

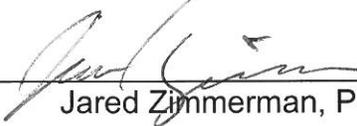
Minutes of the Public Hearing  
Denali Borough Assembly  
Cantwell School  
January 13, 2016

CALL TO ORDER: The public hearing was called to order by Presiding Officer Jared Zimmerman at 6:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Assembly members present: Jared ZIMMERMAN, Don DEBLAUW, David EVANS, Tallon SHREEVE, Kimberly BURROWS, Joe CHATFIELD, Krista ZAPPONE, and Jill BOELSMA. Absent: Paddy TATUM.

There being no items on the public hearing agenda, the public hearing was closed with no comments given.

ADJOURNMENT: The public hearing was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

APPROVED:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Jared Zimmerman, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:  \_\_\_\_\_ Date Approved: February 10, 2016  
Gail Pieknik, Borough Clerk

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7 CALL TO ORDER: Presiding Officer Jared Zimmerman called the regular meeting to order at 6:05  
8 PM. Mayor Clay Walker led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.  
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10 Roll Call

11 Assembly members present: Tallon SHREEVE, Don DEBLAUW, David EVANS, Jared  
12 ZIMMERMAN, Kimber BURROWS, Joe CHATFIELD, Krista ZAPPONE and Jill BOELSMA. Absent:  
13 Paddy TATUM. Mayor Clay Walker was also present.  
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15 Kimber BURROWS moved to excuse Ms. Tatum. The motion was seconded. The VOTE by show of  
16 hands was unanimous.  
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18 PUBLIC COMMENTS

19 Vernon Carlson, Cantwell resident, spoke in opposition to the new meeting rotation schedule,  
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21 Gordon Carlson, Cantwell resident, commented that the borough needs to start looking at the  
22 number of liquor licenses within its boundaries in relation to the population, and to consider the  
23 repercussions of the number of establishments on our communities.  
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25 AGENDA

26 Kimber BURROWS MOVED to approve the meeting agenda as presented. The motion was  
27 seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.  
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29 MINUTES

30 December 09, 2015 Denali Borough Assembly Public Hearing and Regular Meeting  
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32 Kimber BURROWS MOVED to approve the minutes of the December 09, 2015 public hearing and  
33 regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded. The VOTE by show of hands  
34 was unanimous.  
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36 REPORTS

37 November 2015 Financial Report  
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39 David EVANS MOVED to receive the November 2015 financial report. The motion was seconded.  
40 The VOTE by show of hands to receive the financial report was unanimous.  
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42 MAYOR'S REPORT

43 Mayor Clay Walker reported on a variety of topics.  
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- The State of Alaska recently published final regulations on the marijuana industry, and a copy  
46 has been provided to assembly members for their information.

- 1 • The borough is currently out of compliance with Denali Borough Code 3.15.020 for not having  
2 a completed audit report. The missing component is the Denali Borough School District audit  
3 piece, which may be complete by the end of the month.  
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- 5 • The Denali Borough has received a Platinum Loss Control Award from the Alaska Municipal  
6 League Joint Insurance Association (AMLJIA) for having no insurance claims during policy  
7 year 2014. AMLJIA Risk Control Specialist Bradley Burns recently visited the borough to  
8 review coverage and visit the landfill.  
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- 10 • Communication continues with the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation  
11 (ADEC) regarding the landfill groundwater monitoring program, with both parties working  
12 toward a Quality Assurance Project Plan.  
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- 14 • The Denali Borough School District School Board approved a transfer to the Denali Borough of  
15 up to \$100,000 for the purpose of the Cantwell Sprinkler project at their last meeting. An  
16 ordinance to accept and appropriate these funds will be on next month's assembly agenda. A  
17 request for bid is expected to go out on February 6.  
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- 19 • The contract for the school condition survey with Livingston Sloane has been signed, and work  
20 will be starting in February.  
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- 22 • Staff is working on detailed cost estimates for potential Healy Transfer Station sites.  
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- 24 • Mayor Walker will attend a Municipal Advisory Gas Project Review Board meeting tomorrow to  
25 finalize its annual report to the governor.  
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- 27 • The snow plowing contract for the Cantwell Transfer Station has been awarded to the sole  
28 bidder, CLI Construction. The contract will be signed soon.  
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### 30 SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT

31 Denali Borough School District (DBSD) Superintendent Dan Polta

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33 DBSD Superintendent Dan Polta reported that the school board approved up to \$100,000 to offset  
34 overages on the Cantwell Sprinkler project at their last meeting, noting a recent overage estimate of  
35 \$88,500. There is a small contingency fund built into the project, and DBSD intends to cover any  
36 overage on the project. A request for bids is expected to go out on February 6.  
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38 It is expected that Nortech Environmental Engineering will complete a bid solicitation within the next  
39 couple weeks for the Tri-Valley boiler project, with a request for bids expected to go out in February.  
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41 Additional projects include working to tie school offices into school backup generators, the  
42 importance of which was brought to the forefront during a recent power outage, and also added  
43 consideration of backup power for the kitchen and gym for emergency shelter use. The school  
44 district is currently getting initial bids for each site, and is working toward wiring the shop building in  
45 Cantwell. Initial work is being done toward wind and solar electricity generation. This project may be  
46 included on the DBSD Capital Improvements Project list next year in an effort to reduce electricity  
47 costs.

1 The DBSD audit is still incomplete, with the school district being out of compliance with state statute  
2 since November 15 due to changes in the reporting requirements for the state retirement system  
3 and other delays that were not anticipated.

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5 The Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 budget maintains the status quo for enrollment and revenue while  
6 anticipating lowered state and local foundation funding, as well as planning additional scenarios for  
7 enrollment and staff changes. This budget had its first reading at last month's school board meeting.

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9 The Ketchikan Borough lawsuit challenging the state's education funding system was settled this  
10 week. The Alaska Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the current required local  
11 contribution, but did leave the door open for future litigation regarding the question of the state's  
12 responsibility to provide funding for public schools.

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14 Angela Garner started January 1 as school district nurse. Lauren Landuyt started December 14 as a  
15 new teacher in Anderson. A new position was recently posted for an additional technology aide to  
16 assist in monitoring passwords and higher level technology issues.

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18 ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

19 Tallon SHREEVE thanked Superintendent Dan Polta and Mayor Walker for their reports. Mr.  
20 Shreeve commented that discussion regarding generator issues is important, and noted that he  
21 would like to attend the AML Legislative Conference in Juneau.

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23 Krista ZAPPONE thanked those who provided public comment, and Superintendent Polta for his  
24 report.

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26 Joe CHATFIELD thanked those present for attending the meeting, and commented that much  
27 good discussion and planning take place during Local Emergency Planning Committee  
28 meetings, which are open to the public.

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30 Jill BOELSMA had no comment.

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32 Don DEBLAUW thanked those present for attending the meeting, and commented that he enjoys  
33 coming to Cantwell for meetings.

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35 Kimber BURROWS commented positively on the progress of the school condition survey.

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37 David EVANS commented that it is important to be aware of language in pipeline legislation to  
38 understand its intent as it relates to payment in lieu of tax. The Denali Borough would receive  
39 direct impact aid for a five year period of construction, then a proportional payment for twenty  
40 five years based on the portion of the pipeline that goes through the Borough.

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42 Jared ZIMMERMAN commented that it is important to be in touch with legislators as action is  
43 being taken regarding pipeline legislation. Mr. Zimmerman also commented that Denali National  
44 Park employees were provided a "sneak peek" of the Subaru Zero Landfill Initiative film, which  
45 featured the Denali Borough landfill.

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47 COMMUNICATION AND APPEARANCES

48 There were no scheduled communications or appearances.

1 DRAFT ORDINANCES

2 ORDINANCE 16-01: An ordinance repealing the Denali Borough Code of Ordinances, Chapter  
3 3.20.080 titled Capital Projects Reserve Fund

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5 David EVANS MOVED to introduce Ordinance 16-01. The motion was seconded. It was noted  
6 that Ordinances 16-01 and 16-02 were developed by the finance committee and could be  
7 considered in tandem, as the intent is to combine two accounts that were designed to serve the  
8 same basic purpose. The roll call VOTE was unanimous.

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10 David EVANS MOVED to postpone Ordinance 16-01 to the next meeting. The motion was  
11 seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

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13 ORDINANCE 16-02: An ordinance amending the Denali Borough Code of Ordinances, Chapter  
14 3.20.070 titled Capital Improvements Fund

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16 David EVANS MOVED to introduce Ordinance 16-02. The motion was seconded. It was noted  
17 that no appropriations have been made from this account since it was created, and that the  
18 language in this ordinance clarifies the use of funds. A further point of discussion was that  
19 borough matching grants would not be affected by this ordinance, and that investment of the  
20 fund would follow borough investment policy. The roll call VOTE was unanimous.

