CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Alvin D. Osterback called the Assembly meeting to order by teleconference in each community on January 10, 2019 at 3:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Alvin D. Osterback	Present
Chris Babcock	Present
Carol Foster	Present
Warren Wilson	Present
Josephine Shangin	Present
Paul Gronholdt	Present
Brenda Wilson	Present
E. Ingrid Cumberlidge	Present

Advisory Members:

Dailey Schaack, Cold Bay	Present
Samantha McNeley, Nelson Lagoon	Present
Tom Hoblet, False Pass	Present
Logan Thompson, Student Representative	Present

A quorum was present.

Staff Present:
Roxann Newman, Finance Director
Tina Anderson, Clerk
Anne Bailey, Administrator
Laura Tanis, Communications Director
Mary Tesche, Assistant Administrator
Charlotte Levy, Assistant Resource Director
Emil Mobeck, Maintenance Director
Ernie Weiss, Resource Director
Glennora Dushkin, Administrative Assistant

Adoption of the Agenda:
PAUL moved to adopt the agenda with amendments.

- Resolution 19-32, word addition. Add the word <u>increased</u> to read, *increased state aid for construction in Regional Educational Attendance Areas.*
- Addition: New Business - Board of Fisheries funding and attendance.
- Addition: New Business - New State Ferry Discussion.

Hearing no objections, the agenda is approved.

Conflict of Interests:
Mayor Osterback asked for any potential **Conflict of Interests** to discuss. There were no conflict of interests.

Community Roll Call and Public Comments on Agenda Items:
The communities of King Cove, Sand Point, Akutan, Cold Bay, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon and the Anchorage office were participating by teleconference. Also broadcast on KSDP radio.

Presentation: Kelly Isham, AECOM:

Kelly Isham said AECOM is under contract with State of Alaska, Homeland Security to provide a Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan to several communities throughout Alaska, AEB is one of them. AECOM will provide a FEMA approved mitigation plan, which enables communities that adopt the plan to be eligible for FEMA funds. The plan is good for five years after adoption and enables communities to apply for funding. Sometimes 100% federally funded, or sometimes 75% funded, cost sharing with state the other 25%. Allows general fund and capital improvement funds to go towards projects that protect the communities for years to come, at less out-of-pocket cost. The plan will go out to the communities for review to enable the community to decide what to protect the most. For instance, transportation facilities or public facilities that need protection against natural disasters. An approved mitigation plan is required to make money more available to the communities. The Disaster Response and Recovery Act of 2018 allows assigned pre-disaster mitigation money, without congressional approval. This year is one of the largest funds, $251M. FEMA will roughly get several billion dollars next year. Significantly more than in the past. The push is to make communities more resilient, before something happens.

There are goals with five distinct natural hazards: earthquakes, flooding, ground failure, severe weather and volcanic activities. Some communities experience more than others, the plan will cover each community concerns. Plans are sent to the state for review and then state sends to FEMA for a 30-45 day review. He will get all information out to the public.

Minutes, December 13, 2018, Assembly Minutes:

MOTION

INGRID moved to approve the December 13, 2018 Assembly Meeting Minutes and second by PAUL

Correction:

The Administrator clarified a correction on page 5, School District contribution. Should be 2 mill, not $2 Million.

Hearing no objections, **MOTION CARRIED with correction.**

December Financial Reports:

MOTION

CHRIS moved to approve the December Financial Report and second by CAROL.

DISCUSSION

Administrator reviewed, saying Other Revenue is higher than expected, from unanticipated payment from a seafood processor. Also, State Revenue Other, higher than anticipated due to Community Assistance Program funding higher than anticipated.

Under expenditures, Assembly Dept. 105, is higher than other departments, due to Assembly meetings.

Chris asked about Fund 20, Dept 516, money appropriated to Cold Bay Pre-School Program and why there has not been invoices submitted. The Administrator said she has received invoices, and is still reviewing before submitting to the Finance Director for payment.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Carol, Warren, Ingrid, Brenda, Chris, Josephine, Paul. Advisory: Dailey, Logan, Tom, Samantha.
NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED

October, Investment Report:
In packet.

Consent Agenda.

- Resolution 19-32, in support of full funding from the State of Alaska for the school bond debt reimbursement and state aid for construction in Regional Education Attendance Areas.
- Resolution 19-33, supporting the full funding for the State of Alaska Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Program in the FY2020 State capital budget.

MOTION
BRENDA moved to approve the Consent Agenda and second by JOSEPHINE.

