resolution for priorities in order to be consistent when visiting the State Legislative Delegation; and
  - noted that the new representatives for the School District are Sarah Welton and Larry DeVilbiss.
- e. Resolution Serial No. 05-151: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH FOR THE YEAR 2006.
- (1) IM No. 05-292

MOTION: Assemblymember Colver moved to adopt Resolution Serial No. 05-151.

MOTION: Assemblymember Colver moved to amend Resolution Serial No. 05-151 by substitute Resolution Serial No. 05-151(SUB-1).

Mayor Anderson inquired if there were any amendments to Resolution Serial No. 05-151.

There were no amendments noted.

Mayor Anderson inquired if there were any amendments to Resolution Serial No. 05-151(SUB-1).

Assemblymember Allen inquired regarding the joint resolution for priorities discussed by Assemblymember Colver and how it relates to this legislation.

Assemblymember Colver:

- explained the changes made to the substitute legislation; and
- stated that a joint Assembly/School Board resolution on State legislative priorities is on the agenda for the December 15, 2005, joint Assembly/School Board meeting.

Assemblymember Colberg spoke in opposition to the substitute resolution.

Discussion ensued regarding the substitute legislation.

Assemblymember Bettine requested that each item on the original legislation be addressed one at a time.

MOTION: Assemblymember Woods moved the previous question (stop debate).

VOTE: There motion to stop debate passed without objection.

VOTE: The motion to amend by substitute failed unanimously.

MOTION: Assemblymember Colberg moved to postpone Resolution Serial No. 05-151 to January 3, 2005, after the joint Assembly/School Board meeting and then to make any adjustments.

MOTION: Assemblymember Vehrs moved to amend the date of postponement to December 15, 2005, and to call a special meeting of the Assembly at 9 p.m.

*(The regular meeting recessed at 9:16 p.m. and reconvened at 9:28 p.m.)*

Mayor Anderson stated that if Resolution Serial No. 05-151 was postponed to December 15, 2005, the Assembly would need to hold a special meeting after the joint Assembly/School Board meeting to act on this item.

Assemblymember Colberg spoke to addressing any changes to Resolution Serial No. 05-151 today and then making any necessary adjustments after the Assembly met with the School Board on December 15, 2005.

Mayor Anderson:

- noted that when the State Lobbyist refers to “being on the same page” he is referring to Su Valley High School; and
- advised that the School Board also issues a priority list that they submit to the Legislature.

WITHDRAW: Assemblymember Vehrs withdrew her motion to amend the date to December 15, 2005, and to call a special meeting of the Assembly at 9 p.m.

WITHDRAW: Assemblymember Colberg withdrew his motion to postpone Resolution Serial No. 05-151 to January 3, 2005, after the joint Assembly/School Board meeting and then to make any adjustments.

Mayor Anderson stated that he would go through the priority list one item at a time for discussion purposes.

Item 1 – Full Funding of a New Su-Valley High School

This item was noted as a capital project and no changes were made.

Item 2 – Full Funding and Inflation Proofing of School Operating Assistance

Assemblymember Colver spoke in opposition to this item remaining on the priority list.

This item was noted as an operating budget item and no changes were made.

Item 3 – Full Funding of the Teachers and Public Employee Retirement Shortfall

This item was noted as an operating budget item and no changes were made.

Item 4 – Re-Authorization of the School Construction Debt Reimbursement Program

There were no changes made to this item and the project was noted as an “other” category priority.

Item 5 – Hatcher Pass Road and Infrastructure Improvements

This item was noted as a capital project no changes were made.

Item 6 – Hatcher Pass Land Transfer

There were no changes made to this item and the project was noted as an “other” category priority.

Item 7 – Full Funding of Pupil Transportation Assistance

This item was noted as an operating budget item and no changes were made.

Item 8 – Full Funding of the Alaska State Department of Transportation and Public Facilities Operations and Maintenance Budget

MOTION: Assemblymember Kvalheim moved a primary amendment to strike “full” and insert “increased.”

VOTE: The primary amendment passed without objection.

This item was noted as an operating budget item.

