

Aleutians East Borough  
February 17, 2011  
5:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mack called the February 17, 2011 Assembly meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. by teleconference in each community.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Stanley Mack	Present
Paul Gronholdt	Present
Carol Foster	Present
Marvin Mack	Present
Bill Cumberlidge	Present
Paul Schaack	Present
Joe Bereskin, Sr.	Absent - Excused
Justine Gundersen	Present

Advisory Members:

Tom Hoblet, False Pass	Absent- Unexcused
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A quorum was present.

Others Present:

Sharon Boyette, Administrator  
Roxann Newman, Finance Director  
Tina Anderson, Clerk  
Ernie Weiss, Community Development Director  
Laura Tanis, Communications Director

Agenda Additions/changes:

- New Business, Opt out of Financial Disclosure Statement requirement.
- Cold Bay Terminal

Adoption of Agenda:

Justine moved to adopt the agenda with the additions and second by Marvin. There were no objections the agenda was approved.

Community roll call and public comment on Agenda items:

Cold Bay: Dane Lyons, George Lopez  
Sand Point: Melvin Larsen  
King Cove: none  
Nelson Lagoon: none  
Akutan: not connected  
False Pass: not connected

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Melvin Larsen, from the public, asked if AEB can categorize fish tax income from salmon and trawling and pot fishing or does data collected only have amounts based by community, species and gear.

The Administrator said she can break down fish tax report by species, by processor and by month and the report can give you pounds, value or tax dollars.

Paul G. said catch reports on the NMFS website shows catch report by gear.

Mr. Larsen said his concern is that we might be required to have observers in one year to a year and a half. Bering Sea observer program went through a 5-year process. Here in our communities, they want to implement a program in one year. Salmon by-catch is the cause. He feels we need to slow this process down to make sure we get the facts before they implement something on us. Mayor Mack said we discussed at the last meeting and it was already set in motion at that time. He said AEB had a special financial request at that meeting prior to him receiving information on what is happening. Mr. Larsen explained last year they got hit on king salmon, outside vessels caught the bulk of them. It has not been an ongoing issue, but just this last year. Mayor Mack said salmon are being caught just not at the magnitude as last year.

Mr. Larsen asked how it will affect Sam Cotton working for the AEB now that he is also working for the Aleut Corporation. Mayor Mack assured Mr. Larsen that it won't affect AEB consultant, Sam Cotton's ability to support AEB communities.

Mayor Mack said it has been difficult getting information he needs on fisheries issues, he feels information comes to his office after the fact. The Resource Director is trying to keep on these issues, but he has not been able to get fully informed on the issues himself. Melvin requested assistance from Sam Cotton in order to move away from Duncan Fields. What is good for small communities in Kodiak might not be good for the small communities of Sand Point, King Cove and False Pass. Mayor Mack said he sits on GOAC3 (Gulf of Alaska Coastal Communities Coalition), if there is a conflict he is not sure what it is. Melvin pointed out that seiners here are small boats. Mayor Mack asked for suggestions and if you see issues of concern coming in our direction, to inform him ahead. He feels he isn't getting the information and has discussed this with the Resource Director. He asked Mr. Larson to inform him on issues as well.

Minutes, January 12, 2011:

MOTION

Carol moved to approve the January 12, 2011 Minutes as presented and second by Justine. Hearing no objections the January 12, 2011 Minutes are approved.

Financial Report, January, 2011:

MOTION

Paul S. moved to approve and second by Justine.

Paul G. said in looking under the Admin Dept, Administration salary is high asking if that is due to the Assistant Administrator position. The Administrator answered yes.

Paul G. said Public Information and Resource Dept. are combined together on the budget. The Finance director will work to separate the two departments.

Paul G. asked how the hovercraft tent damage is getting repaired and where the money is coming from. Mayor Mack said hopefully from AML/JIA insurance minus deductible. The Administrator said materials have been ordered already but not in Anchorage yet. She will work with Peter Pan to get the material to King Cove. AEB may have to pay for repairs up front. The Finance Director said door parts arrived in King Cove already.

ROLL CALL

Marvin-yes, Justine-yes, Bill-yes, Paul G.-yes, Carol-yes, Paul S.-yes. MOTION PASSED.

Investment Reports:

In packet.

Resolution 11-20, supporting an application to the Alaska Energy Authority for an Emerging Energy Technology Fund Grant for False Pass Tidal Resource and Energy Assessment:

MOTION

Bill moved to adopt and second by Carol.

DISCUSSION None

ROLL CALL

Paul S.-yes, Paul G.-yes, Justine-yes, Marvin-yes, Carol-yes, Bill-yes. MOTION PASSED.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing Ordinance 11-01, Amending the FY11 Budget:

MOTION

Justine moved to approve and second by Marvin.

Mayor Mack opened for Public Hearing. Hearing none public hearing closed.

DISCUSSION

Paul G. said there are some things he would like to change, however, there is only three months left on this budget. He suggested a workshop to do a thorough review of the entire budget prior to introduction and public hearing in order to look at things in a different way. Mayor Mack said perhaps he can get together with the Finance Director and Administrator to do a preliminary budget for the Assembly to review. Paul G. felt that would be useful.

NEW BUSINESS

Ports and Harbors:

Report reviewed at the workshop by Anne Bailey. It will be updated and brought back to the Assembly at the next meeting.

Opting out of Financial Disclosure Statement:

Paul G. suggested a draft ordinance be available at the next meeting, to give us time to discuss. The Clerk will work on.

Cold Bay Terminal:

The Administrator will put together a terminal report.

REPORTS AND UPDATES

In packet.

ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

Justine suggested a meeting with the school board. She feels small schools are still being neglected, maintenance is not good. Mayor Mack will talk to the Superintendent. Justine said there has been no contact on maintenance issues. She feels we need to come to a resolution on how our small schools are going to be addressed as well as the maintenance.

Bill said enjoyable time at SWAMC feels the AEB should be a sponsor for a coffee break next time since we have not done this for a few years.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

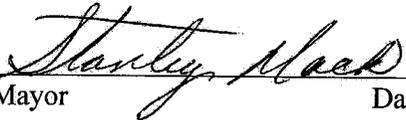
**NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION**

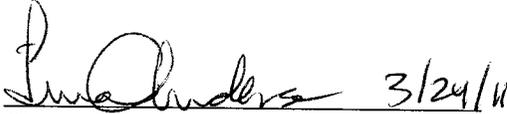
Next meeting in March, date to be determined later. Location Anchorage.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION**

Marvin moved to adjourn and second by Paul S. Hearing no objections the meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

  
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Mayor Date

  
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Clerk Date