



MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA
REGULAR ASSEMBLY MEETING

June 2, 2022
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1. Call to Order:

Mayor Cremata called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Cremata formally acknowledged that the Assembly is gathered on the traditional land of the Chilkat people.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

2. Roll Call:

Present: Mayor: Andrew Cremata **Assembly Members:** Sam Bass, Jay Burnham, Orion Hanson, Reba Hylton, Deb Potter, Dustin Stone

Absent:

3. Approval of Minutes:

A. May 19, 2022

B. May 24, 2022 Board of Equalization / Special Assembly

Main Motion/Second: Hanson/Bass

To approve the May 19, 2022 Regular Meeting minutes.

The main motion passed by roll call vote, 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent.

[*Clerk's Note: The May 24, 2022 Board of Equalization / Special Assembly minutes were complete in time for approval at this meeting.]

4. Approval of Agenda:

Main Motion/Second: Hanson/Potter

To approve the June 2, 2022 Regular Assembly meeting agenda.

The main motion passed as amended by roll call vote, 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent.

5. Reports of Officials and Committees:

A. Mayor's Report:

Mayor Cremata indicated that there is a mayor's report included in the meeting packet and added:

- That he had positive meetings with four of U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski's staff while they were in town. Cremata indicated his thanks to them for visiting Skagway.
- That Juneau is adamantly opposed to the Princess Medallion program. That using the Princess Medallion program weaponize cruise ship passengers against local businesses is a bad idea.

- There have been incidences of people entering city hall staff offices without prior notice. That the Public Safety Committee should identify and implement safety protocols so that lives of staff members are protected and that their time is uninterrupted by unplanned visitation.

B. Assembly Committee Reports:

1. Assemblymember Jay Burnham:

Motion/Second: Burnham/Bass

To approve the check run dated June 2, 2022 totaling: \$1,208,502.17.

Motion passed by roll call vote, 5 yes, 1 no, 0 absent; with Assemblymember Hanson dissenting.

Assemblymember Hanson indicated that he did not have the check run in his packet for review.

2. **Assemblymember Hylton** indicated that the Health, Education & Welfare committee met on Wednesday, May 25, 2022. The committee review Resolutions 22-15R and 16R regarding childcare and reviewed the Dahl Memorial Clinic appraisal.
3. Assemblymember Potter indicated that she will be scheduling a Parks & Recreation Committee meeting Tuesday, June 7 at 7:00 p.m.

C. Reports from Boards, Commissions, and Solid Waste Advisory Committee

- Report from the Dahl Memorial Clinic Board of Directors (Dated June 1, 2022)

D. Manager's Report :

Manager Ryan indicated that, in addition to his written report:

- Staff is working hard to have a multi-use cruise dock in place for the winter of 2023.
 - This will require an expedited schedule.
 - The Municipality has design which are under review.
 - He is hopeful to go out to bid on June 7, which a bid award a week later.
 - This will require a Special Assembly meeting the week of the 20th.
- Staff is working very hard. Everyone is doing the best they can and are tired already
 - Especially Public Safety and EMS.
 - Manager Ryan indicated that he really appreciates their efforts.

6. Communications to the Assembly:

A. Correspondence:

Correspondence was received from:

- D.Brena re An Experienced Port Director (May 20, 2022)
- Healy re Support for Bites on Broadway (May 30, 2022)
- Skagway Arts Council re Use of Second Liquor Permit Request (May 27, 2022)

B. Hear Citizens Present:

Max Jewell indicated that he would like to write a letter indicating his business intentions and shed light on circumstances.

Lisa Hollander indicated:

- That regarding the upcoming vote, on the clinic sale:
 - It is very important to get accurate information out there.
 - SEARHC is requesting questions from the public on KHNS.
 - Is the city taking responsibility for publicizing other ways of gathering information?

Melinda Munson indicated:

- The second townhall regarding the vote on the clinic occurs the day before for the July 12 special election; this is not enough time for the public to process information.

Police Chief, Jerry Reddick indicated:

- His thanks to the Assembly, Manager, and staff for their continued support.

7. Ordinances, Resolutions, & Proclamations:

- A.** Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 22-04: Amending the FY22 Sales Tax Fund, General Fund, and Visitor Fund Budgets to Account for School Funding Adjustments, Winter Shuttle Service, Unemployment Assistance, Administrative Software, and Assembly Equipment

Motion/Second: Hanson/Burnham For second reading, public hearing and adoption of Ordinance 22-04.

Motion passed by roll call vote, 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent.

- B.** Public Hearing and Adoption of Resolution No. 22-15R: Providing Grant Support for Licensed Childcare Provider Start-ups in Skagway

Motion/Second: Hylton/Potter For public hearing and adoption of Resolution 22-15R.

