

Minutes of the Public Hearing
Denali Borough Assembly
Tri-Valley Community Center
January 20, 2008

CALL TO ORDER The public Hearing was called to order at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL Assembly members present: Teresa Chepoda Usibelli, Baxter Mercer, Armeda Bulard, John Winklmann and Josh Hockin. Absent were: Eileen Holmes, Robert Kohlsdorf, Clay Walker and David Evans. Mayor Talerico was also in attendance.

ORDINANCE 08-01: an ordinance exempting municipal officers and public officials of the Denali Borough from being required to file APOC forms and creating the Denali Borough financial disclosure forms.

Mary Pearson, Denali Borough School Board, spoke against the state APOC form.

Jim Anderson, Denali Borough School Board, the school board and planning commission unanimously supported the borough opting out of APOC per the resolutions that the boards sent to the assembly. Mr. Anderson supports placing the question on the ballot at a special election.

Leroy Lausen, Healy, feels that it should be placed to the voters but not at a special election.

David Braun, Panguingue Creek, disagrees with opting out.


Cyrus Cooper, Healy, suggested that certain information should be made available but felt that the state went too far. He spoke against having a special election but that it should go to a vote of the people.

ADJOURNMENT BULARD declared the public hearing adjourned at 7:15 PM

APPROVED:


Armeda Bullard, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:


Gail Pieknik, Borough Clerk

Date Approved: FEBRUARY 13, 2008

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CALL TO ORDER Presiding Officer Armeda Bulard called the regular meeting to order at 7:15 PM.

ROLL CALL Assembly members present: Armeda Bulard, Baxter Mercer, Teresa Usibelli, John Winklmann and Josh Hockin. Clay Walker, David Evans, Eileen Holmes and Robert Kohlsdorf were absent. Mayor Talerico was also in attendance.

WINKLMANN MOVED to excuse the absent members. HOCKIN seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENTS Jim Anderson, Denali Borough School Board, spoke in favor of using one of the borough's own APOC forms that were in the meeting packets tonight.

David Braun, Panguingue Creek subdivision, spoke against the borough's own APOC forms. He is in favor of the state of Alaska forms.

AGENDA MERCER MOVED to approve the agenda. HOCKIN seconded. The VOTE to approve the agenda was unanimous.

ORDINANCE 1.) **ORDINANCE 08-01:** an ordinance exempting municipal officers and public officials of the Denali Borough from being required to file APOC forms and creating the Denali Borough financial disclosure forms.

MERCER MOVED to adopt. HOCKIN seconded.

WINKLMANN supports a change in the APOC form but spoke against this ordinance because he feels it is incomplete.

MERCER spoke in favor a borough form but would like to collaborate with other municipalities on this issue.

BULARD feels that the borough will lose people on the school board, planning commission and assembly if the borough continues using the state of Alaska APOC forms. She encourage people to run for seats if this happens.

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Cyrus Cooper, Healy, suggested contacting the state legislature about the APOC problem. He spoke against a special election because of the cost.

Jim Anderson, Denali Borough School Board, volunteered to write a form for the borough assembly.

Mary Pearson, Denali Borough School Board, spoke against the new APOC form.

Mayor Talerico, informed the assembly that the Alaska Municipal League is working on this issue.

MERCER MOVED to substitute Version B for Version A. HOCKIN seconded. The VOTE was 4 – 1 with USIBELLI opposed. Motion passes.

The roll call VOTE on the main motion was 3 – 2 with WINKLMANN and USIBELLI opposed. Motion fails.

WINKLMANN MOVED to bring back Ordinance 08-01, version B. MERCER seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.

USIBELLI MOVED to send Ordinance 08-01, version B, along with the APOC form drafts and WINKLMANN'S notes to the borough attorney for legal review. WINKLMANN seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Robert Grose, Healy, spoke in favor of the state APOC form.

David Braun, Healy, felt that there will be many people running for the seats that are vacated because of the new state forms.

Mary Pearson, Denali Borough School Board, feels that the school board will help the borough with drafting the new forms.

ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

USIBELLI felt that the assembly came to the right decision tonight.

MERCER informed the public that Methane Gas will be on the next assembly agenda. He would like to see more people run for seats in the borough election.

WINKLMANN thanked everyone for attending tonight. He spoke to the vacant seats on committees and school board.

1' NEXT MEETING 1.) The next regular meeting will be held at the Cantwell School on
2 February 13, 2008. Assembly work session 6:00PM, public hearing
3 6:45PM, and regular meeting to follow.
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6 ADJOURN MERCER MOVED to adjourn and HOCKIN seconded. The VOTE
7 was unanimous.
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9 The presiding officer declared the regular meeting adjourned at
10 8:40PM.
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13 APPROVED: Armeda A. Bulard
14 Armeda Bulard, Presiding Officer
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17 ATTEST: Gail Pieknik
18 Gail Pieknik, Borough Clerk
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