

1 **Minutes of the Public Hearing**
2 **Denali Borough Assembly**
3 **Anderson School**
4 **November 20, 2017**

5
6
7 **CALL TO ORDER**

8 Presiding Officer Jared ZIMMERMAN called the public hearing to order at 6:15 PM.
9

10 **ROLL CALL**

11 Assembly members present: Jared ZIMMERMAN, Don DEBLAUW, Krista ZAPPONE, Jill
12 BOELSMA, David EVANS, Eileen HOLMES, and Joe CHATFIELD. Absent: Patrick KELLY,
13 Tallon SHREEVE. Mayor Clay Walker was also present.
14

15 **ORDINANCE 17-14, VERSION B:**

16 There was no public comment.
17

18 **ORDINANCE 17-15, VERSION A:**

19 There was no public comment.
20

21 **ADJOURN:**

22 The meeting was adjourned at 6:16 PM.
23
24

25
26 APPROVED: 

27 _____
28 Jared Zimmerman, Presiding Officer
29

30
31 ATTEST: 

32 _____
33 Amber Renshaw, Borough Clerk
34
35

36 Date Approved: 12/13/2017

1 **Minutes of the Regular Meeting**
2 **Denali Borough Assembly**
3 **Anderson School**
4 **November 20, 2017**
5
6

7 **CALL TO ORDER**

8 Presiding Officer Jared ZIMMERMAN called the regular meeting to order at 6:16 PM.
9

10 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

13 **OATH OF OFFICE**

14 Denali Borough Clerk Amber Renshaw administered the oath of office to Joe Chatfield
15 (Assembly Seat E), Eileen Holmes (Assembly Seat I), and Jill Boelsma (Assembly Seat A).
16 The newly sworn in assembly members took their seats at the assembly table.
17

18 **ROLL CALL**

19 Assembly members present: Jared ZIMMERMAN, Don DEBLAUW, Krista ZAPPONE, Jill
20 BOELSMA, Eileen HOLMES, David EVANS, and Joe CHATFIELD. Absent: Patrick KELLY
21 and Tallon SHREEVE. Mayor Clay Walker was also present.
22

23 David EVANS MOVED to excuse Mr. Kelly and Mr. Shreeve. The motion was seconded.
24 The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.
25

26 **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

27 There was no public comment.
28

29 **AGENDA**

30 Jill BOELSMA MOVED to approve the meeting agenda as presented. The motion was
31 seconded. It was noted that item H. Ordinances contained a typographical error showing
32 Ordinance 17-14, Version A where it should be Version B. The VOTE to approve the
33 agenda as amended was unanimous.
34

35 **MINUTES**

36 September 13, 2017 Denali Borough Assembly Public Hearing and Regular Meeting
37

38 Krista ZAPPONE MOVED to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2017 Public Hearing
39 and Regular Meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded. The VOTE by show
40 of hands was unanimous.
41

42 **REPORTS**

43 **SEPTEMBER 2017 FINANCIAL REPORTS**

1 David EVANS MOVED to receive the September 2017 Financial Report. The motion was
2 seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

3 4 **PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT**

5 Mr. Robert Snyder provided the Planning Commission report:

6 The planning commission met in October and unanimously approved Resolution PC 17-09,
7 providing preliminary approval for Plat 17-04. Planner Marsha Lambert will continue to
8 revise Chapter 9 Subdivisions, which is expected to be on the January planning commission
9 agenda. A work session with emergency services providers will be planned to discuss
10 naming of streets and addressing. Mr. Snyder reported that he attended the Alaska
11 Planners Association conference, which was a positive experience.

12 13 **PLANNING COMMISSION SEAT APPOINTMENT**

14 Mayor Clay Walker recommended appointment of Mr. James Greg Williamson to Planning
15 Commission Seat H. Krista ZAPPONE MOVED to confirm the appointment. The motion was
16 seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

17 18 **SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT**

19 Denali Borough School District (DBSD)

20 Superintendent Dan Polta provided a written report to the assembly. Of special note was
21 that Vernon Carlson received the Carl Rose Governance Award by the Association of
22 Alaska School Boards.

23 24 **MAYOR REPORT**

25 Mayor Clay Walker verbally highlighted information provided in a written report, including the
26 following:

- 27
- 28 • Mayor Walker extended congratulations to Dawn Adams and Kristin Randall on their
29 election to the Denali Borough School District Board of Directors, and welcomed
30 Eileen Holmes, Joe Chatfield and Jill Boelsma to the assembly. Mayor Walker
31 commented that Paddy Tatum's voice will be missed at the assembly table.
- 32 • A design for the Healy Transfer Station is near completion, and construction cost
33 estimates are coming in quite high. Administration is currently exploring ways to cut
34 costs. Mayor Walker informed that a discussion of project prioritization and funding
35 would be on a future meeting agenda.
- 36 • Mayor Walker, many staff members, Planning Commissioner Robert Snyder and
37 Assembly Member Patrick Kelly attended Alaska Municipal League (AML) associated
38 conferences last week. Mayor Walker encouraged assembly members to consider
39 participation in an AML board or commission. Information about these seats are
40 available on the AML website (akml.org). Mayor Walker reminded the assembly that
41 the Denali Borough is hosting the 2018 AML Summer conference.
- 42 • Mayor Walker and Special Projects Coordinator Chris Noel met with Superintendent
43 Dan Polta and Maintenance Supervisor Curtis Hamel to discuss the Cantwell School
44 roof replacement project and the need for backup generators at all three schools.

