

Aleutians East Borough Assembly Minutes
April 28, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mack called the Regular Assembly meeting to order by teleconference in each community on April 28, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Stanley Mack	Present
Chris Babcock	Present
Carol Foster	Present
Warren Wilson	Absent-Unexcused
Alvin D. Osterback	Present
Ken McHugh	Present
Joe Bereskin, Sr.	Absent-Unexcused
Brenda Wilson	Present

Advisory Members:

Chris Emrich, False Pass	Present
Angela Simpson, Cold Bay	Present (<i>for roll call only due to power outage</i>)
Justine Gundersen, Nelson Lagoon	Present

A quorum was present.

Staff Present:

- Rick Gifford, Administrator
- Jacki Brandell, Finance Assistant
- Tina Anderson, Clerk
- Anne Bailey, Administrator Assistant
- Laura Tanis, Communications Director
- Ernie Weiss, Resource Director

Adoption of the Agenda:

MOTION

Alvin moved to approve the agenda as presented and second by Carol. No objections,
MOTION PASSED.

Community Roll Call and Public Comments on Agenda Items:

The communities of King Cove, False Pass, Sand Point, Nelson Lagoon, Cold Bay, and the Anchorage office were participating.

City of King Cove Mayor, Henry Mack, thanked Mayor Stanley Mack for the King Cove road access effort. He said the City of King Cove finances is a serious concern and they are discussing raising rates at city level. The AEB and city has a Memorandum of Agreement drafted to be signed by both soon. In the Memorandum is the last \$825,000 to be put in place after the hovercraft is sold. He is requesting the AEB give the \$825,000 to King Cove prior to the hovercraft being sold before December, 2016. He suggested the AEB take it out of the Permanent Fund or borrow against the sale of the hovercraft.

Minutes, February 11, March 24, March 31, 2016:

MOTION

Alvin moved to approve the February 11, March 24, and March 31 Minutes and second by Brenda. Hearing no more **MOTION PASSED.**

Financial Reports, February, March 2016:

MOTION

Brenda moved to approve the February and March Financial Reports and second by Carol.

DISCUSSION

Alvin reminded the Administrator to clarify the excessive amount under Dept. 867, fringe benefits in the February Financial he brought up at the workshop. The Administrator will get an explanation from the Finance Director.

ROLL CALL

Ken-yes, Brenda-yes, Carol-yes Alvin-yes, Chris B.-yes. Advisory: Justine-yes, Chris E.-yes. **MOTION PASSED.**

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing Ordinance 16-04, Amending the Operating and Capital Budget for FY16:

MOTION

Brenda moved to approve Ordinance 16-04 and second by Chris.

Mayor Mack opened for Public Hearing. Hearing none, Public Hearing closed.

ROLL CALL

Carol-yes, Ken-yes, Chris B.-yes, Alvin-yes. Advisory: Justine-yes, Chris E.-yes. **MOTION PASSED.**

ORDINANCES

Introduction Ordinance 16-06, the Operating and Capital Budget for FY17:

MOTION

Alvin moved to accept Ordinance 16-06 and set for Public Hearing. Second by Ken.

AMENDMENT

Carol moved to increase the School District contribution amount by \$140,000, totaling the contribution amount to \$940,000. Second by Alvin.

ROLL CALL ON AMENDMENT

Alvin-yes, Chris B.-yes, Carol-yes, Brenda-yes, Ken-yes. Advisory: Chris E., Justine-yes. MOTION PASSED.

ROLL CALL ON MAIN MOTION

Carol-yes, Brenda-yes, Chris B.-yes, Ken-yes, Alvin-yes. Advisory: Justine-yes, Chris-E.-yes. MOTION PASSED.

OLD BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS

Final Fiscal Year 2015 Audit Report:

Enclosed in the packet is the 2015 AEB Audit Report. Mayor Mack asked if there are any questions or concerns. Brenda said the audit looks good and acknowledged the Finance Director, Roxann Newman, for making sure everything is in order for the audit.

REPORTS AND UPDATES

In packet.

ASSEMBLY COMMENTS None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

City of King Cove Mayor, Henry Mack, said King Cove had a community meeting regarding the influx of illegal drugs into their city. It was a very productive meeting with around 75 participants. The city now has a direct hotline for anyone who wants to report any illegal drug activity to help the police department curtail the drugs coming in, the number is 497-7676. He said a lot of drugs trafficking is by airplane. He asked if the AEB could do any police enforcement in Cold Bay to assist in preventing drugs from coming into the region. The illegal drug problem is taking good people and destroying families and he would appreciate any assistance available from the AEB.

Mayor Henry Mack also asked about the material coming off the school construction project. There are a few individuals in the community that would make use of the materials coming off the building. He added, regarding the drug issue, he hopes the Assembly and Administration begin discussions on solutions. This is a very important concern to our community. We are going to continue to talk about and get our families whole again. Mayor Stanley Mack said there had been effort to get a Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) into Cold Bay, however, prior to a