Item 9 – Re-Authorization of the Safe Communities and Revenue Sharing Programs

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen moved a primary amendment to strike, “Re-authorization of the safe communities and revenue sharing programs” and to insert “Property tax relief in the form of municipal assistance/revenue sharing/community dividends.”

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

This item was noted as an operating budget item.

Item 10 – Installation of Highway Illumination Along the Glenn Highway from the Knik River Bridge to Eagle River

MOTION: Assemblymember Vehrs moved a primary amendment to remove item 10 from the priority list.

VOTE: The motion passed with Assemblymember Colberg in opposition.

Item 11 – Full Funding of Mandated Senior Citizen and Disabled Veterans Tax Exemption Programs

This item was noted as an operating budget item and no changes were made.

Item 12 – Support of the Borough’s Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

MOTION: Assemblymember Colver moved a primary amendment to strike “Support of the Borough’s Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)” and to insert “Restoration of the \$50 million to the STIP for projects within the Borough.”

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

This item was noted as a capital project item.

Item 13 – Expansion of Correctional Facilities within the Borough

There were no changes made to this item and the project was noted as an “other” category priority.

Item 14 – Matanuska River erosion management

This item was noted as a capital project item and no changes were made.

Item 15 – Increased Response to Community Threats Posed by Meth Labs

MOTION: Assemblymember Colver moved a primary amendment to strike “Increased response to community threats posed by meth labs” and to insert “Methamphetamine abuse, treatment, law enforcement, prosecution, and education.”

Assemblymember Allen spoke in opposition to the amendment.

Assemblymember Colver spoke in support of the primary amendment.

VOTE: The motion failed with Assemblymembers Kvalheim, Colver, and Vehrs in support.

Item 16 – Expansion of Residential Treatment Centers within the Borough

Mr. Duffy explained the current status of this item and stated that it is still very relevant.

There were no changes made to this item and the project was noted as an “other” category priority.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kvalheim moved to separate the list into three categories: operational budget, capital projects, and additional item and to insert the following paragraphs before subject:

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly hereby sets the following state legislative operating budget priorities to provide property tax relief for the residents of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly hereby sets the following capital project state legislative priorities for the Matanuska-Susitna Borough for the year 2006:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly hereby sets the following additional state legislative priorities for the Matanuska-Susitna Borough for the year 2006:”

VOTE: The primary amendment passed without objection.

MOTION: Assemblymember Bettine moved a primary amendment to place “Property tax relief in the form of municipal assistance/revenue sharing/community dividends” as item 1 and “Full funding of mandated Senior Citizen and Disabled Veterans tax exemption programs” as item 2 and to renumber accordingly.

VOTE: The primary amendment passed without objection.

VOTE: The main motion passed as amended without objection.

MOTION: Assemblymember Colver moved a primary amendment to amend IM No. 05-292 by striking item 10 and renumbering the items accordingly to match Resolution Serial No. 05-151 and to:

*Item 5 (item 2 of capital projects after amendment)*

In the last sentence insert, “is a component of the Hatcher Pass ski area and development in progress and” after “the project” to read, “In addition, the project is a component of the Hatcher Pass ski area and development in progress and will create a new tourism and recreation destination and increase economic opportunities in the Borough.”

Item 8 (*item 6 of operating budget after amendment*)

To strike “full” and insert “increased” to read, “Increased funding of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities operations and maintenance budget.”

Item 9 (*item 1 of operating budget after amendment*)

To strike “Re-authorization of the safe communities and revenue sharing programs” and to insert “Property tax relief in the form of municipal assistance/revenue sharing/community dividends.”

Item 12 (*item 3 of capital projects after amendment*)

To strike “Support of the Borough’s Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)” and to insert “Restoration of the \$50 million to the STIP for projects within the Borough.”

Item 15 (*item 4 of additional items after amendment*)

To strike the entire paragraph and insert:

*Methamphetamine abuse, treatment, law enforcement, prosecution, and education.* Methamphetamine abuse in the Valley is rampant. The highest percentage and growth of meth labs occurs in the Borough, children in the homes of meth users and meth cooks are at risk. The following action is requested to defeat the existing meth problems in the Borough:

- Limit purchase of methamphetamine precursor drugs to 3 grams or less.
- Increase efforts and funding for law enforcement, prosecution, and incarceration.
- Funding for methamphetamine prevention through education programs, such as Methwatch.
- Funding for the treatment of methamphetamine addictions, including for inmates to stem re-offenders.
- Provide for child protection for children at risk due to methamphetamines.

