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Alex Strawn, Planning & Land Use Director
Jason Ortiz, Planning & Land Use Deputy Director
Wade Long, Development Services Manager
Tyler Young, Platting Officer
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*Assembly Chambers of the
Dorothy Swanda Jones Building
350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer*

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
May 4, 2026**

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

The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission’s regular meeting was held on May 4, 2026, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. Chair Allen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: – Commissioner Collins
Commissioner McCabe*
Commissioner Allen
Commissioner Fonov
Commissioner Carpenter
Commissioner Glenn

Absent/Excused: Commissioner Scoggin

Staff Present: – Mr. Wade Long, Development Services Manager
Ms. Lacie Olivieri, Planning Department Admin
Mr. Alexander Lowe, Assistant Borough Attorney

* Indicates telephonic participation

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 Glenn.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. MINUTES: Regular Meeting Minutes – April 20, 2026

B. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS

Resolution 26-05

A Conditional Use Permit In Accordance With MSB 17.30 – Conditional Use Permit For Earth Materials Extraction Activities To Extract Approximately 360,000 Cubic Yards of Gravel Over 10 Years Located at 20254 West Susitna Parkway (Tax ID# 16N04W03A009), Within Township 16 North, Range 4 West, Section 3, Seward Meridian.

Public Hearing Date: May 18, 2026

Staff: Rick Benedict

Resolution 26-07

A Variance in Accordance With MSB 17.65 – Variances To Construct A Residential Structure Approximately 32 Feet From Middle Caswell Lake Located At 49562 South Lure Circle (Tax ID# 6070000L1051), Within Township 22 North, Range 4 West, Section 14, Seward Meridian.

Public Hearing Date: May 18, 2026

Staff: Rebecca Skjothaug

C. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

(There were no Quasi-Judicial Introductions)

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

(There were no Quasi-Judicial Public Hearings.)

X. PUBLIC HEARING LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

(There were no Legislative Public Hearings.)

XI. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

(There was no Correspondence and Information.)

XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
(There was no unfinished business.)

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

XIV. COMMISSION BUSINESS
A. Upcoming Planning Commission Agenda Items

Chair Allen asked whether Commissioners had any questions about the list of upcoming agenda items in their folders.

XV. DIRECTOR AND COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Collins: No comment

Commissioner Fonov: No comment

Commissioner Carpenter: No Comment

Commissioner McCabe: No comment

Commissioner Glenn: No Comment

Commissioner Allen: Wish you all a great evening.

Wade Long: Rebecca Skjothaug is listed in your agenda for a quasi-judicial matter in a couple weeks, but she has since resigned. So we will have another staff member, Natasha Heindel, who will be providing that staff report. But I did want to go ahead and take a moment just to thank Becca for her service to this borough to this commission. She's presented many quasi-judicial matters, and they've been professional. She's very intelligent, and we absolutely wish her all the success in her future. Thank you very much.

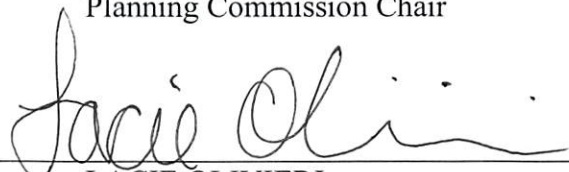
XVI. ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.



RICHARD ALLEN
Planning Commission Chair

ATTEST:



LACIE OLIVIERI
Planning Commission Clerk

Minutes approved: 5/18/26