

1 **Minutes of the Public Hearing**
2 **Denali Borough Assembly**
3 **Tri-Valley Community Center**
4 **December 13, 2017**
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7 **CALL TO ORDER:**

8 The public hearing was called to order by Presiding Officer Jared Zimmerman at 6:02 p.m.
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10 **ROLL CALL:**

11 Assembly members present: Jared ZIMMERMAN, Don DEBLAUW, David EVANS, Krista
12 ZAPPONE, Tallon SHREEVE and Jill BOELSMA. Absent: Eileen HOLMES, Patrick KELLY
13 and Joe Chatfield
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15 **ORDINANCE 17-14, Version B:**

16 An ordinance amending Denali Borough Code of Ordinances Chapter 9.10 titled Subdivisions
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18 There were no public comments.
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20 **ADJOURNMENT:**

21 The public hearing was adjourned at 6:02 p.m.
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25 APPROVED:



Jared Zimmerman, Presiding Officer
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30 ATTEST:



Amber Renshaw, Borough Clerk
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35 Date Approved:

11/10/2018

1 **Minutes of the Regular Meeting**
2 **Denali Borough Assembly**
3 **Tri-Valley Community Center**
4 **December 13, 2017**
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7 **CALL TO ORDER**

8 Presiding Officer Jared Zimmerman called the regular meeting to order at 6:02 PM.
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10 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

11 Mayor Clay Walker led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
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13 **ROLL CALL**

14 Assembly members present: Jared ZIMMERMAN, Don DEBLAUW, David EVANS, Tallon
15 SHREEVE, Krista ZAPPONE and Jill BOELSMA. Absent: Eileen HOLMES, Patrick KELLY
16 and Joe CHATFIELD. Mayor Clay Walker was also present.
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18 David EVANS MOVED to excuse the absent members. The motion was seconded. The
19 VOTE show of hands was unanimous.
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21 **SELECTION OF PRESIDING OFFICER AND DEPUTY PRESIDING OFFICER**

22 Jill BOELSMA MOVED to nominate Jared Zimmerman as Presiding Officer. The motion was
23 seconded. There were no other nominations. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.
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25 Jill BOELSMA MOVED to nominate Krista Zappone as Deputy Presiding Officer. The motion
26 was seconded. There were no other nominations. The VOTE by show of hands was
27 unanimous.
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29 **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

30 There were no public comments.
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32 **AGENDA**

33 David EVANS MOVED to approve the meeting agenda as presented. The motion was
34 seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.
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36 **MINUTES**

37 November 9, 2017 Canvass Committee Meeting
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39 David EVANS MOVED to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2017 Canvass
40 Committee Meeting as presented. The motion was seconded. The VOTE by show of hands
41 was unanimous.
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1 David EVANS MOVED to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2017 Special Meeting,
2 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded. The
3 VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.
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5 **REPORTS**

6 **OCTOBER 2017 FINANCIAL REPORT**

7 Krista ZAPPONE MOVED to receive the October 2017 Financial Report. The motion was
8 seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.
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10 **PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT**

11 There was no planning commission report.
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13 **PLANNING COMMISSION SEAT APPOINTMENT**

14 Mayor Walker recommended the appointment of Mr. Lee Lightfoot to Seat A and Mr. Baxter
15 Mercer to Seat E of the planning commission. David EVANS MOVED to confirm Mr. Lee
16 Lightfoot to Seat A and Mr. Baxter Mercer to Seat E of the planning commission. The motion
17 was seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.
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19 **SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT**

20 Denali Borough School District (DBSD)
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22 Denali Borough School District Superintendent Dan Polta verbally highlighted activity
23 included in a written report, including the following:

- 24 • Congratulations to Ms. Ward and Ms. Tench for their work coordinating the Hour of
25 Code
- 26 • Thank you to Govdeals.com for their help in selling the old Denali Borough School
27 District activity bus
- 28 • The district continues to review and implement pieces of the strategic plan. The next
29 piece of the plan the district will focus on will be developing a model for personalized
30 learning
- 31 • The school board will begin their Fiscal Year 2019 budget discussion at their next
32 meeting. This budget discussion will include district preparation for potential reduction
33 in State of Alaska education funding. An assembly preview of the district's budget
34 allocation request from the borough will be close to 2.8 million
- 35 • The district submitted an application for grant funding for the Cantwell School roofing
36 project. The status of the grant application is high on the State of Alaska priority list,
37 however, the State adjusted the cost estimate once the application was submitted.
- 38 • The Anderson school is still hiring a few positions including a maintenance and
39 custodial position.
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41 David EVANS suggested that the school facility assessment report be treated like a living
42 document where each recommended project be updated regularly to maintain a current list
43 with usable information.
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1 **MAYOR REPORT**

2 Mayor Clay Walker verbally highlighted activity included in a written report, including the
3 following:

- 4 • Mayor Walker congratulate Jared Zimmerman and Krista Zappone for being selected
5 as Presiding Officer and Deputy Presiding Officer
- 6 • The Land Use and Economic Development Plan is available for review and comment
7 through January 8th with the advisory team reviewing the plan at their meeting on
8 January 16th
- 9 • Three bears will be opening this week and there is a lot of excitement throughout the
10 community. Mayor Walker will attend the grand opening on December 15th. All Tri-
11 Valley School students will be attending the grand opening. The borough will be giving
12 a Zero Landfill reusable tote bag to all students that attend
- 13 • The February Alaska Municipal League conference is coming soon and Mayor Walker
14 asked any interested assembly members to let the borough know of their desire to
15 attend as soon as possible
- 16 • Mayor Walker attended the city of Anderson council meeting and learned that the 200+
17 room man camp that was built at Clear Air Force base is already full and the city of
18 Anderson is discussing the idea of building an additional man camp closer to the city
19 of Anderson
- 20 • The FY 17 audit came back clean and free of findings and Mayor Walker commended
21 Denali Borough Treasurer Annette Ziegman for her work and dedication
- 22 • Mayor Walker and Emergency Planner Chris Noel attended a meeting with all the area
23 fire chiefs to plan for joint training opportunities and to identify fire department needs
- 24 • The borough-wide mutual aid agreement has been signed and finalized by all local
25 volunteer fire departments
- 26 • Doyon Inc. is planning for a summer drilling project and are interested in bringing their
27 clean cuttings to our landfill
- 28 • The solid waste permit continues to be reviewed by the State of Alaska Department of
29 Environmental Conservation. Once approved by the Department of Environmental
30 Conservation, the operations plan will come to the assembly for approval
- 31 • The Tri-Valley middle school service learning class is researching the development of
32 a community recreation center. Their idea is to fund the recreation center by
33 establishing a farm or hydroponic facility to produce fresh vegetable that can be sold
- 34 • The State of Alaska Department of Transportation has sent a letter to the borough
35 regarding the speed limit in the McKinley Village area. They are requesting borough
36 support to reduce the speed limit in the McKinley Village area to 55 MPH on a trial
37 basis. Mayor Walker asked the assembly if they had any objection of offering a letter
38 of support for this reduction in speed limit on a trial basis. There was no objection.
- 39 • Mayor Walker informed the assembly of the passing of Mr. Steve Ziegman

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41 Jill BOELSMA offered her whole-hearted support for the reduction of the speed limit near
42 McKinley Village.
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1 **ASSEMBLY COMMENTS**

2 Assembly members thanked those in the audience for attending and offered their
3 condolences to the Ziegman family.

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5 **COMMUNICATION AND APPEARANCES**

6 Laurie Gieck with Kohler, Schmitt & Hutchison to review the Denali Borough Fiscal Year
7 2017 Financial Statement and annual audit

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9 Laurie Gieck with Kohler, Schmitt & Hutchison provided a presentation reviewing the Fiscal
10 Year 2017 financial statement. The audit determined a clean opinion, free of significant
11 findings or material misstatements. Ms. Gieck reported that this year, the borough was
12 subject to a State of Alaska single audit and the State single audit found that the borough
13 was in compliance.