VOTE: The primary amendment passed without objection.

- f. Resolution Serial No. 05-152: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR A FEDERAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT FROM THE STATE OF ALASKA FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING A SURVEY AND NOMINATION OF THE MATANUSKA AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENTAL FARM ON TRUNK ROAD AND RESEARCH CENTER IN PALMER TO THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES AS TWO SEPARATE HISTORIC DISTRICTS.

- (1) IM No. 05-293

MOTION: Assemblymember Woods moved to adopt Resolution Serial No. 05-152.

Assemblymember Woods stated that she has received a letter from University of Alaska objecting to Resolution Serial No. 05-152.

Mr. Duffy:

- stated that the Borough has spoken with the University of Alaska; and
- reported that there are two different opinions at the University level.

Mr. O'Brien:

- noted that there is a land manager for campuses and another land manager for other land owned by the University; and
- explained the purpose of the grant.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Assemblymember Colver declared a conflict of interest on Resolution Serial No. 05-152.

RULING: Mayor Anderson declared that Assemblymember Colver had a conflict of interest and would be recused from voting.

*(Assemblymember Colver exited the meeting at this time.)*

MOTION: Assemblymember Allen moved to postpone Resolution Serial No. 05-152 to the January 3, 2006, regular Assembly meeting.

Assemblymember Vehrs spoke in support of postponing the legislation.

VOTE: The motion to postpone passed without objection.

*(Assemblymember Colver returned to the meeting at this time.)*

- b. AM No. 05-215: AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE KNIK ARM BRIDGE AND TOLL AUTHORITY AND THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES TO FORMALIZE THE NEAR TERM AND LONG TERM UPGRADE OF POINT MACKENZIE ROAD AND THE PORT ACCESS ROAD AND TO DEFINE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATING RESPONSIBILITIES.

MOTION: Assemblymember Woods moved to approve AM No. 05-215.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. AM No. 05-189: AWARD OF BID NO. 06-046 TO LAST FRONTIER TREE CARE LLC., IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$43,709.97 FOR THE BURNT BUTTE FIRE MITIGATION PROJECT. (*Motion Pending: 10/18/05*)

MOTION PENDING: Assemblymember Woods moved to approve AM No. 05-189.

Ms. Romano:

- requested that the Assembly postpone the legislation;
- stated that Butte Community Council has passed a resolution requesting changes to the contract;
- noted that the proposed changes are vastly different;
- commented that the Land Management Division, Emergency Services Department, and the contract forester will be meeting on December 7, 2005, to see what options they may be able to provide; and
- stated that they would be meeting with the Butte Community Council on December 15, 2005, to discuss the options available.

MOTION: Assemblymember Woods moved to postpone AM No. 05-189 to January 3, 2006.

VOTE: The motion to postpone passed without objection.

- B. Ordinance Serial No. 05-140: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING MSB 3.15.045, HARDSHIP TAX EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS. (*Sponsors: Assemblymembers Allen, Kvalheim, and Woods*) (*Motion Pending: 10/18/05*)

1. IM No. 05-129

MOTION PENDING: Assemblymember Allen moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-140.

MOTION PENDING: Assemblymember Colver moved to amend section (A)(4), by striking \$750,000 and inserting \$350,000, to read as follows: The total assets owned by the applicant on the date of application may not exceed \$350,000 including the first \$150,000 of the market value of the principle residents of the applicant for which the hardship tax exemption is requested.

Mr. Duffy requested that Ordinance Serial No. 05-140 and Ordinance Serial No. 05-160, Resolution Serial No. 05-120, and AM No. 05-159 be postponed until the February 7, 2006, regular Assembly meeting.

MOTION: Assemblymember Kvalheim moved to postpone Ordinance Serial No. 05-140 until the February 7, 2006, regular Assembly meeting.

