

Kenai Peninsula Borough

Office of the Borough Mayor

MAYOR'S REPORT TO THE ASSEMBLY – MEETING NOTES

TO: Brent Johnson, Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

FROM: Peter A. Micciche, Kenai Peninsula Borough Mayor

DATE: September 5, 2023

Assembly Request / Response

None

Agreements and Contracts

- a. Authorization to Award Contract for ITB24-006 Gravel Road Projects FY2024 North Region, Unit 5
- b. Authorization to Award Contract for ITB24-008 Gravel Road Projects FY2024 West Region, Units 4 & 6
- c. Authorization to Award Contract for ITB24-009 Gravel Road Projects FY2024 Central Region, Units 1 & 2
- d. Authorization to Award Contract for ITB24-012 Gravel Road Projects FY2024 East Region, Unit 3
- e. Authorization to Award Contract for ITB24-013 CPL 2023 Material Excavation
- f. Sole Source – H2O Moegy Inc.

Other

- a. Budget Revisions – Investment Report Quarter Ended 6/30/23
- b. Capital Project Reports – June 30, 2023
- c. Budget Revisions – July 2023
- d. Revenue-Expenditure Report – July 2023
- e. Tax Adjustment Request Approval

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ASSEMBLY DAY SCHEDULE

2:30 PM	Finance Committee
3:15 PM	Lands Committee
3:30 PM	Policies and Procedures Committee
4:00 PM	Legislative Committee
6:00 PM	Regular Assembly Meeting

MEETINGS – August 16-September 5

Wed. 8/16

- KSRM *Sound Off!* – Community Outreach 9:00-9:40 AM
- Cindy Ecklund - Assembly issues of her interest 10:30-11:00 AM
- Ben Adams – attorney and rancher re: proposing changes to KPB tax process for farms 11:00-11:30 AM
- Kenai Chamber of Commerce – Joe Rizzo Triumvirate Theatre presentation 12:00-1:00 PM
- Upper Cook Inlet Tsunami Modeling Report (via Microsoft Teams) 1:00-2:00 PM
- KPB Solid Waste – Salvaging 2:00-3:00 PM
 - Lee Frey
 - Sean Kelley
 - Sovala Kisena
 - Dan Kort
 - Brian Smith
 - Justen Huff

Thurs. 8/17

- HEA – Landfill Gas Combined Heat and Power Project 9:00-9:30 AM
- KSRM *Sound Off!* – Community Outreach 10:00-10:30 AM
 - Industry Appreciation Day – Dana Cannava
 - Triumvirate Theatre – Joe Rizzo
- Manikshaq Baumgartner – Hilcorp's new Government & Public Affairs Advisor 11:00-11:30 AM
- Sovala Kisena – Risk Department 11:30-Noon
- Jim Butler III re: Riverbend Redevelopment Project 1:15-2:00 PM
- DNR Lease at River Center and Floodplain Mapping –

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Kenai River Keys

- Samantha Lopez – River Center
- Walker Steinhage – Legal
- KESA Chief Bob Cicciarella – Phone call 5:00-5:30 PM
- KESA Regular Board Meeting via Zoom 6:00-6:30 PM
- K-Beach Flooding Community Meeting (D. Yragui) 7:00-7:45 PM

Fri. 8/18

- Myer Hutchinson's Visit – KPB / Juneau Legis issues
- Brandi Harbaugh and Sean Kelley re: SPH Loan 10:00-11:30 AM
- Lunch with Myer and Justin Ruffridge 12:30-2:00 PM

Sat. 8/19

- Triumvirate Groundbreaking Ceremony – Remarks 11:00-Noon
- Industry Appreciation Day - Emcee Noon-4:00 PM
- KEA-Soldotna Back-to-School BBQ – Remarks 5:00-5:30 PM
- Soup Supper - Auctioneer 5:00-9:00 PM

Mon. 8/21

- Joe Rizzo – Communications Update 8:00-8:45 AM
- KPB HR Director Justen Huff – Union Discussion 10:00-11:00 AM
- KDLL Interview – Riley Board re: K-Beach Flooding 11:00-11:30 AM
- Mayor's Packet Meeting 1:00-1:30 PM
- SBC Flood – Work Session and Site Visit 4:00-7:00 PM
 - John Hedges
 - Brenda Ahlberg

Tues. 8/22

- Ronnie Nutt – AIX Energy Meet & Greet 10:00-10:30 AM
- Emergency Services Meeting 1:00-2:00 PM
 - Attending:
 - Tammy Goggia – KPB Emergency Mgmt. Coordinator
 - Captain Zweifel – AK State Troopers
 - Chief Meeks – Soldotna Police
 - Chief Ross – Kenai Police
 - Topics:
 - Mental health issues – Tammy provided statistics:
 - suicide 10-96 mental health issues 5-10 each day, HB172-2000, July of 2022 (passage)
 - Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority (AMHTA)

