

Minutes of the Public Hearing  
Denali Borough Assembly  
McKinley Community Center  
February 9, 2011

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7 CALL TO ORDER: The public hearing was called to order by Presiding Officer Robert Kohlsdorf at 6:00 PM.  
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9 ROLL CALL: Assembly members present: John WINKLMANN, Cyrus COOPER, Robert KOHLSDORF, Clay  
10 WALKER, and Terry ASBURY. Absent: Eileen HOLMES, Armeda BULARD, Vickie LAUSEN, and David  
11 EVANS.

12 ORDINANCE 10-12, Version A: An ordinance amending the Denali Borough Code, Chapter 3.20 by adding  
13 3.20.055 titled Grant Procedure.

14 Steve Love, Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Chair, spoke against adoption of Ordinance 10-12,  
15 urging the Assembly to vote on the Ordinance.  
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17 ORDINANCE 10-15, Version A: An ordinance authorizing the sale of a certain parcel of Denali Borough  
18 municipal land to Golden Valley Electric Association  
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20 There were no public comments.  
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22 ADJOURNMENT: The public hearing was adjourned at 6:01 PM.  
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27 APPROVED:   
28 Robert Kohlsdorf, Presiding Officer  
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31 ATTEST:  Date Approved: MARCH 9, 2011  
32 Gail Pieknik, Borough Clerk  
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**Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
Denali Borough Assembly  
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February 9, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER: Presiding Officer Robert KOHLSDORF called the regular meeting to order at 6:02 PM. Mayor Talerico was not in attendance. Assembly member Clay Walker led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Assembly members present: John WINKLMANN, Cyrus COOPER, Robert KOHLSDORF, Terry ASBURY and Clay WALKER. Absent: Armeda BULARD, Eileen HOLMES, Vickie LAUSEN and David EVANS.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Elizabeth Reeves, Denali Chamber of Commerce, thanked the Assembly for funding the Chamber website. The site is up and running and getting about fifty hits per day.

Molly McKinley, Denali Citizens Council (DCC), introduced herself to the Assembly as a new staff member studying gas development.

Erica Watson, DCC Board member, introduced herself to the Assembly, and noted that the Alaska Railroad has submitted a permit application to apply pesticides along railroad tracks in the local area. Ms. Watson noted that the Assembly has passed resolutions opposed to such practice in the past, and encouraged them to consider similar action again.

AGENDA

John WINKLMANN MOVED to approve the agenda as submitted. Cyrus COOPER seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

MINUTES

January 12, 2011 Assembly Public Hearing and Regular Meeting

Clay WALKER MOVED to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2011 Regular Meeting and Public Hearing as submitted. Cyrus COOPER seconded. John WINKLMANN MOVED to amend the Public Hearing minutes, line 18, by adding "Mr. Love testified that if Ordinance 10-12 goes into effect, Homeland Security has indicated to us that they would very possibly suspend any future grants to us." Cyrus COOPER seconded. The VOTE on the amendment by show of hands was unanimous.

The VOTE on the main motion to approve the minutes by show of hands was unanimous.

REPORTS

DECEMBER 2010 FINANCIAL REPORT

John WINKLMANN MOVED to receive the financial report. Cyrus COOPER seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

MAYOR'S REPORT

There was no Mayor's report.

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2 SCHOOL REPORT

3 Vern Carlson, Denali Borough School District School Board, reported that he and Board member  
4 Chris Basile recently travelled to Juneau with Superintendent Kim Bergey to meet with legislators.  
5 The feeling was flat regarding funding, with Education Committee focus seeming to be on early  
6 education.  
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8 DENALI BOROUGH TRAIL-WAYS COMMITTEE

9 Seat Appointments: Craig (Shorty) Schmidt and Kate Batten  
10 John WINKLMANN MOVED to confirm Mayor Talerico's appointment of Craig (Shorty) Schmidt and  
11 Kate Batten to the Denali Borough Trail-ways Committee. Cyrus COOPER seconded. The VOTE by  
12 show of hands was unanimous.  
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14 ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

