



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg AK, 99833

Meeting Minutes Borough Assembly

Monday, February 1, 2016

12:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

1. Call To Order/Roll Call

Mayor Jensen called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Present: 7 - Mayor Mark Jensen, Vice Mayor Cindi Lagoudakis, Assembly Member Eric Castro, Assembly Member Bob Lynn, Assembly Member Jeigh Stanton Gregor, Assembly Member Nancy Strand and Assembly Member Kurt Wohlhueter

2. Voluntary Pledge

The pledge was recited.

3. Approval of Minutes

A. January 4, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [January 4, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

The minutes were approved.

B. January 19, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [January 19, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

The minutes were approved.

4. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

The meeting agenda was approved, as submitted.

5. Public Hearings

A. Public Hearing on Ordinance #2016-01: An Ordinance Adjusting the FY 2016 Budget for Known Changes

No comments.

6. Bid Awards

None.

7. Visitors' Views Related to Agenda

Dr. James Baker spoke to the reasons he believes that the Borough should establish a local dispensary and testing facility, and he mentioned that he had submitted a proposal to the Local Marijuana Regulation Advisory Committee. He also thanked each Assembly member and Manager Giesbrecht for their efforts regarding this issue.

Mike Stainbrook and Karin McCollough each expressed their support for KFSK and Resolution #2016-4, which requests the State Legislature consider less severe cuts to public broadcasting. They also commented that they were in favor of seeking reappropriation of the State funds currently set aside for building the Petersburg-Kake Access Road.

Tom Abbott, General Manager of KFSK, also spoke in favor of Resolution #2016-4. He read a letter which outlined the services provided by KFSK and shared what cuts public radio received in fiscal year 2016 and those expected in fiscal year 2017. He asked for the Assembly's support of Resolution #2016-4.

8. Visitors' Views Unrelated to Agenda

None.

9. Board, Commission and Committee Reports

No reports.

10. Consent Agenda

None.

11. Report of Other Officers

No reports.

12. Mayor's Report

A. February 1, 2016 Mayor's Report

Attachments: [February 1, 2016 Mayor's Report.pdf](#)

Mayor Jensen read his report.

13. Manager's Report

A. Report 02-01-2016

Attachments: [Manager report 02012016](#)

Manager Giesbrecht read his report which is attached and made part of these minutes.

14. Unfinished Business

Ordinances for Second Reading

A. Ordinance #2016-01: An Ordinance of the Petersburg Borough Adjusting the FY 2016 Budget for Known Changes

Attachments: [Ordinance #2016-01.pdf](#)
[WW Composting Project Supplemental Budget Request.pdf](#)

Ordinance #2016-1 passed by unanimous roll call vote.

15. New Business

A. Resolution #2016-04: A Resolution Requesting the Alaska Legislature Consider Less Severe Cuts to the Alaska Public Broadcasting Commission

Attachments: [Resolution #2016-04.pdf](#)
[Resolution Request from KFSK.pdf](#)
[History of Alaska Public Broadcasting Funding.pdf](#)

The Assembly discussed with Tom Abbott, General Manager of KFSK, the idea of including language in the Resolution regarding the fact that public radio broadcasting had received cuts in fiscal year 2016. Mayor Jensen also expressed his opinion that the Assembly Members attending AML should discuss this matter in more detail with the Legislators. It was agreed that the Resolution would be voted on with the understanding that this language would be added.

Resolution #2016-4 passed, with modifications.

B. Land Grant Entitlement to Petersburg Borough

Attachments: [Municipal Land Selection Committee Memo.pdf](#)

Community Development Director Cabrera explained that the amount of land requested in the letter is the average that other boroughs around the state have received in the past through their entitlement program. Assembly Member Lynn stated his opinion that the Borough needs to do more research on the best way to go about obtaining the land. Director Cabrera explained to the Assembly what steps have been taken in the process. There was also discussion concerning whether some of the land listed is eligible for selection.

The Assembly unanimously approved the recommendation.

C. Petersburg - Kake Access Road Funding

No motion was made.

D. Subjects for Discussion with Legislators

The Assembly agreed that the following items would be discussed with Legislators at AML:

- 1. ADOT harbors;*
- 2. land selection;*
- 3. KFSK funding;*
- 4. Petersburg-Kake Access Road funding reallocation;*
- 5. support for the ferry system in Southeast Alaska;*
- 6. Community Jail Contract funding; and*
- 7. condition of medical facilities in our region, especially with medical travel concerns if our ferry service is reduced.*

The Assembly agreed on the discussion items listed above.

16. Communications

Mayor Jensen reminded everyone that Ruth Sandvik's birthday festivities will be on Monday, February 8th, at 3:30 p.m. at the Holy Cross House.

17. Assembly Discussion Items**A. Recognitions**

Vice-Mayor Lagoudakis recognized Director Karl Hagerman for his willingness to lead her and Assembly Member Castro on a tour of the Public Works facilities and for his efforts in recent months with recycling program transitions. She presented him with a gift of appreciation.

B. Marijuana Ordinance

Attachments: [Draft Marijuana Ordinance with Attorney Brennan Notes.pdf](#)
[Sitka Resolution RE Marijuana Excise Tax.pdf](#)

There was discussion among Manager Giesbrecht and the Assembly regarding the draft marijuana ordinance and whether the Assembly would stand as the local marijuana control board or simply as an interim until a board is appointed. It was decided that there would be further discussion after Assembly Members Stanton-Gregor and Castro and Police Chief Swihart return from the symposium in Wrangell on March 2, 2016 and the Local Marijuana Regulation Advisory Board has had a chance to meet and review a draft ordinance.

18. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:22 p.m.