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- CPH – AMHTA funded coordinator in various communities
- Reach out to Sean - AMHTA
- Crisis Now Coordinator
- Eric Morrison, Salamatof Tribe Executive Director 2:00-2:45 PM
- Ditch Plan Discussion – Robert Ruffner, John Hedges, and Sean Kelley 3:30-4:30 PM

Wed. 8/23

- KSRM *Sound Off!* – Community Outreach 9:00-10:00 AM
- Alaska Oil and Gas Association (AOGA) Board of Directors 10:00-10:30 AM
- Shauna Bryers – Health effects - De-Icer
- Meeting with Senator Sullivan's Office 11:00-11:20 AM
 - Attending:
 - Erik Elam – Legislative Director
 - Elaina Spraker – Kenai Peninsula Rep
 - Topics:
 - Cooper Landing Emergency Services
 - Unit 395 Highway Access with DOT
 - Dispatch issues
 - Possible enhanced ALT
 - Possible maintenance and emergency response subsidy
 - Rural firefighting/EMS bill in progress
- Lee Frey – Gas Usage 1:30-2:00 PM
- 31st Annual Kenai River Classic – Welcome Reception and Dinner 5:00-8:30 PM

Thurs. 8/24

- Soldotna City Manager Janette Bower and Vice Mayor Lisa Parker 3:00-4:00 PM
- KRC – Banquet and Auction 5:00-8:30 PM

Fri. 8/25

- Panel Discussion with Commissioner Julie Sande, Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development: Local business and elected officials met to discuss how we can better partner with the DCCEDAK on issues such as: 3:00-5:00 PM
 - Workforce development
 - Licensing
 - Streamlining of state obstacles

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- Housing

Mon. 8/28

- Joe Rizzo – Communications Update 8:00-8:30 AM
- Justin Huff – HR re: Special Assistant new hire 9:00-9:30 AM
- Brenda Ahlberg – Updates: 9:30-10:00 AM
 - Fall public meetings
 - CAP
- CES Station #1 Replacement 10:00-11:00 AM
 - John Hedges
 - Brandi Harbaugh
 - Roy Browning
- KPBSD – ES Building 11:00 AM-1:00 PM
 - Sup. Holland
 - Asst. Sup. Dendurent
 - Kevin Lyon
 - Brandi Harbaugh
 - John Hedges
- KDLL – Riley Board & new reporter Hunter Morrison 1:00-1:30 PM
- Solid Waste – Lee Frey and John Hedges 2:10-2:40 PM
- Funny River Rd. Community Association Exemption – 2:30-3:00 PM
 - Adeena Wilcox

Tues. 8/29

- K-Beach Flooding 9:00-10:45 AM
 - Brandi Harbaugh
 - Robert Ruffner
 - Sean Kelley
 - John Hedges
- Material Site Ordinance Discussion – Sean Kelley 10:45-11:15 AM
- Triumvirate Theatre re: Performing Arts Center 1:00-1:30 PM
- IStation Demo: 2:00-2:45 PM
 - Sam Rangel – Account Executive
 - Kelly Tshibaka
 - D. Hayman
 - V. Whitfield

Wed. 8/30

- KSRM *Sound Off!* – Community Outreach 9:00-10:00 AM

Thurs. 8/31

- Brandi Harbaugh 10:00-10:30 AM

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- Old Timers' Luncheon – Kenai Senior Center Noon-1:00 PM
- Mayor's Packet Meeting 1:30-2:30 PM

Fri. 9/1

- Kenai Peninsula Crisis Services (MS Teams call) 10:00-11:00 AM
 - Travis Welch – DOR
 - Eric Boyer – DOR
 - Janie Ferguson – DOR
 - Tammy Goggia – KPB
- AKDOT STIP list re: K-Beach drainage – comments Noon-12:30 PM
- Marcus Mueller – KPB Land Management Officer: 12:30-1:00 PM
 - Substandard lot sales and new sale opportunity
 - Availability of spruce bark beetle wood to commercial operators and permit process

Mon. 9/4 – Labor Day Holiday

Tues. 9/5 – Assembly Day

- Teleconference Meeting with SoA Homeland Security Director Bryan Fisher about K-beach Flooding Issues 12:30-1:30 PM
 - Brenda Ahlberg
 - Robert Ruffner
- USPS on the Independent Nikiski Zip Code for Full-service home delivery – Call 1:30-2:00 PM
 - Alaska District Manager John DiPeri
 - USPS Staff
- DNR-KPB re: K-Beach Flooding 2:15-3:15 PM
 - Tom Barrett – DNR
 - Christianna Colles – DNR
 - Robert Ruffner - KPB