DISCUSSION
The Administrator reviewed saying Resolution 19-32, supports full funding for the State of Alaska School Bond Debt Reimbursement Program and increase State Aid for Construction in Regional Education Areas. In 2015, Legislature placed a 5-year moratorium on new projects eligible for the school bond debt reimbursement program. Also, in 2016, Legislature appropriated funds for the school debt reimbursement program, and the Governor reduced the funding by 25%. AEB lost $213,000 as a result of the line item reduction. Recommends supporting both programs.

Resolution 19-33, supports full funding for Harbor Facility Grant Program for FY2020. Majority of public harbors were constructed by State and later transferred to municipalities, many in very poor condition. The Governor and Legislature created the program to cover those construction costs. This year the AEB did not apply, but supports the municipalities that have applied, requesting $7.4M for matching fund, harbor projects. Hoping the program is available for future AEB projects. Recommend approval.

ROLL CALL
YEAS: Warren, Carol, Chris, Josephine, Ingrid, Paul, Brenda. Advisory: Samantha, Tom, Dailey, Logan.
NAY: None
MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCES

Introduction Ordinance 19-05, amending Title 4, Chapter 12.010, Section 4.12.010 of the Aleutians East Borough Code of Ordinances.

MOTION
WARREN moved to accept Introduction Ordinance 19-05 and set for Public Hearing. Second by INGRID.

DISCUSSION
Administrator reviewed saying, this will not allow one person to file for two seats on the Assembly or two seats on the School Board.

Paul suggested another ordinance be available at the next meeting to cover other issue. Mayor said during workshop there was discussion on a companion ordinance to be introduced, addressing one person filing for mayor and assembly.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Chris, Paul, Josephine, Warren, Brenda, Ingrid, Carol. Advisory: Tom, Logan, Dailey, Samantha.
NAY: None
MOTION CARRIED

Introduction Ordinance 19-06, amending Title 6, Chapter 6.04, Section 6.04.041, Subsection (E) of the Aleutians East Borough Code of Ordinances.

MOTION
INGRID moved to accept Introduction Ordinance 19-06 and set for Public Hearing. Second by CAROL.

DISCUSSION
Administrator reviewed Ordinance 19-06, saying APCM attended the workshop to review the recommended changes. This ordinance amends the Borough's asset classes by adding a few more for diversification, to reduce risk, without changing return expectations. APCM mentioned it is a volatile market. AEB investment dropped 5-6% in December. Diversifying more might be able to control that a little more.

Paul said APCM discussed during the workshop and provided a good presentation.at the December workshop.

ROLL CALL
YEAS: Paul, Brenda, Ingrid, Carol, Warren, Josephine, Chris. Advisory: Samantha, Dailey, Logan, Tom.
NAY: None
MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 19-34, authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute a contract with LCG Lantech, Inc. to provide architectural and engineering services for the Cold Bay Clinic project in an amount not to exceed $30,000.

MOTION
CAROL moved to approve Resolution 19-34 and second by CHRIS.

DISCUSSION
The Assistant Administrator reviewed Resolution 19-34.saying, LCG Lantech developed costs for 2017 construction. The design/costs need to be revised using updated building codes and standards, for a proposed 2020 construction. Will also review building material and energy efficiency.

Paul said the Assembly has been supportive of a new clinic in Cold Bay and this is another step closer.

Chris asked if this information will be available to the Assembly once completed. Tesche answered yes.

Mayor Osterback said, with the seafood processor developments in False Pass and more boats in the area, the clinic is becoming much more important.

ROLL CALL
YEAS: Chris, Warren, Carol, Brenda, Josephine, Ingrid, Paul. Advisory: Dailey, Tom, Samantha, Logan.

NAY: None
MOTION CARRIED

Resolution 19-35, Assembly selecting and promoting capital projects for the health, safety and welfare of its residents:

MOTION
PAUL moved to approve Resolution 19-35 with the addition of requesting state support for Akun Breakwater and Dock Project. Second by INGRID.

ROLL CALL
YEAS: Josephine, Ingrid. Paul, Chris, Carol, Brenda, Warren. Advisory: Samantha, Logan, Dailey, Tom.
NAY: None
MOTION CARRIED

Resolution 19-36, authorizing a temporary construction easement and a donation to the State of Alaska for the construction of the Sand Point Dock Ferry Terminal.

MOTION
CAROL moved to approve Resolution 19-36 and second by JOSEPHINE.

DISCUSSION
The Administrator said, as part of the project, Dept of Transportation (DOT) needs to have an easement. AEB has a 1/5 interest in property -- Tract A, Tideland 1232. This will allow DOT temporary access to cross and install the Sand Point dock. The temporary construction easement will expire after construction is completed. The AEB will donate the land described in the description. AEB will give an appraisal. The City of Sand Pt has already signed their agreement.

