

Staff report was given by Platting Specialist Julie Hindman.

Chair Martin open the item for public comment. Seeing and hearing no one wishing to comment, public comment was closed and discussion was opened among the commission.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Horton moved, seconded by Commissioner Fikes to approve the vacation as petitioned based on the means of evaluating public necessity established by KPB 20.65, subject to staff recommendations and compliance with borough code.

Hearing no objection or further discussion, the motion was carried by the following vote:

**MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE:**

Yes - 11	Bentz, Brantley, Fikes, Hooper, Horton, Martin, Morgan, Staggs, Stutzer, Tautfest, Venuti
Absent - 1	Gillham

**ITEM E3 - RIGHT OF WAY VACATION  
VACATE PORTION OF HANKS MILL ROAD (FORMALLY OLD STERLING HIGHWAY)**

<b>KPB File No.</b>	2022-077V
<b>Planning Commission Meeting:</b>	June 27, 2022
<b>Applicant / Owner:</b>	Rosemary Johnson of Anchor Point, Alaska and Cliff and Jana Johnson of Mesa, Arizona
<b>Surveyor:</b>	Jason Young, Mark Aimonetti / Edge Survey and Design, LLC
<b>General Location:</b>	Hanks Mill Road, Natascha Avenue, Sterling Highway / Happy Valley, Anchor Point, APC
<b>Legal Description:</b>	Hanks Mill Road, formally known as Old Sterling Highway, within Section 7, Township 3 South, Range 14 West.

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Jason Young, Edge Survey & Design; P.O. Box 208, Kasilof, AK 99610: Mr. Young is the surveyor for this project. He noted this section is part of an old historic right-of-way (ROW) and is not used any more. The culverts are washed out. It drops over 50' down to the creek and is basically not safe to use. This section of Hanks Mill Road dead ends onto his client's property. There is a history of trespass related to this road. There is a waterfall on Happy Creek. The public will park on this section of road and trespass across the owner's property to get to the falls. His clients wish to vacate this section of the ROW to reduce the amount of trespass occurring on their property.

Chair Martin asked Mr. Young if he knew what year the new section of the Sterling Highway, which replaced this old section, was constructed. Mr. Young replied he thought it was sometime in the 1950s. He again noted that no one has used this section of ROW for many years.

Seeing and hearing no one else wishing to comment, public comment was closed and discussion was opened among the commission.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brantley moved, seconded by Commissioner Fikes to approve the vacation as petitioned based on the means of evaluating public necessity established by KPB 20.65, subject to staff recommendations and compliance with borough code.

Hearing no objection or further discussion, the motion was carried by the following vote:

**MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE:**

Yes - 11	Bentz, Brantley, Fikes, Hooper, Horton, Martin, Morgan, Staggs, Stutzer, Tautfest, Venuti
Absent - 1	Gillham