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**Minutes of the Public Hearing  
Denali Borough Assembly  
Tri-Valley Community Center  
August 10, 2005**

CALL TO ORDER Presiding Officer Gerald Pollock called the public hearing to order at 6:46 PM.

ROLL CALL Assembly members present were: Gerald Pollock, Baxter Mercer, Sid Michaels, David Evans, Paul Schenk, Teresa Hall, Cynthia Trytko, and Jim Caswell. Absent was Bob Shelton. Mayor Talerico was also in attendance.

1.) Ordinance 05-09: An ordinance amending VIII, Section 8.01 and 8.02 of the Denali Borough concerning School Board reapportionment.

There were no public comments.

2.) Ordinance 05-11: an ordinance amending the Denali Borough Code of Ordinances Chapter 20, Section 3, to increase the amount of the overnight accommodations tax.

Pat Speer, Pat and Windell's Bed and Breakfast, spoke against the proposed tax increase.

Ann Marie Bonakowski, Aspen Haus Bed and Breakfast, spoke against the proposed tax increase.

Scott Reiland, Denali Grizzly Bear and Campground, opposes the proposed tax increase.

Patsy Nordmark, Motel Nord Haven, does not agree with increasing the same tax every time. Nordmark opposes the proposed tax increase.

Rod Johnson, Healy Heights Family Cabins, spoke against the proposed tax increase and opposes the proposed business license ordinance.

Eileen Armstrong, School Board Member, is not speaking in favor or against the proposed tax increase. Ms Armstrong spoke about the increase in the state property assessment and how that increase has a negative effect on the schools and the borough.

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Gordon Carlson, asked if it would be on the ballot. It was clarified that it would be on the November ballot if it is passed by the Assembly.

Speer reiterated her comments.

Reisland, opposes because it is not broad based and targets one entity.

Holly Silkard, McKinley Creekside Cabins, asked what is the purpose for the increase?

2.) Ordinance 05-12: an ordinance amending the Denali Borough Code of Ordinances Chapter 22, Business License.

Gordon Carlson, opposes the business license and asked why the borough is in need of it.

Speer spoke against the business license.

ADJOURNMENT POLLOCK declared the Public Hearing adjourned at 7:04 PM.

APPROVED: SIGNATURE ON FILE  
Presiding Officer

ATTEST: SIGNATURE ON FILE  
Borough Clerk

Date Approved: September 14, 2005