Assemblymember Hylton indicated that there is currently only one year-round childcare and that is not enough to meet the needs of the community; this resolution will help new childcare providers succeed and offer Skagway families as much assistance as possible.

Motion passed by roll call vote, 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent.

- C.** Public Hearing and Adoption of Resolution No. 22-16R: Providing Year-round Support for Licensed Childcare Providers in Skagway

Main Motion/Second: Hylton/Potter For public hearing and adoption of Resolution 22-16R.

Assemblymember Stone indicated that he would prefer if the solution provided annual grants in place of monthly stipends.

Assemblymember Bass indicated that he would like the Finance Committee to review the resolution.

Secondary Motion/Second: Hanson/Burnham To postpone Resolution No. 22-16R until it has been reviewed by the Finance Committee.

Secondary Motion passed by roll call vote, 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent.

8. Unfinished Business:

9. New Business:

A. Consideration of Liquor License Applications

1. Bites on Broadway, Restaurant/Eating Place-Public Convenience Seasonal Liquor License #6053 Application

Motion/Second: Stone/Hanson To protest liquor license application #6053.

Motion failed by roll call vote, 0 yes, 6 no, 0 absent.

2. Garden City Enterprises, LLC, DBA Jewell Gardens, Restaurant/Eating Place—Public Convenience Seasonal, Liquor License #5658 Renewal Application

Motion/Second: Stone/Potter To protest liquor license application #5658.

Motion/Second: Hanson/Potter To postpone the protest of liquor license renewal #5658 until the first Assembly meeting in July.

Motion passed by roll call vote, 4 yes, 2 no, 0 absent; with Assemblymembers Potter and Burnham dissenting.

B. Consideration of Liquor License Applications

1. Remedy Shoppe, LLC, Retail Marijuana License #10149 Renewal Application

Assemblymember Bass requested to recuse himself as he is a co-owner of the Remedy Shoppe; the Assembly had no objection.

Motion/Second: Stone/Hanson to protest the Remedy Shoppe, LLC retail, marijuana license #10149 renewal application.

Motion failed by roll call vote, 0 yes, 5 no, 0 absent, 1 recusal; Assemblymember Bass was recused from voting and participation.

C. Approval of Dahl Memorial Clinic Appraisal

Motion/Second: Hanson/Burnham to approve the Dahl Memorial Clinic Appraisal by Reliant, LLC dated May 24, 2022.

Manager Ryan indicated that the appraisal is only for the Clinic building and land, and that the appraisal amount of \$9,500,000 is the minimum the Municipality can sell the facility for; a further negotiation could adjust the sale amount to be higher.

Motion passed by roll call vote, 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent.

7. Executive Session:

6. Mayor and Assembly Discussion Items:

Assemblymember Potter indicated that there were 18 mass shootings in over the past week and that active shoot training for Municipal employees is a great idea. Potter indicated that June is Pride Month, which began with the Stonewall Rebellion in 1969 and led to a place where she can be legally married. Potter indicated that LGBTQ youth suicide rates are not great, and she is proud to live in a supportive community.

Assemblymember Hylton indicated that she plans to do some personal outreach to the community regarding the Clinic sale vote. Hylton indicated that she is supportive of Resolution 22-16R going to the Finance Committee for review; and that getting childcare resources improved in Skagway was the reason she originally ran for public office.

Assemblymember Stone indicated that his concern regarding Resolution 22-16R was that it involved monthly payments instead of a yearly stipend or grant funding.

Assemblymember Bass inquired why the clinic sale was not going toward an RFP and added that that process is valid to know what is available in the market.

Assemblymember Stone indicated that a patron of his business indicated that they were canceling their travel due to the recent mass shootings. Stone indicated that he has never heard of someone canceling their travel because they are afraid for their safety. Stone indicated that the country is experiencing an unprecedented mental health crisis.

Assemblymember Hanson indicated that local softball is beginning again, Monday nights. Hanson also indicated that he would remind drivers to remain cognizant of their surroundings as there is a lot of pedestrian, bicycle, bus, and general traffic due to the current local economy.

Assemblymember Burnham indicated that his son Benjamin graduated from High School and he is very proud of him.

Mayor Cremata indicated his thanks to Norwegian Cruise Lines and Royal Caribbean for their significant donations to Skagway and other communities.

12. Adjournment:

With no more business on the agenda, Mayor Cremata adjourned the regular Assembly meeting of June 2, 2022 at 8:18 p.m.

Andrew Cremata, Mayor

ATTEST:

Steve Burnham Jr., Borough Clerk

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Approved: June 2, 2022