15 Clay WALKER thanked the newly appointed trail-ways committee members for stepping up to  
16 serve.  
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18 Robert KOHLSDORF thanked all in attendance for coming to the meeting.  
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20 Cyrus COOPER thanked those in attendance for coming to the meeting.  
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22 Terry ASBURY thanked those in attendance for coming to the meeting, and offered condolences  
23 to Patricia Griggs, Planning Commission member, on the recent loss of her husband, David.  
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25 John WINKLMANN thanked everyone in attendance for coming to the meeting, and commented  
26 that the trail-ways committee will be actively moving forward within the month.  
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28 DRAFT ORDINANCES:

29 ORDINANCE 11-01: An ordinance amending the Denali Borough FY 2011 budget appropriating  
30 \$300,000 to Major School Maintenance Reserve Fund.  
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32 Clay WALKER MOVED to introduce Ordinance 11-01. Cyrus COOPER seconded. The roll call  
33 VOTE was unanimous.  
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35 PENDING ORDINANCES:

36 ORDINANCE 10-12, Version A: An ordinance amending the Denali Borough Code, Chapter 3.20 by  
37 adding 3.20.055 titled Grant Procedure.  
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39 John WINKLMANN MOVED to postpone Ordinance 10-12 until the next meeting. Cyrus COOPER  
40 seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.  
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42 ORDINANCE 10-15, Version B: An ordinance authorizing the sale of a certain parcel of Denali  
43 Borough municipal land to Golden Valley Electric Association (GVEA).  
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45 John WINKLMANN MOVED to substitute Version C for Version B. Cyrus COOPER seconded. It  
46 was noted that the main change in Version C was the increase of the sale price to \$15,000.  
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48 Cyrus COOPER MOVED to amend the Ordinance by adding Item 2 under Section 6, to read, "Any  
49 increases of emissions reporting of all types shall be reported to the local residents of the Denali

1 Borough." John WINKLMANN seconded. The VOTE on the amendment by show of hands was  
2 unanimous.  
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4 The VOTE on the original motion to substitute by show of hands was unanimous.  
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6 John WINKLMANN MOVED to postpone action on Ordinance 10-15, Version C until the next  
7 meeting. Clay WALKER seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.  
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9 RESOLUTIONS:

10 RESOLUTION 10-29: A resolution in support of requesting the State of Alaska, Department of  
11 Transportation consider construction of safe trails around the Anderson School located within the  
12 Denali Borough.  
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14 Presiding Officer Robert KOHLSDORF noted that no communication has been received from the  
15 City of Anderson since forwarding of Resolution 10-29 at the last meeting. John WINKLMANN  
16 MOVED to postpone Resolution 10-29 indefinitely. Cyrus COOPER seconded. The VOTE by show  
17 of hands was unanimous.  
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19 OTHER BUSINESS

20 Liquor License Renewals.  
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22 229 Parks – Mile 229  
23 Denali Bluffs Hotel – Mile 238.4  
24 Denali Princess Base Camp Bistro – Mile 238.5  
25 Denali North Star Inn – Mile 248.8  
26 Totem Inn – Mile 248.7  
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28 Clay WALKER MOVED to approve the liquor licenses presented. Cyrus COOPER seconded. It  
29 was noted that no negative comments had been received regarding any of the establishments. The  
30 VOTE by show of hands was 4 – 1 as follows: Ayes – John WINKLMANN, Cyrus COOPER, Robert  
31 KOHLSDORF, Clay WALKER; Nay – Terry ASBURY. The motion passed.  
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33 JOINT PACIFIC ALASKA RANGE COMPLEX (JPARC)

34 Presiding Officer Robert KOHLSDORF relinquished the chair to Deputy Presiding Officer Cyrus  
35 Cooper.  
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37 Robert KOHLSDORF noted that the comment period for JPARC had been extended to February 18,  
38 2011. The alternatives suggested by JPARC for Realistic Live Ordnance Delivery discussed.  
39 Topics of discussion included the impact on individuals who may use the area recreationally, the  
40 level of danger involved in the proposed intensity of training, the timeline for receiving comments,  
41 the importance of commenting early in the process, and the appropriateness of the Assembly  
42 creating a resolution during the meeting that had not been distributed to the public prior to meeting.  
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44 The Assembly came to consensus that since the subject matter was on the agenda, it would be  
45 appropriate to take a recess in the meeting to write the resolution.  
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47 Presiding Officer Robert KOHLSDORF resumed the chair.  
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1 Presiding Officer Robert KOHLSDORF called a meeting recess at 7:10 pm for the purpose of  
2 drafting a resolution regarding JPARC. The meeting reconvened at 7:25 pm.  
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4 Presiding Officer Robert Kohlsdorf read Resolution 11-05 into the record.  
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6 John WINKLMANN MOVED to approve Resolution 11-05: A resolution supporting the No Action  
7 alternative concerning the Joint Pacific Alaska Complex (JPARC). Cyrus COOPER seconded. The  
8 roll call VOTE was unanimous.  
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#### 10 BUDGET WORK SESSION

