

Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly Special Meeting Minutes Monday, October 7, 2019 - 9:00 A.M. Assembly Chambers - Kotzebue, AK

CALL TO ORDER

President Hadley called meeting to order at 9:08 A.M.

INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

Member Loon provided invocation.

ROLL CALL/MEMBER EXCUSAL

Assembly Members present at the time of roll call:

Elmer Armstrong Jr.

Kirk Oviok Jr.

Dood Carr

Austin Swan Sr.

Sandy Shroyer Beaver Hannah Loon Walter Sampson

Larry Westlake Sr.

Reggie Joule III Nathan Hadley Jr.

Miles Cleveland Sr.

Introduction of Staff and Guests

Lucy Nelson

Nelda Swan

Coltrane Chase

Helena Hildreth

Matt Mead

John Chase Martha Whiting Chuck Greene Delores Barr

Joe Carr

Angel Jones

Excused

Kyleigha Wilson

A quorum was present to conduct business.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda presented for approval with no changes.

Member Carr motioned to approve the agenda presented, seconded by Member Sampson. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

RESOLUTIONS

 Resolution 19-62 a resolution of the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly certifying the October 1, 2019 General Election results.

Mayor Nelson summarized Resolution 19-62. Canvas Chair Angel Jones provided results. Member Carr thank Clerk for great job that the judges did. Member Shroyer Beaver thank those involved in the Elections; as a constituent the turnout is very low. For future Elections, hope people get out and vote; they do count.

Member Sampson motion to approve Resolution 18-25, seconded by Member Loon; motion passed unanimously by roll call.

Deputy Clerk Hildreth provided swear in of the Elected Officials; Delores Barr, Miles Cleveland Sr, Nathan Hadley Jr. and Dood Carr.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Mr. Larry Westlake thank everyone while he sat on the Assembly; thank the clerk for running the Election. He thanks Assembly, Administration and staff, good to be part of these years. He hopes we move forward with the new school at the new site, commit the next few years. Mr. Westlake applaud Mr. Greene and Assembly President Andy Baker for moving forward with new schools. He will continue being part of Public Services. Mr. Westlake congratulates the new Assembly person. Have a good day, thank you.

ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

Member Shroyer Beaver thank Mr. Westlake for years of service and dedication. Welcome those that have been reelected and welcome Delores. Thank you.

Member Armstrong thank Mr. Westlake for many years of service, good to work on issues with you. Welcome Delores to Assembly, Dood, Miles and Nathan; thank you.

Member Joule thank Mr. Westlake for knowledge and history that you've shared with all. Welcome new members and reelected; look forward too many years of public service with you all.

Member Swan thank Mr. Westlake for being the backbone all these years. Welcome to Delores and we will continue to move forward.

Member Cleveland thank the voters, candidates and Mr. Westlake for wisdom, knowledge and all his input. Certainly, welcome to comment. Welcome to the reelected and to Delores. Thank staff and Mayor for all you do; once right decision is made for our people then it will be easy. Thank you.

Member Oviok thank President. Good to see Miles back, thank you for your leadership to Mr. Westlake. Like Miles said, may have stronger voice out there. Welcome Delores.

Member Sampson thank Mr. Westlake for strong leadership, he always been active individual as governance of this body. He had been part of Search & Rescue for many years, thank you for that service. To the other members, thank you for continued governance. Welcome to Delores Barr and to each of you here.

Member Loon thank Mr. Westlake for contributing about our way of life, he had been involved in Subsistence Advisory Council that he has been involved in many years. Thank him for his contribution of Joint Maintenance Construction Committee; he may continue to represent our Borough. Congratulations to those that have been reelected, she expressed the importance of voting. Thank you.

Member Carr thank Mr. Westlake for years and commitment, as you haven't seen you've had standing ovation. Congratulations to those that have been reelected, know it was a busy

time of hunting. She thanks Thomas Baker, her opponent; thank him for her realizing she like working with the Region. Thank Mayor and Administration, continue to be busy. Honored to be back, thank you President Hadley.

Member Barr humbled and honored to be here. Appreciate everyone's votes and hope to make you proud.

Youth Representative Chase congratulates Delores Barr, welcome back Dood, Nathan and Miles; thank you.

Elder Representative echoes everybody's comments, welcome back to reelected; sorry to see Mr. Westlake go. Welcome Delores, only way is through prayer. Always pray before doing anything. Thank you.

President Hadley thank Mr. Westlake for service at Borough, learned a lot from him. He is impressed with leadership; like Member Sampson said there maybe disagreements although we do the best for the Borough. Welcome Delores, and to those that have been reelected. Thank you to the voters. He asked who is interested in AML, to let the clerk know.

Member Carr motion to excuse Youth Representative Wilson, seconded by Member Loon; motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

MAYORS COMMENTS

Mayor Nelson congratulates the reelected, welcome Delores. Thank you to Mr. Westlake; known him a long time, appreciate knowledge, courage and support. Democracy at work, don't know until voting time. She always encourages people to be involved to be heard. Thank Matt and Helena for getting her excused from jury duty. Thank this administration for good meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Member Sampson motion to adjourn, seconded by Member Carr to adjourn at 9:51 A.M.

Stalle Houn