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22 David EVANS MOVED to postpone Ordinance 16-02 to the next meeting. The motion was  
23 seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

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25 ORDINANCE 16-03: An ordinance appropriating up to \$310,000 from the Capital Projects Fund  
26 to construct an extension of the landfill shop building

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28 David EVANS MOVED to introduce Ordinance 16-03. The motion was seconded. Points of  
29 discussion include the inclusion of a landfill shop building on annual Capital Improvement  
30 Programs since FY 2013, that Grant 13-DM-223 in the amount of \$50,000 has been received for  
31 this project, the amount of equipment needed at the landfill and the facilities to house it, the  
32 design plan for the shop building, and the desire to put out a request for bids in February. The  
33 roll call VOTE to introduce Ordinance 16-03 was unanimous.

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35 David EVANS MOVED to postpone Ordinance 16-03 to the next meeting. The motion was  
36 seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

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38 RESOLUTIONS

39 RESOLUTION 16-01: A resolution identifying State of Alaska Capital Budget requests for fiscal  
40 year 2017

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42 Kimber BURROWS MOVED to approve Resolution 16-01. The motion was seconded. Mayor  
43 Clay Walker explained that the resolution makes no capital project funding requests for FY 2017,  
44 but stressed that the borough would be supporting funding of community revenue sharing. A  
45 point of discussion was that the need for capital projects has not gone away, the borough is  
46 responding to a state revenue shortfall. The VOTE by roll call was unanimous.

1 OTHER BUSINESS

2 Liquor License Renewal Application Approval:

- 3 Denali Grizzly Bear - Package Store – Seasonal
- 4 McKinley Denali Salmon Bake - Beverage Dispensary Tourism- Seasonal
- 5 Black Diamond Golf – Golf Course – Seasonal
- 6 Prospectors Pizzeria – Restaurant – Eating Place – Seasonal
- 7 The Overlook – Beverage Dispensary – Seasonal

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9 Kimber BURROWS MOVED to approve the above listed liquor license renewal applications. The  
10 motion was seconded. Points of discussion that followed include the number of liquor licenses in the  
11 borough, the impact of seasonal tourism on the number of active licenses, and the recent adoption  
12 of an ordinance to regulate bar closing hours. It was noted that there have been no complaints  
13 received on any of the listed properties. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

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15 Liquor License extension of premises approval:

- 16 McKinley Creekside Cabins, License number 4006. Application to extend original
- 17 liquor license to include a new pavilion with bar located near Carlo Creek

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19 Kimber BURROWS MOVED to approve the extension of premises license for McKinley Creekside  
20 Cabins. The motion was seconded. The VOTE by show of hands was unanimous.

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22 Agnew::Beck Consultants update

23 Mayor Clay Walker reported that the borough has entered into a new engagement with Agnew::Beck  
24 to implement recommendations to amend existing land management code and policies. Staff will  
25 teleconference with Agnew::Beck next week, and there is a joint work session of the assembly and  
26 planning commission with Agnew::Beck on February 10 at 5:00 PM.

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28 PUBLIC COMMENTS

29 Gordon Carlson, Cantwell resident, thanked the assembly for engaging in a discussion regarding  
30 liquor licenses, and encouraged them to consider their impact.

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32 ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

33 The assembly members thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. In addition, the following  
34 comments were made:

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36 Jill BOELSMA commented positively on participation in the public process, and added that she  
37 felt the current meeting rotation to be a good compromise to include the Panguingue Creek/Ferry  
38 district into the schedule. If the new rotation does not seem to work out, it can be changed back.

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40 David EVANS commented on the importance of backup generators to provide power during an  
41 extended power outage.

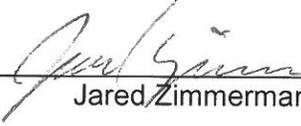
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43 Jared ZIMMERMAN commented on the potential change of scope of the school district's backup  
44 generator project to more of a community hazard issue, and how that may change the funding of  
45 the project. Mr. Zimmerman also thanked school administration for moving school projects  
46 forward and keeping within project timelines.

1 NEXT ASSEMBLY MEETING

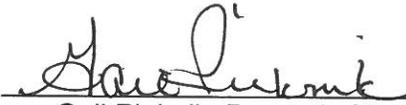
2 The next regular meeting will be at the Tri-Valley Community Center in Healy on Wednesday,  
3 February 10, 2016: Joint Work Session with the Denali Borough Planning Commission and  
4 Agnew::Beck to discuss amendments to the Denali Borough Code, Title 4, Denali Borough  
5 Assembly Public at 5:00 PM; Public Hearing 6:30 PM and the Regular meeting to follow.  
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7 ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 PM.  
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11 APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Jared Zimmerman, Presiding Officer

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16 ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Gail Pieknik, Borough Clerk

Date Approved: February 10, 2016  
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