11 Cyrus COOPER MOVED to set the date for a budget work session prior to the Regular Meeting of  
12 the Assembly on April 13. Clay WALKER seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.  
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#### 14 PUBLIC COMMENTS

15 Ron Dane requested that minutes of meetings be posted online sooner.  
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17 Kris Capps, Denali Arts and Humanities Alliance, invited all present to attend a concert by  
18 Celtic group Solas on February 16. Ms. Capps also noted that the Calder Quartet will be  
19 performing on March 6 at 229 Parks Restaurant.  
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21 Hanna Ragland thanked the Assembly for passing Resolution 11-05, and encouraged the  
22 adoption of Ordinance 11-01. Ms. Ragland also noted that bills for the proposed Stampede  
23 Recreation Area were introduced in the State House and Senate, and urged Assembly  
24 members to consider testifying in support of these bills. The Alaska Youth for  
25 Environmental Action (AYEA) program in Juneau will be March 14-18, and Ms. Ragland  
26 advocated for Assembly support of AYEA students.  
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28 Steve Love, LEPC Chair, thanked the Assembly for passing resolution 11-05, and  
29 expressed his desire that there be something definite to work on and discuss regarding  
30 Ordinance 10-12 at the next Assembly meeting.  
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#### 32 ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

33 John WINKLMANN commented on his desire to meet with local fire departments regarding  
34 Ordinance 10-12.  
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36 John WINKLMANN MOVED to request the following questions be forwarded to Borough legal  
37 counsel. Cyrus COOPER seconded.  
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- 39 1) Is there a legal avenue currently that allows for the expenditure of Denali Borough  
40 funds without an enabling ordinance?
- 41 2) Is there a legal avenue currently that enables the Denali Borough to incur a debt  
42 without an enabling ordinance?
- 43 3) May the Mayor transfer funds between Denali Borough departments without an  
44 enabling ordinance?
- 45 4) Should grant income be accounted for in the operating budget?  
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1 John WINKLMANN MOVED to amend the motion to forward the questions to the Borough  
2 auditor, as well. Cyrus COOPER seconded. The VOTE on the amendment to include the  
3 auditor by show of hands was unanimous.  
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5 The VOTE on the main motion to forward questions to Borough legal counsel by show of hands  
6 was unanimous.  
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8 Terry ASBURY MOVED to invite the Planning Commission to attend the next meeting to discuss  
9 their Resolution PC 10-08 as it relates to the GVEA lease. John WINKLMANN seconded. The  
10 VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.  
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12 Cyrus COOPER MOVED to excuse Eileen HOLMES, Vickie LAUSEN, David EVANS, and  
13 Armeda BULARD. John WINKLMANN seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was  
14 unanimous.  
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16 Cyrus COOPER noted that the safety of citizens and visitors to the Denali Borough has always  
17 been a top priority of the Assembly, and that no worthwhile, properly forwarded request for  
18 support has been denied. Mr. Cooper expressed his desire to get the input of fire departments  
19 regarding grants.  
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21 Clay WALKER reminded all present that Winterfest is coming up, encouraged all to pick up a  
22 brochure detailing activities, and thanked all those who work to put the event together.  
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24 Robert KOHLSDORF thanked all present for attending and giving input on issues, specifically  
25 the JPARC issue.  
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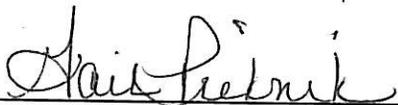
27 NEXT ASSEMBLY MEETING:

28 The next regular meeting will be held at the Cantwell School on March 9, 2011; Public Hearing at  
29 6:00 PM, and regular meeting to follow.  
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31 ADJOURN: The presiding officer declared the regular meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM.  
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35 APPROVED: 

36 Robert Kohlsdorf, Presiding Officer

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39 ATTEST: 

40 Gail Pieknik, Borough Clerk  
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43 Date Approved: MARCH 9, 2011  
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