

1 **Denali Borough Assembly**
2 **Summary Minutes of the Work Session**
3 **Virtual Meeting**
4 **September 23, 2020**
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7 **WORK SESSION**

8 **CALL TO ORDER**

9 Presiding Officer Jared ZIMMERMAN called the regular meeting to order at 6:02 PM.
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11 **ROLL CALL**

12 Assembly members present: Jake HILL, Lisa MINER, Jared ZIMMERMAN, Tallon
13 SHREEVE, and Eileen HOLMES. Mayor Clay Walker was also present.
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15 **DEVELOPING A SYSTEM OF ADDRESSING FOR THE DENALI BOROUGH**

16 Mayor Walker summarized the process of developing a system of addressing for the Denali
17 Borough to date.
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19 McKinley Village Fire Chief Dave DeCaro expressed and explained his support for a
20 baseline addressing system.
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22 Alaska State Trooper Sgt. Joel Miner explained his concern with the baseline address
23 system and described his support for a distance based address system using San Juan
24 County, Washington as an example.
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26 Tri-Valley Fire Chief expressed concern for a baseline addressing system and described his
27 support for a distance based addressing system.
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29 Assembly member Jake Hill and Denali Borough Emergency Manger Chris Noel expressed
30 and explained their support for the baseline addressing system.
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32 **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

33 Angel Hayes expressed support for a distance based addressing and voiced concern for
34 any potential street name changes.
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36 Bill Madsen provided the attached written comment. (Attachment A)
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38 Teresa Floberg provided the attached written comment. (Attachment B)
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40 Angel Hayes, Brad Benson, and Jenna Hamm provided the attached written comments on
41 the Facebook Live media broadcast platform. (Attachment C)
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43 **ASSEMBLY COMMENTS**

1 Mayor Walker explained that, according to Denali Borough Code Chapter 9.12, there are
2 some duplicate street names and street name suffixes in the borough that will need to be
3 changed and the Planning Commission public process to determine those changes will
4 begin at some point this winter.

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6 **ADJOURN:**

7 Presiding Officer Jared ZIMMERMAN adjourned the work session at 7:21 PM.

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10 APPROVED: _____
11 Jared Zimmerman, Presiding Officer

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14 ATTEST: _____
15 Amber Renshaw, Borough Clerk

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Date Approved: _____

Addressing Suggestion

Bill Madsen <madsen.bill@gmail.com>

Wed 9/23/2020 5:03 PM

To: Amber Renshaw <arensaw@denaliborough.com>

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Here is an idea for you to consider if you so wish.

With the technology available today such as Navigation Systems, GPS, Google Maps etc., it seems to me that your ideas for addressing could be obsolete or at least old school.

I think people living on a particular road could agree on a name for it and house numbers, register them on Google Maps and the major Navigation systems like Garmin, and it's done. If the neighbors can't agree, then it gets kicked to P&Z to give the road a name, house numbers and register them or make a decision for them that breaks the impasse.

Emergency services probably have or could have a Navigation system and get turn by turn directions to the emergency as they travel.

Not only would this negate the need for a complicated system that may not account properly for growth, but it would allow the residents to have a nice or at least cool name for the road they live on. I don't think many people want an address like 143295 East 189th Avenue North. Especially if the road is a quarter mile long and has 3 people living on it.

Pending Ordinance 20-03 Street Addressing

Teresa Floberg <tfloberg@gmail.com>

Mon 9/21/2020 8:12 PM

To: Amber Renshaw <arensaw@denaliborough.com>

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Hi Amber,

Could you please pass along my comments to the Assembly?

I want to submit my support for Ordinance 20-03. Living just outside the main Healy area makes a timely response for emergency services important. Our subdivision has miles of dirt road, and dozens and dozens of homes. Most people do not know the names of our streets. Even within our subdivision off Stampede Rd, there are only a handful of people who can identify all the houses. Many houses aren't visible from the side street where they are located. My house is on the last spur road (Regulus Rd) and sits 300 yards off the dirt road. I want my house to be easily identifiable. This ordinance allows our house to remain unbothered and discreet, which is the advantage of living here, but also gives emergency services better information on finding residents in need.

Thank you,

Teresa Floberg

ATTACHMENT B

September 23, 2020
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Facebook Comments

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Angelica Moreno Hayes
Makes sense to me!

1w Like Reply



Angelica Moreno Hayes
I vote for the San Juan method 👍😊

1w Like Reply



Brad Benson
The San Juan system is good. I've seen it and it's logical and works.

1w Like Reply



Angelica Moreno Hayes
There are lots of streets

1w Like Reply



Angelica Moreno Hayes
Street names that have different names as cities like Anchorage and Fairbanks have grown. It's not a big deal



Denali Borough was live.

Posted by BoxCast
Sep 23 · 🌐



Jenna Hamm
Good evening Assembly,
I hope you may receive this message yet during your work session, though I'm a bit late. I'm writing to offer my support for an addressing system in the borough. More efficient and clear system of physical addresses would improve package and product delivery, especially important for businesses such as our own. Safety is also paramount-- an easier and clearer way for emergency professionals to be able to find homes throughout the borough would greatly improve health and public safety.
Thank you for your consideration of this issue,
Jenna

Jenna Hamm
Denali National Park Wilderness Centers, Ltd
dba Camp Denali and Parkside Guest House
PO Box 67, Denali Park, AK 99755



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Angelica Moreno Hayes
Like Killian road only runs to the left so name the right side of the T something else

1w Like Reply



Brad Benson
Exactly. It's wouldn't be hard to have a "North Killian Way" or something like that if it's extended or changed.

1w Like Reply

Reply as (null)



Brad Benson
PS - Thank you all for you dedication to the community and for working through changes that will benefit emergency services in the future.

1w Like Reply



Angelica Moreno Hayes
Enjoyed listening in! Thank you for preparing for the future 😊