



Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly
Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 23, 2024 – 1:30 P.M.
Assembly Chambers – Kotzebue, AK

CALL TO ORDER

President Hadley called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

Cleveland provided an invocation.

SAFETY MOMENT

Haviland Lie echo safety from yesterday, be mindful of kinds on roads.
Lincoln Carr request update on ice road; watch your kids on the ice, overflow spots.
McConnell mentioned heavy equipment on roads, be cautious.
Armstrong mentioned weather, travel precautions and having a plan.
President Hadley also mentioned hunting safety, stay away from black ice.

ROLL CALL/MEMBER EXCUSAL

Assembly Members present at the time of roll call:

<i>Austin Swan Sr.</i>	Dood Lincoln Carr	Craig McConnell	Raven Sheldon
Miles Cleveland Sr.	Derek Haviland-Lie	Delores Barr	Elmer Armstrong Jr.
Reid Magdanz	Walter Sampson	Nathan Hadley Jr.	

Introduction of Staff and Guests

Dickie Moto Sr.	Clara Jones	<i>Angie Sturm</i>	Fritz Westlake
<i>Hans Nelson</i>	Matt Mead	<i>Jade Hill</i>	Mabel Baldwin-Schaeffer
Chris Hatch	Josephine Howarth	Hiram Walker	<i>Georgianna Phillips</i>
Amilee Wilson	<i>Thomas Baker</i>	Stella Atoruk	<i>Wendie Chamberlain</i>

A quorum is present to conduct business. Mrs. Baldwin-Schaeffer and Mrs. Wilson provided an introduction.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda presented for approval for April 23, 2024. President Hadley add Wendie Chamberlain for communications. Member McConnell add discussion and note of record of Sulianich, under other business.

Member Lincoln Carr motioned to approve as amended; Member Cleveland seconded; passed unanimously by roll call vote.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

March 26, 2024, minutes presented for approval.

Member Armstrong motion to approve, seconded by Member Sheldon; passed unanimously by roll call vote.

COMMUNICATION AND APPEARANCE

Legislative Consultants Mrs. Chamberlain provided an update of Juneau activities; community assistance being processed. McConnell requested clarification on radio

MAYOR'S REPORT

Department reports provided. McConnell asked about IPP, what happens to balance. Magdanz raised concern of timeline of the ice road. Lincoln Carr had concerns about spending down, liability issues. McConnell verified the dollar amount of ice roads and asked about the Elder Boiler Project, is it complete. Sheldon asked where the boiler staff were this week. Lincoln Carr verified the deadline for signing up.

BAF Chair Magdanz asked about rotation of VPSO, doing regular schedules throughout the communities. McConnell requested pictures of projects.

Mayor Moto mentioned we have contestant for Miss Arctic Circle, preparing for 4th of July.

TIME & PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

A special meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 30, 2024, at 1 P.M.

Regular meeting scheduled for May 28-29, 2024, because of Memorial Day on May 27.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

None presented.

RESOLUTIONS

1. **Resolution 24-10** *a resolution of the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly providing for the FY25 local contribution to education.*

Mayor Moto summarized the resolution, recommending do pass.

Member Magdanz motioned to approve Resolution 24-10, seconded by Member Haviland Lie; motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

2. **Resolution 24-11** *a resolution of the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly approving Grant Administration Services for the City of Ambler, and for related purposes.*

CED Director Westlake summarized the resolution, recommend do pass.

Member Haviland Lie motioned to approve Resolution 24-11, seconded by Member Lincoln Carr; motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

3. **Resolution 24-12** *a resolution of the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly confirming the appointment of Tillman Foster to the Northwest Arctic Borough Planning Commission.*

Mayor Moto summarized the resolution, recommending do pass.

Vice President Sampson motioned to approve Resolution 24-12, seconded by Member Sheldon; motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

OTHER BUSINESS

Member McConnell let the listening audience know that the Administration is seeking how to assist Sulianich become self-sufficient. As it stands Borough has been subsidizing it at the amount of \$178K per year; it's at 501 3 (c) with \$1.2M in savings.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No executive session was held.