ROLL CALL
YEAS: Ingrid, Paul, Warren, Chris, Brenda, Carol, Josephine. Advisory: Samantha, Tom, Logan, Dailey.
NAY: None
MOTION CARRIED

Resolution 19-37, Assembly authorizing an amendment to the contract with McClintock Land Associates for the Port Moller Survey Project.

MOTION
WARREN moved to approve Resolution 19-37 and second by BRENDA.

DISCUSSION
The Resource Director said Resolution 19-37 will authorize McClintock to complete the survey, allowing AEB to pursue the land entitlements. The amendment will add an additional $10,900 for a total of $73, 008.81 and extend contract to end of 2018.

ROLL CALL
YEAS: Brenda, Ingrid, Warren, Carol, Paul, Josephine, Chris. Advisory: Samantha, Dailey, Logan, Tom.
NAY: None
MOTION CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS

Pacific Marine Expo:

Mayor Osterback said the Assembly discussed at the work session whether to reserve a booth at Marine Expo next year. Everyone supported reserving a booth, with changes to handouts, and a display update.

(JOSEPHINE excused for Russian Orthodox Christmas celebration.)

Weiss said, as we move forward, can discuss whether a fisheries meeting is necessary at Expo.

Ingrid requested the costs for Marine Expo. The Finance Director said approximately $10,000.

Daily asked what purpose the booth serves and how much does it benefit AEB. Mayor Osterback said boat harbors and services in a community are advertised. Good to have numbers for fuel distributers, stores, and companies that exist in our communities. Provides fishermen with new and updated information, and keeps AEB on the map.

Paul said fisheries meeting had an excellent turnout, people were curious on processor construction activities in False Pass. However, not sure if a fisheries meeting is necessary next year, as stated by the Resource Director.

Warren supports a fisheries meeting next year. He feels every year it is important and always fisheries issues between Alaska and Washington.

Brenda supports Fish Expo. She said this year, there were many younger people who don't know the options in our region and more young people are getting into the fisheries.

Financial Support for Concerned Area M Fishermen (CAMF) for the 2019 Alaska Board of Fisheries:

Mayor Osterback said CAMF requested financial support for Board of Fish legal costs. The AEB has provided funding for Seiners Association to help with professional services. He recommends $5,000 to be donated to CAMF.

Tom said, in talking with the City and False Pass, they may donate to the organization also.

There was no opposition to a $5,000 donation to CAMF. $5,000 donation will be made.

AEB amount of funds to be spent and people to be transported to Board of Fish meeting:

Mayor Osterback said we know how much budgeted. AEB needs to spend what is required to get us through the meeting, working with other groups and figuring out how many people to send, and also to share costs with other entities for travel and per diem.

Ingrid feels it is a high priority and supports sending as many as possible. AEB budgeted $41,000 and tribe estimated about $3,700 per person. Supports sending as many people as we can to support our fishery.

Mayor Osterback suggested people contact the Borough Clerk, if they wish to attend and need assistance.

Warren reiterated what Ingrid said to get more people out there to testify.

Mayor Osterback said it is good to have experts there but fishermen testifying are necessary to answer Board questions.

City of Sand Point Mayor, Glen Gardner, suggested discussing a stand down with the processors, so fishermen can testify.

Paul agreed with Ingrid.

Logan supports sending young fishermen, such as teenagers to testify. He feels they will be influential on all parts because our youth are the future. Mayor Osterback supports the idea.

New State of Alaska ferry to match the docks in the area:
Tom said he is not sure when the Tustemena replacement ferry will be in operation, but wants to insure it is capable of landing in False Pass.

Ernie Weiss said he will follow up and will pay close attention on the proposed new ferry to be able to land at all our docks, as it moves forward.

Paul added that the Buy America Act waiver is held up due to the federal shutdown.

REPORTS AND UPDATES

Administrator's Report in the packet. Highlights below:

Essential Air Service (EAS): The government shutdown has delayed the Akun/Akutan EAS from moving forward. Once in place, AEB will be responsible of paying 50% of helicopter operations. Working on finalizing agreement for transfer of helicopter operation to Maritime.

Strategic Initiative: Will meet with PGS to finalize strategic plan to go before the Assembly at the February Assembly meeting.

Dock Repairs: Contacted engineer to get a quote for Nelson Lagoon dock repairs and Cold Bay Dock feasibility study.

Community Budget Request Process: The request form was sent out to all the communities for project funding requests, due back before March 15.

Chris said if there is a strategic planning session next year, he suggested to not schedule in December, travel is difficult at that time of the year.

