

I. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly was held on February 5, 2015, at the Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 5 p.m. by Deputy Mayor Ronald Arvin for the purpose of discussing the applicants and interview questions regarding filling the Assembly District 6 vacancy.

II. ROLL CALL

Assembly members present and establishing a quorum were:

Mr. Jim Sykes, Assembly District No. 1
Mr. Matthew Beck, Assembly District No. 2
Mr. Ronald Arvin, Assembly District No. 3 (*Deputy Mayor*)
Mr. Steve Colligan, Assembly District No. 4 (*arrived at 5:11 p.m.*)
Mr. Dan Mayfield, Assembly District No. 5
Mr. Vern Halter, Assembly District No. 7

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Lonnie R. McKechnie, Borough Clerk
Mr. John Moosey, Assistant Manager
Mr. Nicholas Spiropoulos, Borough Attorney
Mr. George Hayes, Assistant Borough Manager
Ms. Jamie Newman, Deputy Clerk

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Arvin 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 Mr. Eugene Haberman, a member of the audience.

V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

The following person spoke to the interview process for the Assembly District 6 vacancy and encouraged the Assembly to conduct the interviews in public and not in executive session:
Mr. Eugene Haberman

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION (*subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person, provided the person may request a public discussion.*)

A. Interview Of Applicants Re: Filling The Assembly District 6 Vacancy

MOTION: Assemblymember Halter moved to enter into executive session for subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person, provided the person may request a public discussion. In particular to discuss the applicants to fill the Assembly District 6 vacancy and to discuss interview questions. Those present in the executive session were the members of the Assembly, the Attorney, the Manager, and the Clerk.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection and the Assembly moved into executive session at 5:06 p.m.

MOTION: Assemblymember Halter moved to exit executive session.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection and the Assembly exited executive session at 5:25 p.m.

MOTION: Assemblymember Halter moved to allow each applicant a five minute opening statement before questions are asked by the Assembly.

Vote: The motion passed without objection.

VII. MAYOR, ASSEMBLY, AND STAFF COMMENTS

(There were no comments made.)

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The special meeting adjourned at 5:26 p.m.


LARRY DEVILBISS, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:


LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved: 02/17/15