

Northwest Arctic Borough

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Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly
Budget, Audit & Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 28, 2013 – 10:00 A.M.
Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly Chambers – Kotzebue, AK

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Patrick Savok called the meeting to order at 10:19 A.M.

INVOCATION

Mr. Miles Cleveland provided the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Budget, Audit and Finance Committee Members Present:

Miles Cleveland Carl Weisner Patrick Savok

Budget, Audit and Finance Committee Members Excused: Lucy Nelson

Assembly Members Present:

Larry Westlake Hendy Ballot Nathan Hadley Vern Cleveland

Clyde Ramoth Walter Sampson

Introduction of Staff and Guests

Reggie Joule Judy Hassinger Matt Mead Paige McConnell
Michael Tickett Stephanie Sampson Kenny Gallahorn Fred Smith
Martha Henry Ingemar Mathiasson Bert Wagnon Stella Atoruk

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda of the October 28, 2013 Budget, Audit and Finance Committee Meeting was presented for approval. Vice Chair Savok added previous minutes for approval to the agenda to item E. Mayor Joule asked to table Ordinance 13-09 and add Resolution 13-71 to the agenda. Also, Mayor Joule asked to have Resolution 13-67 and Ordinance 13-09 presented when Bert Wagnon with Alaska Permanent Capital Management arrives.

allocations. Bert Wagnon, APCM explained the process of investments. This resolution establishes a strategic asset allocation, sets a range; puts strains on APCM, also very important target waiting of benchmarks of being able to measure their performance.

Mr. Carl Weisner recommend that the Committee stay abreast of this because this is a long term strategy and this is a change for the Borough; to be informed and being able to ask questions along the way.

Mr. Carl Weisner recommend due pass.

2. Resolution 13-68 a resolution of the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly authorizing a contract for continuation of services with Judith A. Hassinger as the Borough Treasurer and for related purposes.

Mayor Joule mentioned that this Spring Borough had received a letter of resignation from Judy; although there are a couple applicants for Treasurer we are currently advertising RFP and as a full time employee. This will be advertised until filled, Judy has agreed to work with Borough until June 30, 2014 or until someone is hired. This type of expertise is very sought after throughout the State.

Mr. Carl Weisner recommend due pass of Resolution 13-68.

3. Resolution 13-70 a resolution of the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly to approve the purchase of tires and chains for the Noatak Fuel Hauler and for related purposes.

Fred Smith gave a brief history of the Hauler which was purchased by the grant; currently within the budget to complete the project. The existing tires and chains would be spare for this equipment.

Mr. Carl Weisner recommend due pass.

4. Resolutions 13-71 a resolution of the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly approving a contract with AVEC to assist with Noorvik's multi-year Wind-Diesel Project and for related purposes.

Ingemar Mathiasson gave a presentation regarding this agreement to cover personnel and expenditures of the project to proceed forward. It's been asked via AVEC due to them not burden the other fifty-four communities with the cost of developing Noorvik. Currently trying to find a location for this; AVEC is expressing concern the location they were looking at because of vandalism and maintenance line. Trying to find a location between the land fill and waiting to contact with DOT, will be determined within three weeks. If not then the project is on hold, which can be up to a year or two. Waiting for other developmental factors, the next upgrade for AVEC is scheduled for 2018 but the funding can't be held that long. If not then the funds will go back to the legislature.

Member Patrick Savok asked Ingemar for minutes of previous meeting in Noorvik. Last week the Rich Stromberg, AEA for the Wind Project, Tony Slaton Barker with Coffman Engineer, John Lyons from Marsch Creek, Ingemar, Fred and Brenden attended. Both