VOTE: The motion to postpone to a time certain of February 7, 2006, passed without objection.

C. Ordinance Serial No. 05-160: AN ORDINANCE REAPPROPRIATING \$432,000 OUT OF THE RESERVE FOR MAJOR REPAIR AND RENOVATION, FUND 100, TO FUND 400, SCHOOL DISTRICT PORTABLE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDRESSING THE EMERGENCY SITUATION AT SUSITNA VALLEY SCHOOL. (*Sponsors: Mayor Anderson and Assemblymembers Colver and Vehrs*) (*Motion Pending: 10/18/05*)

1. Resolution Serial No. 05-120: A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE SCOPE OF WORK FOR PROJECT NO. 40158, FOR THE SUSITNA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL, TO ALLOW CONSTRUCTION OF PORTABLE FACILITIES.

a. IM No. 05-241

b. IM No. 05-247

c. AM No. 05-159: AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF UP TO SIX PORTABLE CLASSROOM UNITS FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$482,000 TO PROVIDE HOUSING FOR STUDENTS DISPLACED BY THE UNSAFE CONDITIONS AT SU-VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL.

MOTION PENDING: Assemblymember Vehrs moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-160 and Resolution Serial No. 05-120.

MOTION: Assemblymember Vehrs moved to postpone Ordinance Serial No. 05-160, Resolution Serial No. 05-120, and AM No. 05-159 until the February 7, 2006, regular Assembly meeting.

VOTE: The motion to postpone to a time certain of February 7, 2006, passed without objection.

D. Ordinance Serial No. 05-175: AN ORDINANCE TO CLASSIFY LEASE LOT 1 AND TRACT A-1, REPLAT AND VACATION PLAT OF 74-22 AND 60-7, PLAT 80-138 (WASILLA JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL SUBDIVISION), RESERVE USE LANDS AND TO AUTHORIZE AT LESS THAN FAIR MARKET VALUE THE LEASE OF 1.2 PLUS ACRES OF TRACT A-1 AND LEASE LOT 1 FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS UNTIL PLATTED TOGETHER, TO THEN BE CONVEYED TO THE CITY OF WASILLA FOR THE PUBLIC PURPOSE OF WATER UTILITIES, BEING LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF WASILLA (MSB003864 AND MSB001034).

1. Resolution Serial No. 05-133: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BEST INTEREST FINDING FOR 1.2 PLUS ACRES OF TRACT A-1 AND LEASE LOT 1, REPLAT AND VACATION PLAT OF 74-22 AND 60-7, ACCORDING TO PLAT 80-138, (WASILLA JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL SUBDIVISION), TO BE LEASED FOR TWO YEARS AT LESS THAN FAIR MARKET VALUE, TO BE COMBINED BY PLAT AND SOLD AT LESS THAN FAIR MARKET VALUE TO THE CITY OF WASILLA FOR THE PUBLIC PURPOSE OF WATER UTILITIES, ALL BEING WITHIN THE CITY OF WASILLA (MSB003864 AND MSB001034). (*Motion Pending: 11/01/05*)

- a. IM No. 05-250
- b. IM No. 05-288

MOTION PENDING: Assemblymember Kvalheim moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-175 and Resolution Serial No. 05-133.

Mr. Swanson referred to IM No. 05-288 which addresses the concerns raised at the November 1, 2005, regular meeting.

VOTE: The main motion passed without objection.