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15 Jared ZIMMERMAN called for a recess at 7:02 PM. The meeting resumed at 7:25 PM.

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17 **DRAFT ORDINANCES**

18 **Ordinance 17-16: An ordinance amending the budget to increase the fund transfer to**
19 **the Capital Improvement Fund**

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21 David EVANS MOVED to introduce Ordinance 17-16. The motion was seconded. Points of
22 discussion:

- 23 • Mayor Walker reported that this ordinance is the first step towards appropriating
24 funds to continue the development of the Healy Transfer Station project. The
25 appropriation process will require an additional ordinance
- 26 • Mayor Walker stated that the initial design will not include the gate house,
27 dumpsters or recycling area

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29 David EVANS asked to see a presentation of the Healy Transfer Station design at the next
30 meeting.

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32 The roll call VOTE to introduce Ordinance 17-16 was unanimous.

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34 Krista ZAPPONE MOVED to postpone Ordinance 17-16 to the next meeting. The motion
35 was seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

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37 **PENDING ORDINANCES**

38 **ORDINANCE 17-14, Version B: An ordinance amending Denali Borough Code of**
39 **Ordinances Chapter 9.10 titled Subdivisions**

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41 Krista ZAPPONE MOVED to amend the wording throughout the Chapter from “warrant title
42 report” to “certificate of plat”. The motion was seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was
43 unanimous.

1 Krista MOVED to postpone Ordinance 17-14 to the next meeting. The motion was
2 seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

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4 **RESOLUTIONS**

5 There were no resolutions on the agenda.
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7 **OTHER BUSINESS**

8 The following Liquor license were on the agenda:

- 9 • Liquor License Renewal: Denali Grizzly Bear; license number 475
- 10 • Liquor License Renewal: Kantishna Roadhouse, Inc.; license number 3036
- 11 • Liquor License Transfer: From Kantishna Roadhouse, Inc. to Three Bears Alaska,
12 Inc.; license number 3036
- 13 • Liquor License Transfer: From Little Norway, Inc. to Grande Denali Lodge Alpenglow
14 Restaurant; license number 4099
- 15 • Liquor License Transfer: From Little Norway, Inc. to Grande Denali Lodge
16 Mountaineer Grill & Bar; license number 4280
- 17 • Liquor License New Application: Denali Bluffs Hotel Perky Moose; license number
18 5619

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20 Jill BOELSMA MOVED to not-protest the above liquor license applications. The motion was
21 seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

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23 **Denali Borough Treasurer:** Mayor appointment, Assembly confirmation (per Denali
24 Borough Code 2.26.010)

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26 Mayor Clay Walker recommended the approval of Ms. Wendi Planty as Denali Borough
27 Treasurer. David EVANS MOVED to confirm Ms. Wendi Planty as Denali Borough
28 Treasurer. The motion was seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

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30 **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

31 There were no public comments.
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33 **ASSEMBLY COMMENTS**

34 Assembly members thanked those in the audience for their attendance and expressed
35 excitement over the opening of the Three Bears store.


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37 Jill BOELSMA reported that the Cantwell bird count will begin soon.
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39 **NEXT ASSEMBLY MEETING**

40 The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at the Cantwell
41 School; Cantwell, Alaska; Public Hearing 6:00 PM with the Regular Meeting following the
42 public hearing.

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44 **ADJOURN:**

1 Jill BOELSMA MOVED to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded. The VOTE by
2 show of hands was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.
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6 APPROVED:  _____
7 Jared Zimmerman, Presiding Officer
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10 ATTEST:  _____
11 Amber Renshaw, Borough Clerk
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15 Date Approved: 1/10/2018
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