

# MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

Edna DeVries, Mayor

## PLANNING COMMISSION

Doug Glenn, District 1 – Vice Chair  
Richard Allen, District 2  
Brendan Carpenter, District 3  
Michael Collins, District 4  
Linn McCabe, District 5  
Maksim Zagorodniy, District 6  
Curt Scoggin, District 7



Michael Brown, Borough Manager

## PLANNING & LAND USE DEPARTMENT

Alex Strawn, Planning & Land Use Director  
Jason Ortiz, Planning & Land Use Deputy Director  
Wade Long, Development Services Manager  
Fred Wagner, Platting Officer  
Lacie Olivieri, Planning Clerk

*Assembly Chambers of the  
Dorothy Swanda Jones Building  
350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer*

## PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES December 1, 2025

### I. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission's regular meeting was held on December 1, 2025, at the Assembly Chambers of the Dorothy Swanda Jones Building 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. Chair Allen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Present:** – Commissioner Linn McCabe  
Commissioner Richard Allen  
Commissioner Doug Glenn  
Commissioner Curt Scoggin  
Commissioner Brendan Carpenter  
Commissioner Michael Collins  
Commissioner Maksim Zagorodniy

#### **Absent/Excused:**

**Staff Present:** 3 – Mr. Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director  
Ms. Lacie Olivieri, Planning Department Admin  
Ms. Denise Michalske, Assistant Borough Attorney

### II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Allen inquired if there were any changes to the agenda.

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

### III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Scoggin.

### IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. MINUTES: Regular Meeting Minutes – November 17, 2025

B. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS  
*(There were no introductions for public hearing quasi-judicial matters.)*

C. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

**Resolution 25-23**      A Resolution Of The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission Recommending Assembly Adoption Of The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Hazard Mitigation Plan 2026 Update.  
**Public Hearing Date:** December 15, 2025  
**Staff:** Taunnie Boothby, Current Planner

Chair Allen read the Consent Agenda into the record.

**GENERAL CONSENT:**      The Consent Agenda was approved without objection.

V. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**  
*(There were no committee reports.)*

VI. **AGENCY/STAFF REPORTS**  
*(There were no Agency/Staff Reports)*

VII. **LAND USE CLASSIFICATIONS**  
*(There were no land use classifications.)*

VIII. **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION** *(Three minutes per person.)*

There being no persons to be heard, Audience Participation was closed without objection.

IX. **PUBLIC HEARING QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS**

X. **PUBLIC HEARING LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

**Resolution 25-24**      A Resolution Of The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission Recommending Approval Of An Ordinance Amending MSB 17.59 Lake Management Plan Implementation To Update Definitions Related To Motorized And Personal Watercraft.  
**Staff:** Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director

Chair Allen read the resolution title into the record.

Staff, Mr. Alex Strawn, presented his staff report.

Chair Allen inquired if commissioners had any questions for staff.

Chair Allen opened the public hearing.

There being no persons to be heard, Chair Allen closed the public hearing, and the discussion moved to the Planning Commission.



**MOTION:** Commissioner McCabe moved to approve Planning Commission Resolution 25-24. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Glenn.

Discussion ensued.

**AMENDMENT:** Commissioner McCabe moved to modify the resolution to have this topic incorporated and taken up with Ordinance 25-128. Seconded by Commissioner Glenn.

**VOTE:** No objection to the Amendment. Passed unanimously.

**VOTE:** The main motion as amended passed without objection.

**XI. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION**

*(Correspondence and information were presented, and no comments were noted)*

**XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*(There was no unfinished business.)*

**XIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**XIV. COMMISSION BUSINESS**

- A. Upcoming Planning Commission Agenda Items (Staff: Alex Strawn)  
(Commission Business was presented, and no comments were noted.)

**XV. DIRECTOR AND COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Commissioner McCabe: No comment.

Commissioner Glenn: No comment.

Commissioner Scoggin: No comment.

Commissioner Carpenter: No comments.

Commissioner Zagorodniy: Thanks for todays meeting.

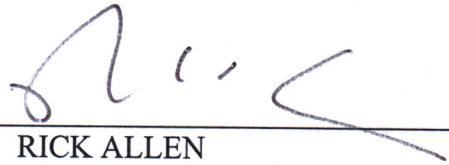
Commissioner Collins: I appreciate everyone going through this and working together as always, it's a pleasure and everyone drive home safe.

Alex Strawn: Hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving surrounded by loved ones, we have one more meeting before Christmas and I will wish you Merry Christmas then.

Commissioner Allen: Hope everyone had a nice Holiday. Please be safe out there I know some of you are driving a great distance tonight so please careful and everyone get home safe tonight.

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

The regular meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.



RICK ALLEN  
Planning Commission Chair

ATTEST:



LACIE OLIVIERI  
Planning Commission Clerk

*Minutes approved:*

12/15/25