## **X. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. INTRODUCTION (For public hearing - 01/03/06, 7 p.m., Borough Assembly Chambers)
  - 1. Ordinance Serial No. 06-001: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 15.24.030(B)(1), TO ADOPT THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH COMPREHENSIVE PLAN – 2005 UPDATE.
    - a. IM No. 06-004
  - 2. Ordinance Serial No. 06-002: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING A \$7,500 ALASKA STATE DIVISION OF FORESTRY VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSISTANCE GRANT AND REQUESTING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$7,500 FROM THE BUTTE FIRE SERVICE AREA FUND BALANCE, FUND 251, TO PROJECT NO. 20144, FUND 405, FOR FIRE AND COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES.
    - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-001: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR THE ALASKA STATE DIVISION OF FORESTRY VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSISTANCE GRANT AND MATCHING FUNDS FOR BUTTE FIRE SERVICE AREA, PROJECT NO. 20144, FUND 405.
      - (1) IM No. 06-005
  - 3. Ordinance Serial No. 06-003: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING A \$4,830 ALASKA STATE DIVISION OF FORESTRY VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSISTANCE GRANT AND REQUESTING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$4,830 FROM THE SUTTON FIRE SERVICE AREA FUND BALANCE, FUND 253, TO PROJECT NO. 20255, FUND 405, FOR COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES.
    - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-002: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR THE ALASKA STATE DIVISION OF FORESTRY VOLUNTEER FIRE SERVICE ASSISTANCE GRANT AND MATCHING FUNDS FOR SUTTON FIRE SERVICE AREA, PROJECT NO. 20255, FUND 405.
      - (1) IM No. 06-006

4. Ordinance Serial No. 06-004: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING A \$7,500 ALASKA STATE DIVISION OF FORESTRY VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSISTANCE GRANT AND REQUESTING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$7,500 FROM THE BIG LAKE FIRE SERVICE AREA FUND BALANCE, FUND 256, TO PROJECT NO. 20277, FUND 405, FOR PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES.
  - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-003: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR THE ALASKA STATE DIVISION OF FORESTRY VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSISTANCE GRANT FOR BIG LAKE FIRE SERVICE AREA, PROJECT NO. 20277, FUND 405.
    - (1) IM No. 06-008
  
5. Ordinance Serial No. 06-005: AN ORDINANCE CLASSIFYING APPROXIMATELY 13,994 ACRES OF LAND WITHIN VARIOUS STATE LEGISLATIVELY DESIGNATED AREAS AS “RESERVED USE/PUBLIC RECREATION LANDS.”
  - a. Ordinance Serial No. 06-007: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN EQUAL VALUE LAND EXCHANGE WITH THE STATE OF ALASKA FOR APPROXIMATELY 13,994 ACRES OF BOROUGH-OWNED LAND WITHIN VARIOUS STATE LEGISLATIVELY DESIGNATED AREAS FOR 12,715 ACRES OF STATE LAND LOCATED THROUGHOUT THE MATANUSKA AND SUSITNA RIVER VALLEYS, AND AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LAND EXCHANGE AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF ALASKA TO EXECUTE THE LAND EXCHANGE.
    - (1) Resolution Serial No. 06-004: A RESOLUTION APPROVING A “BEST INTEREST FINDING” THAT BOROUGH-OWNED LAND WITHIN STATE LEGISLATIVELY DESIGNATED AREAS BE CLASSIFIED “RESERVED USE/PUBLIC RECREATION LANDS,” AND FURTHER FINDING THAT AN EQUAL VALUE LAND EXCHANGE BETWEEN THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH FOR THE LEGISLATIVELY DESIGNATED LAND AND THE STATE OF ALASKA FOR OTHER STATE LAND THROUGHOUT THE MATANUSKA AND SUSITNA RIVER VALLEYS IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE BOROUGH (MSB 004541).
      - (a) IM No. 06-009
  
6. Ordinance Serial No. 06-008: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$40,000 GRANT FUNDS FROM THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TO FUND 425, PROJECT NO. 45191, FOR A MEADOW LAKES MEDIC SUPERVISOR VEHICLE.
  - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-005: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT, PROJECT NO. 45191, FUND 425, FOR A MEADOW LAKES MEDIC SUPERVISOR VEHICLE.
    - (1) IM No. 06-010

