

1 **Minutes of the Work Session and Special Meeting**
2 **Denali Borough Assembly**
3 **Anderson School, Anderson, Alaska**
4 **June 6, 2019**
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6 **WORK SESSION**
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8 Presiding Officer Jared ZIMMERMAN called the work session to order at 6:06 PM.
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10 Mayor Clay Walker welcomed all those in attendance, acknowledged that the Anderson
11 community was experiencing a power outage but that we would continue the meeting with
12 limited power. Mr. Walker reviewed the history and purpose of our Denali Borough grant
13 program and explained that the borough does not have authority over non-profit
14 organization formation.
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16 Presiding Officer ZIMMERMAN opened the floor to public comments.
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18 In summary, approximately seven (7) members of the public expressed concerns regarding
19 the Kobe Farm Community road improvement project. Items of concern included:

- 20 • Area residents being financially responsible to repair road damage resulting from this
21 project
- 22 • Adequate notice for area residents regarding road closures or access limitations
- 23 • Road standards to ensure quality improvements
- 24 • Qualifications of those conducting the road improvements
- 25 • Drainage and culvert placement
- 26 • Forced participation and/or membership to the Kobe Farm Community non-profit
27 organization
- 28 • How the non-profit was organized and possible conflicts of interest
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30 In summary, approximately nine (9) members of the public, and two written comments were
31 read, expressing support for the Kobe Farm Community road improvement project. Public
32 comments of support included:

- 33 • Improved access for residents, farming activities and other road users
- 34 • Improved emergency service response
- 35 • Improved quality of life
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37 Mr. Thom DeBlauw, President of the Kobe Farm Community non-profit organization,
38 described the road improvement project, answered questions, and discussed solutions to
39 address the concerns expressed.
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1 Assembly members expressed appreciation for the additional information and productive
2 conversation provided through the work session.

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4 Presiding Officer Jared ZIMMERMAN adjourned the work session at 8:34 PM.

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6 **SPECIAL MEETING**

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8 **CALL TO ORDER**

9 Presiding Officer Jared ZIMMERMAN called the special meeting to order at 8:34 PM.

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11 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

12 Mayor Clay Walker led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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14 **ROLL CALL**

15 Assembly members present: Jared ZIMMERMAN, David EVANS, Tallon SHREEVE, Eileen
16 HOLMES, Joe CHATFIELD, Don DEBLAUW and Krista ZAPPONE. Absent: Jill BOELSMA
17 and Jake HILL. Mayor Clay Walker was also present.

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19 Tallon SHREEVE MOVED to excuse Jill BOELSMA and Jake HILL. The motion was
20 seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

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22 **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

23 There were no public comments.

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25 **ASSEMBLY COMMENTS**

26 Assembly members expressed appreciation for the public conversation during the work
27 session and believe that some conditions placed within the grant award documents can
28 address the concerns and provide a structure for a successful project.

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30 **ORDINANCE 19-04: FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET**

31 Krista ZAPPONE MOVED to have staff include conditions in the Kobe Farm Community
32 grant award agreement regarding access, project schedule notification, requirements for
33 a State of Alaska licensed and bonded contractor, and project oversight will be provided
34 by borough staff. The motion was seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was
35 unanimous.

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37 Krista ZAPPONE MOVED to postpone Ordinance 19-04. The motion was seconded. The
38 VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

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40 **Liquor License #4898 Transfer of Ownership:
41 The Perch Resort; Panorama Pizza Pub**

42 Krista ZAPPONE MOVED to not-protest the transfer of ownership for liquor license
43 #4898. The motion was seconded. The roll call VOTE to approve was unanimous.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kobe Road resident Dorothy DeBlauw thanked the assembly.

ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

Assembly members commented that they looked forward to seeing the Kobe Road improvements.

Krista ZAPPONE offered to be a point of contact for residents if concerns arise during the project.

Jared ZIMMERMAN stated that he enjoys being a part of the public process and encouraged borough administration to continue exploring options to help the broader community with access to gravel.

ADJOURN:

Krista ZAPPONE MOVED to adjourn. The motion was seconded. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous voice vote at 9:17 PM.

APPROVED: 
Jared Zimmerman, Presiding Officer

ATTEST: 
Amber Renshaw, Borough Clerk

Date Approved: August 7, 2019

