Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly
Special Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 11, 2014 at 9:00 A.M.
Assembly Room – Kotzebue, AK

CALL TO ORDER

President Walter Sampson called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

INVOCATION

Mrs. Winona Hawley provided the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Nathan Hadley Jr. Miles Cleveland Sr. Patrick Savok Larry Westlake Sr.
Lucy Nelson Frank Greene Carl Weisner Vern Cleveland Sr.
Clyde Ramoth Hendy Ballot Sr. Walter Sampson

INTRODUCTION OF STAFF AND GUESTS

Winona Hawley Mary Sue Hyatt Reggie Joule Martha Henry
Judith Hassinger Christine Hess Fred Smith Josephine Howarth
Nina Lie Noah Naylor Matt Mead

AGENDA APPROVAL

Agenda presented for June 11th special meeting.

Member Westlake moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Member Nelson.
Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE

Member Weisner motion to reconsideration of Ordinance 14-01 as revised on June 10, 2014 appropriating $14,627,406.00; seconded by Member Ramoth. Motion passed unanimously by roll call.
1. **Ordinance 14-01** an ordinance of the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly providing for the establishment and adoption of the line item budget for the fiscal year 2015.

Judy Hassinger provided a summary of the changes submitted.

**Member Weisner moved to approve Ordinance 14-01; seconded by Member Ramoth. Motion passed unanimously by roll call.**

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. **Resolution 14-21** a resolution of the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly approving the purchase of a wind turbine from Northern Power, Inc., and accepting additional AEA Grant Funds for the Deering Wind-Diesel Project, and for related purposes.

Fred Smith provided a brief summary of Resolution 14-21. Member Ballot raised his concern regarding all three communities; Buckland, Noorvik and Deering. Would like to make sure all villages will be considered. Member Westlake raised his concern about a contractor being selected; any provision of local hire? Member Ramoth asked if there is data on all villages for how much wind; what other communities can get wind turbines.

**Member Savok motion to approve Resolution 14-21, seconded by Member Ramoth; passed unanimously by roll call.**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

No other presented.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

No audience comments presented.

**ASSEMBLY COMMENTS**

Member Hadley thanked Fred for his work on the wind turbines for the villages; also to Mayor and staff; BAF chairperson Lucy also going into detail yesterday.

Member Ramoth thanked President, Mayor, Assembly members and staff; very educational, learned a lot from the work session yesterday; definitely a good way to present the budget and adjustments. Appreciate everyone’s hard work.

Member Vern Cleveland thanks for a good meeting. Good luck to all the hunters.

Member Nelson had no comment.

Member Miles Cleveland had no comment.
Member Greene had no comment.

Member Savok had no comment.

Member Ballot had no comment.

Member Westlake thanked the Assembly for working together for getting the budget passed.

Member Weisner had no comment.

Elder Representative enjoyed the meeting very much, learned a lot. Thank you for having me.

Youth Representative Mary Sue mentioned she had learned a lot, thanks for having her.

President Sampson thanked the Mayor and his staff for the revised budget which they have agreed to; it’s the work that comes together. Communicating together that makes things easier; sometimes he feel like he should do better, get lengthy when he talk but that is his nature. Good meeting, good process that they went through and good discussion yesterday. Administration certainly had answered questions that were raised, thanks Legal for making sure we did things properly to address what was needed. Sure we can have our differences; they need to be put on the table for discussion. Thanks for your views and thoughts. Thanks to Legal, thanks to Mayor and Judy for your good work.

**MAYOR’S COMMENT**

Mayor Joule thanked Mr. President and Assembly for being able to pass the budget; which is a much better budget. Appreciate your diligence. Appreciate all the staff had put into this. Extend thanks to the people who put a lot of effort and the Assembly recognizing that effort. Thank you very much.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Member Vern Cleveland moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 A.M.