7. Ordinance Serial No. 06-009: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$40,000 GRANT FUNDS FROM THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TO FUND 425, PROJECT NO. 45192, TO REPLACE THE MEADOW LAKES RESCUE BOAT, MOTOR, AND TRAILER.
  - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-006: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT, PROJECT NO. 45192, FUND 425, TO REPLACE THE MEADOW LAKES RESCUE BOAT, MOTOR, AND TRAILER.
    - (1) IM No. 06-011
8. Ordinance Serial No. 06-010: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$50,000 GRANT FUNDS FROM THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TO FUND 405, PROJECT NO. 45193, TO REMODEL A PORTION OF THE FIRE TRAINING CENTER AND PURCHASE EQUIPMENT.
  - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-007: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT, PROJECT NO. 45193, FUND 405, TO REMODEL A PORTION OF THE FIRE TRAINING CENTER AND PURCHASE EQUIPMENT.
    - (1) IM No 06-012
9. Ordinance Serial No. 06-011: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$25,000 GRANT FUNDS FROM THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TO FUND 425, PROJECT NO. 45194, FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF RESCUE EQUIPMENT.
  - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-008: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT, PROJECT NO. 45194, FUND 425, FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF RESCUE EQUIPMENT.
    - (1) IM No. 06-013
10. Ordinance Serial No. 06-012: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$75,000 GRANT FUNDS FROM THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TO FUND 425, PROJECT NO. 45194, FOR SEARCH AND RESCUE EQUIPMENT.
  - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-009: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT, PROJECT NO. 45194, FUND 425, FOR SEARCH AND RESCUE EQUIPMENT.
    - (1) IM No. 06-014

Ms. McGehee read the above legislation into the record.

MOTION: Assemblymember Colver moved to introduce the legislation as read into the record by the Clerk and set the public hearings for January 3, 2006.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

B. MAYORAL NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

1. VACANCY REPORT

Mayor Anderson made the following recommendations:

Board of Adjustment and Appeals

Helene Antel

Tara Lachinski

Enhanced 911 Advisory Board

Don Savage

Gina Wheeler

Historical Preservation

Bonnie Allen

Rosetta Alcantra

Human Services Citizen Advisory Committee

Kelly Marre

Library Board

Annie Leach

Anna Lou Levinson

Local Emergency Planning Committee

Cindy Bettine

Timothy Straub

Janice Bates

Nancy Hall

Sarah Sanderlin

Parks, Recreation, and Trails Advisory Board

Lucille McSorley

Kathy Wells

Howell Powder

Sandy Kogl

Edward Strabel

Planning Commission

Dianne Woodruff

Thomas Kluberton

Platting Board

Patrick Johnson

Port Commission

Archie Giddings

Regional Transportation Advisory Board  
Helene Antel  
Meadow Lakes Fire Service Area No. 34  
Rae Arno  
Big Lake Fire Service Area No. 33  
Wes Hamrick  
Wasilla Lakes Fire Service Area No. 130  
Art Scates  
Willow Fire Service Area No. 35  
John Anderson  
Midway Road Service Area No. 9  
N. Roy Goodman  
Talkeetna Sewer and Water Service Area No. 36  
James Kellard

Mayor Anderson requested the following confirmations:

Board of Adjustment and Appeals  
Resignation of Janet Flanders  
Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association  
Resignation of Peter Stortz  
Local Emergency Planning Committee  
Daniel Deedy  
Planning Commission  
Resignation of Faye Palin  
Platting Board  
Resignation of Michelle Church  
Real Property Asset Management Board  
Dulce Ben-East  
Bishop Buckle  
Fairview Road Service Area No. 14  
Daniel Elliott  
Meadow Lakes Road Service Area No. 27  
Byron Akers

MOTION: Assemblymember Colver moved to confirm the Mayor's appointments and resignations up for confirmation this evening.

Assemblymember Woods inquired regarding the Local Emergency Planning Committee appointments.

Mayor Anderson reviewed the appointments to the Local Emergency Planning Committee.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

#### 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 Bettine:

- inquired regarding the effect of selling land if it has been historically designated; and
- recommended using the new Public Affairs Manager to inform the residents of the Borough about the great things we are doing.

Assemblymember Vehrs spoke to the lack of influence the Borough has had with the University of Alaska in the past.

Assemblymember Colver requested that the Clerk place procedures for setback violations on the tracking report.

Mayor Anderson requested a special meeting on December 15, 2005, at 8 p.m. to discuss State legislative priorities.

**XV. ADJOURNMENT**

The regular meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

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TIMOTHY L. ANDERSON, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

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MICHELLE M. MCGEHEE, CMC, Borough Clerk

Minutes approved: 01/03/06