

Introduced by: Dunne
Date: 02/17/17
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Action: Failed to Enact
Vote: 2 Yes, 7 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
ORDINANCE 2017-02**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING KPB 22.40.080 AND REPEALING KPB 22.40.090
WHICH PROVIDE FOR AN INVOCATION DURING ASSEMBLY MEETINGS**

WHEREAS, the Kenai Peninsula Borough code currently provides for an invocation during assembly meetings and states the assembly president shall designate a person to offer an invocation; and

WHEREAS, the subject of invocations during assembly meetings has caused emotional divisions in our community and may result in significant costs to the borough; and

WHEREAS, many borough residents have asked that invocations be eliminated from assembly meetings; and

WHEREAS, ending the offering of invocations will save the borough taxpayers money especially during this time of economic difficulties in Alaska, and reduce divisiveness in our community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. That KPB 22.40.080 is hereby amended as follows:

22.40.080. Agenda—Order of business.

The order of business shall be:

- A. Call to order;
- B. Pledge of allegiance;
- [C. INVOCATION;]
- [D] C. Roll call;
- [E] D. Committee reports;
- [F] E. Vacancy, designation or seating members (only when needed);
- [G] F. Approval of agenda and consent agenda;
- [H] G. Approval of minutes;
- [I] H. Commending resolutions and proclamations;

- [J]I. Presentations with prior notice (20 minutes total);
- [K]J. Public comments on items not appearing on the agenda (three minutes per speaker; 20 minutes aggregate);
- [L]K. Mayor's report;
- [M]L. Items not completed from prior agenda;
- [N]M. Public hearings on ordinances (Testimony limited to 3 minutes per speaker);
- [O]N. Unfinished business
 - 1. Postponed items
 - 2. Notices to reconsider/rescind;
- [P]O. New business;
 - 1. Bid awards
 - 2. Resolutions
 - 3. Ordinances for introduction
 - 4. Other (including addition of late items);
- [Q]P. Public comments and public presentations (Limited to 3 minutes per speaker);
- [R]Q. Assembly meeting and hearing announcements;
- [S]R. Assembly comments;
- [T]S. Pending legislation;
- [U]T. Informational materials and reports;
- [V]U. Notice of the next meeting and adjournment.

SECTION 2. That KPB 22.40.090 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. That this ordinance takes effect immediately upon its enactment.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS * DAY OF * 2017.

Kelly Cooper, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Johni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk

Yes: Dunne, Cooper

No: Bagley, Carpenter, Fischer, Hibbert, Ogle, Schaefer, Welles

Absent: None