

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

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6 CALL TO ORDER Presiding Officer Gerald Pollock called the regular meeting to order at
7 7:04PM.
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9 ROLL CALL Assembly members present were: Gerald Pollock, Bob Shelton (arrived
10 at 7:12 PM), Baxter Mercer, Sid Michaels, David Evans, Paul Schenk,
11 Teresa Hall, Cynthia Trytko, Bob Shelton and Jim Caswell. Mayor
12 Talerico was also in attendance.
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14 The Chair entertained a MOTION to excuse SHELTON, CASWELL so
15 MOVED and HALL seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.
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17 PUBLIC There were no public comments.
18 COMMENTS
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20 AGENDA HALL to approve to agenda, EVANS seconded.
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22 SCHENK asked to add the new CIRI Hotel in conjunction with "Planning
23 Commission Reports."
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25 The VOTE to approve the agenda as amended was unanimous.
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28 MINUTES 1.) Assembly Meeting: Public Hearing and Regular Meeting held on
29 July 13, 2005.
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31 MICHAELS MOVED to adopt the July 13, 2005 minutes and TRYTKO
32 seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.
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34 FINANCIAL 1.) Financial report for June 2005.
35 REPORT
36 The Presiding Officer entertained a motion to receive the June 2005
37 Financial Report. HALL so MOVED and MICHAELS seconded. The
38 VOTE was unanimous.
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40 MAYOR'S Mayor Talerico gave a brief report of his activities.
41 REPORT
42 MERCER asked Mayor Talerico for an update on the Black Diamond
43 Lease application. Mayor Talerico explained that we are currently
44 waiting for the survey instructions from the State of Alaska.
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1 Mayor Talerico introduced Don Young, Alaska Department of Fish and
2 Game Robert Schmoll, Department of Natural Resources, Forestry
3 Division (DOF), and Dale Haggstrom (DOF).
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5 Mayor Talerico also introduced Eileen Holmes, Mayor of the City of
6 Anderson.
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8 SCHOOL The School District Superintendent was not in attendance.
9 DISTRICT
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11 PLANNING MICHAELS gave a brief Planning Commission report in regards to the
12 COMMISSION Municipal Land Entitlements. The next work session is scheduled for
13 August 18, 2005 at the Tri-Valley Community Center at 6:15PM.
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15 MICHAELS addressed the CIRI Hotel easement application.
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17 Discussion followed regarding the CIRI Hotel and Municipal Land
18 Entitlements.
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20 ASSEMBLY HALL clarified Rod Johnson's comment on the Employment Tax.
21 COMMENTS She also touched on Ms. Armstrong comments.
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23 EVANS thanked the group for showing up tonight.
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25 MERCER commented on the Bed Tax and other sales taxes that
26 have been brought to the ballot and failed.
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28 SHELTON commented on the CIRI development and the role of the
29 Assembly as planners.
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31 SCHENK commented on the Denali Visions Committee and a public
32 meeting that is being planned for the 7th and 8th of October.
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34 CASWELL spoke against increasing the bed tax but is in favor of
35 some kind of tax.
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37 TRYTKO supports a sales tax. TRYTKO also asked about the Healy
38 Transfer Station grant. Eileen Armstrong stated that we did not
39 make the first cut on the grant but she is working on making the
40 second cut.
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42 MICHAELS commented on the "Property Tax" in the Denali Borough
43 which is 4 mills. This is using the State Assessors figures.
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2 COMMUNICATION 1.) Don Young, ADF&G to discuss controlled burning.
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4 APPEARANCES Young gave report on controlled burning and wildlife management.
5 The Tanana Flats burn is prescribed for 75,000 acres for North of
6 Rex and West of the Wood River. The purpose of that burn is for
7 intensive management.
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9 BREAK The Presiding Officer called a break at 8:20 PM.
10 RECONVINED The Presiding Officer called the meeting back to order at 8:33 PM.
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12 ORDINANCES 1.) An ordinance amending Title II, Chapter 9, Titled Borough
13 Clerk/Treasurer.
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15 HALL MOVED to introduce, CASWELL seconded. HALL explained
16 the ordinance. Discussion ensued about sending this to the
17 borough attorney asking for a definition of parliamentarian and does
18 the borough need to do this under Alaska State Statute.
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20 The roll call VOTE was unanimous. This will be Ordinance 05-14.
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22 HALL MOVED to send this ordinance to the Borough attorney,
23 MICHAELS seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.
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25 2.) An ordinance amending Title II, Chapter 7, Section 6, Executive
26 Session.
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28 HALL MOVED to introduce and send this ordinance to the attorney
29 with Ordinance 05-14. CASWELL seconded. The roll call VOTE
30 was unanimous. This will be Ordinance 05-15.
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32 3.) An ordinance adopting the Denali Borough Code.
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34 HALL MOVED to postpone until the September meeting, TRYTKO
35 seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.
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37 4.) An ordinance amending the Denali Borough budget for FY 2006.
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39 The Chair entertained a MOTION to introduce. MICHAELS so
40 MOVED and HALL seconded. Mayor Talerico explained the
41 ordinance.
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43 The roll call VOTE was unanimous. This will be Ordinance 05-16.
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5.) Ordinance 05-09: An ordinance amending VIII, Section 8.01 and 8.02 of the Denali Borough concerning School Board reapportionment.