Assistant Administrator Report in packet. Highlights below:

Akutan Harbor Projects: Working on Corps of Engineers harbor mitigation requirements; received the Harbor Operations and Development Plan back from City of Akutan; and updating the Harbor Facilities Management Plan handbook.

Nelson Lagoon School Renovations: Assessment report has been completed by DOWL. Will send to Nelson Lagoon Tribal Council soon.

Helicopter Operations: In December, 274 passengers; 12,129 lbs. of freight; two charters with 49 passengers; tickets outstanding for FY19 is $83,000, majority Trident Seafoods for recent invoices and some personal passengers.

Travel: In Sand Point now; travelling to Akutan Monday; and Juneau following week.

Paul asked what the Juneau trip is for. Tesche said meet and greet, promoting AEB projects.

Communications Director Report in packet. Highlights below:

Annual Report: Working on final stages of AEB Annual Report for FY2018.

Telecommunication Surveys: Survey was sent out to communities to rate satisfaction or dissatisfaction of telecommunications. Around 45 responses have been returned.

Board of Fisheries meeting: Meeting room at Sheraton reserved two days prior to February Board of Fisheries meeting. Special room rate at Sheraton, $100 room rate, $150 suite rate.

Strategic Planning Session: Power Point presentations from strategic planning session have been added to the AEB website.

Chris supports the telecommunications survey, although not happy with the returns. He asked if the final results will be sent to the telecommunications entities showing concerns in the region. Tanis answered yes.

Chris suggested the new Eastern Aleutian Tribes CEO be requested to attend an Assembly meeting to introduce herself.

Resource Director Report in Packet. Highlights below:

NPFMC: Portland NPFMC is still going forward even with Federal shutdown.

National Fish & Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) Grants: Links to the pilot kelp mariculture project and electronic monitoring trawl program grants are on the website.

Contracts: Contract with Eric Volk until April as fishery analyst; contract with Kate Reedy to do a socioeconomic study for salmon.

Fisheries meetings: Lots of fishermen participation in fisheries meetings, next meeting on December 17th.

ADF&G Commissioner: Doug Vincent-Lang has been appointed Acting Commissioner by new Governor Dunleavy.

Federal Government Shutdown: If shutdown continues, it will build up more problems for the winter fishery. Inspectors and observers will not be able to continue to work if shutdown continues.

Assistant Resource Director. Highlights below:

NFWF, Electronic Monitoring Project: Saltwater is in Sand Point installing the electronic monitoring systems and will coordinate with a local young person as an on-call tech person.

Kelp Mariculture Project: Building underwater remotely operated camera to assess site suitability. Will be scouting kelp site and collecting water samples in Sand Point. Then will do the same in Akutan on Monday.

Marine Debris Project: will submit a proposal to NFWF for new grant cycle.

Ocean Cluster Kelp Committee: monthly meeting with stakeholders of those interested in kelp mariculture.

Maintenance Director Report. Highlights below:

Sand Pt School contractors: Contractors tentative dates are February 4, for two weeks. Bering coming first, Long and Wired AK following. Will have all three here at the same time.

Hurricane wind storm damage: Sand Pt. School roof repairs were needed after the storm.

Akutan travel: Will be travelling out there to review needs.

Work Orders: Many work orders coming in from school sites.

Mayor's Update:

America's Finest waiver: F/V America's Finest received Jones Act waiver with sidebars. The shipyard in Anacortes no longer will have to consider bankruptcy.

ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

Ingrid noted lobbyist report on possible restoration of earmarks. She suggests actively seeking support for projects through that avenue. Bailey is aware and everyone is looking forward to that happening. In the past, AEB got a lot of projects funded through earmarks.

Paul said SWAMC meeting February 27-28. A lot of info on automated seafood processing and hopefully the new governor will show up.

Warren said the Board of Fisheries takes written comments for those that can't attend the meetings to testify. Mayor Osterback added, even if attending, you can also submit written comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

City of Sand Point Mayor, Glen Gardner, thanked the Assembly for supporting of Resolution 19-36.

City of King Cove Mayor, Henry Mack, provided a community update saying, zincs have been placed on ferry dock and bulkhead, to extend its life 30 more years; preparations are being made for extensive repairs on hydro; and travel lift repairs are getting completed.

Tom said 60-70 construction workers came into False Pass for Silver Bay Seafoods construction and will be ready to buy fish June 10.

NEXT MEETING DATE
February 14, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT
Paul moved to adjourn. Hearing no more, the meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Mayor Alvin D. Osterback

Tina Anderson, Clerk

Date: 2/14/19