

Aleutians East Borough Minutes  
October 10, 2014

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Mack called the Special Assembly meeting to order on October 10, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. by teleconference in each community.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Stanley Mack	Present
Paul Gronholdt	Present
Carol Foster	Present
Marvin Mack	Present
Alvin D. Osterback	Present
Ken McHugh	Present
Joe Bereskin, Sr.	Absent-Excused
Brenda Wilson	Absent-Unexcused

**Advisory Members:**

Nikki Hoblet, False Pass	Present
Harold Kremer III, Cold Bay	Present
Justine Gundersen, Nelson Lagoon	Present

A quorum was present.

**Staff Present:**

Rick Gifford, Administrator  
Roxann Newman, Finance Director  
Anne Bailey, Assistant Administrator  
Tina Anderson, Clerk  
Laura Tanis, Communications

**Adoption of Agenda:**

**MOTION**

Carol moved to adopt the agenda and second by Alvin. Hearing no objections motion passed.

**Community Roll Call and Public Comment on Agenda:**

The communities of Akutan, Sand Point, King Cove, False Pass, Cold Bay, and Nelson Lagoon participated. There were no public comments on agenda items.

Authorization to the Mayor to spend up to \$220,000 for Quality Asphalt Paving (QAP) to pave the Sand Point AEB office parking lot:

## MOTION

Ken moved to approve the authorization for the Mayor to spend up to \$220,000 for Quality Asphalt Paving to pave the Sand Point AEB office parking lot. Second by Carol.

## DISCUSSION

Justine said she does not support the paving project. She feels \$220,000 can be used on more important projects, for instance, the Nelson Lagoon dock repairs that are needed.

Carol agrees with Justine. She understands paving projects don't happen in the community too often but does not support the \$220,000 for paving the parking lot.

If approved, the Administrator proposed the money come from the permanent fund earnings.

Mayor Mack said there has been nothing going toward the AEB building repairs and in particular the Sand Point building, which has been neglected. There is a heating issue and under the building there is a water drainage issue. He wasn't aware of the paving project coming in until QAP was here and have oil left over. He said grading the snow off the parking lot takes off the top soil having to replace it. Not sure when the next paving project is going to be, so feels we can spend that money and get this done while they are here.

Alvin does not support spending \$220,000 for paving. We have a lot of other projects that are a priority already. He also feels proper drainage on the road to driveway is needed prior to any paving of parking lot.

The Administrator said he discussed the road with the City of Sand Point Administrator Andy Varner who did talk to QAP and came up with about \$50,000 to pave the road to AEB driveway. However, before road the drainage needed to be fixed, which did not get done. QAP came out to do the city job and then Trident wanted paving. Then we found out they have enough oil to do the parking lot at \$15.69 per square foot, which is expensive but includes grading and preparation work. That is the reason we couldn't do ahead of time, because trying to do in conjunction with the road that the city did not get it done. The funds could come out of the general fund but should be taken out of permanent fund earnings.

Harold agrees with Justine that there are more important projects and paving is a luxury item.

Paul heard QAP was planning to pave the basketball court at the school for free. He does not like the idea of taking away the free basketball court because AEB took paving. He suggested possibly just paving half of parking lot. He added if the tribal entity gets funding to pave road toward boat harbor maybe there will be another paving project in the not too far future.

Carol does not support doing half of parking lot either.

Justine said, if there are surplus funds, she would like the Nelson Lagoon dock repairs be considered for funding.