MICHAELS MOVED to adopt and MERCER seconded. The roll call VOTE was 8-1 with HALL opposed.

6.) Ordinance 05-11: an ordinance amending the Denali Borough Code, Chapter 20, section3 to increase the amount of the overnight accommodations tax.

MICHAELS MOVED to adopt SCHENK seconded.

MICHAELS MOVED to amend Ordinance 05-11 to add "Section 2. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to give the voters of the Denali Borough the opportunity to increase the Overnight Accommodations Tax." The current Section 2, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20, Section 3, will become Section 3 and Section 3, Effective Date, will become Section 4.

HALL MOVED to amend the amendment to say the "the purpose of this ordinance is to increase the Overnight Accommodation Tax" EVANS seconded. The VOTE on the amendment was 4-5. Motion fails.

The VOTE on the amendment was 1-8. Motion fails.

Discussion followed.

The roll call VOTE to adopt was 2-7 with SCHENK and MICHAELS in favor and HALL, POLLOCK, CASWELL, SHELTON, EVANS, TRYTKO, and MERCER opposed. The Motion fails.

7.) Ordinance 05-12: an ordinance amending the Denali Borough Code, adding Chapter 22, business license.

MICHAELS MOVED to adopt and EVANS seconded. Discussion followed. The roll call VOTE was 8-1 with CASWELL opposed.

RESOLUTIONS

1.) A resolution in support of Kantishna Road upgrade.

HALL MOVED to adopt and MERCER seconded. The roll call VOTE was 8-1 with SCHENK opposed. This will be Resolution 05-12.

1 OTHER 1.) Mayor Talerico: update on the Alaska Railroad (ARR) Moody
2 Tunnel and the Denali Borough Municipal Land located near the
3 tunnel.
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5 Mayor Talerico gave a brief update regarding the discussions on the
6 Moody Tunnel.
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8 2.) Liquor License
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10 Type: Transfer of Ownership; License No.: 3724; License Type:
11 Beverage Dispensary Tourism; DBA: Denali North Star Inn;
12 Applicant: Alaska Hotel Properties LLC; Location: Mile 248.8 Parks
13 Highway.
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15 Type: Transfer Beverage Dispensary – Tourism Seasonal;
16 Location: Mile 248.8 Parks Highway; DBA: Stampede Lodge;
17 Applicant: Alaska Hotel Properties LLC; License No.: 4510.
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19 Type: Transfer Beverage Dispensary – Tourism Seasonal;
20 Location: Mile 238.2 Parks Highway; DBA: Alpenglow Restaurant;
21 Applicant: ARAMARK; License No.: 4099.
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23 HALL MOVED to take no action, TRYTKO seconded. The VOTE
24 was unanimous.
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26 3.) An update on lawsuits filed by David Braun.
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28 Mayor Talerico gave an update on the ongoing lawsuits.
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30 4.) Public Comments.
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32 Ann Marie Bonakowski, thanked the Assembly for not putting the
33 increase in bed tax on the ballot.
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35 Gordon Carlson, Cantwell resident, leans more to supported
36 tracking the businesses in the borough. He is in support of a
37 seasonal sales tax.
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39 Barbra Breese, spoke against the controlled burn planned for the
40 Tanana Flats.
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42 ASSEMBLY TRYTKO reiterated the need for a sales tax and liked the idea of a
43 COMMENTS seasonal sales tax.
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1 CASWELL commented on winter activities within the Denali
2 Borough. He suggested the borough hiring a consultant to look at
3 opportunities and to help promote winter time activities within the
4 Borough.

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6 MERCER spoke about raising new revenue.

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8 NEXT MEETING 1.) The next regular meeting will be held at the McKinley Village on
9 September 14, 2005. Work Session at 6:00, Public Hearing 6:45,
10 and Regular Meeting to follow

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12 ADJOURN. Presiding Officer Pollock declared the regular meeting adjourned at
13 9:52 PM.

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17 APPROVED: SIGNATURE ON FILE
18 Presiding Officer

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22 ATTEST: SIGNATURE ON FILE
23 Borough Clerk

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26 Date Approved: September 14, 2005