1 Two of the top four projects on the Alaska Department of Education and Early
2 Development (DEED) Capital Improvement Project list are Denali Borough projects -
3 the Anderson waterline project, and the Cantwell School roof project. The DEED
4 estimated cost of the Cantwell School roof project is much lower than that of the
5 school district.

- 6 • Mayor Walker informed the assembly that Denali Borough Code names the assembly
7 as the solid waste commission for the borough. The October inspection of the Denali
8 Borough Landfill returned a score of 100%. Work is ongoing on the groundwater
9 monitoring plan.
- 10 • A draft land use plan has been received from Agnew::Beck, the next step is staff
11 review and public comment.

12 13 **ASSEMBLY COMMENTS**

14 Assembly members thanked those in attendance for coming to the meeting, and newly
15 elected members were welcomed and then thanked the public for their vote. Assembly
16 members also thanked Paddy Tatum for her service. In addition, the following comments
17 were made:

18
19 Jared ZIMMERMAN congratulated Vernon Carlson on being named recipient of the Carl
20 Rose Governance Award, and thanked David Evans for his efforts to enact a facility
21 survey to identify needed capital improvement projects. Mr. Zimmerman asked assembly
22 members interested in serving on the finance committee to let him know, as committee
23 appointments will be on the next meeting agenda.

24
25 Paddy TATUM commented that she has enjoyed serving on the assembly, and wished
26 the assembly luck in the future.

27 28 **COMMUNICATIONS AND APPEARANCES**

29 President of the Denali Emergency Services Association Rob Graham.
30 Mr. Graham was not present.

31 32 **DRAFT ORDINANCES**

33 There were no draft ordinances.

34 35 **PENDING ORDINANCES**

36 **ORDINANCE 17-14, VERSION B:**

37 **An ordinance amending Denali Borough Code of Ordinances Chapter 9.10 Titled**
38 **Subdivisions**

39
40 Jill BOELSMA MOVED to postpone Ordinance 17-14 to the next meeting. The motion was
41 seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

42 43 **ORDINANCE 17-15, VERSION A:**

1 An ordinance appropriating up to \$62,600 from the general fund for reimbursable
2 expenditures related to State Homeland Security Program Grant (SHSP)
3

4 Dave EVANS MOVED to approve Ordinance 17-15. The motion was seconded. The roll call
5 VOTE was unanimous.
6

7 **RESOLUTIONS**

8 **RESOLUTION 17-17:**

9 A resolution thanking Ms. Paddy Tatum for her years of service on the Denali
10 Borough Assembly
11

12 Dave EVANS MOVED to approve Resolution 17-17. The motion was seconded. Assembly
13 Chair Jared Zimmerman read the resolution into the record. The roll call VOTE was
14 unanimous.
15

16 **OTHER BUSINESS**
17

18 **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

19 There were no public comments.
20

21 **ASSEMBLY COMMENTS**

22 Assembly members thanked those in the audience for their attendance and input, and
23 congratulated Mayor Clay Walker on his re-election to the Mayor's seat.
24

25 Assembly Chair Jared Zimmerman called a meeting recess at 7:02 PM. The meeting
26 reconvened at 7:24.
27

28 **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

29 Krista ZAPPONE MOVED to go into executive session at 7:25 PM to discuss a personnel
30 matter involving allegations of discrimination. The motion was seconded. The roll call VOTE
31 was unanimous.
32

33 Assembly Chair Jared Zimmerman called the meeting back to order at 8:23 PM.
34

35 Krista ZAPPONE MOVED to request Mr. Paul Wilcox meet with the complainant and all
36 affected parties tomorrow morning to review the results of an investigation. The motion was
37 seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.
38

39 **ASSEMBLY COMMENTS**

40 Assembly members thanked those in the audience for their attendance, and thanked
41 Paddy Tatum for her service. The following comment was also made:
42

43 Jill BOELSMA commented that Giving Tuesday is November 28, and encouraged those
44 present to contribute to a cause in honor of that event.

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22


NEXT ASSEMBLY MEETING

The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at the Tri-Valley Community Center, Healy, Alaska; Public Hearing at 6:00 PM and Regular Meeting to follow.

ADJOURN:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM.

APPROVED: 
Jared Zimmerman, Presiding Officer

ATTEST: 
Amber Renshaw, Borough Clerk

Date Approved: 12/13/17