Assembly on 2016-07-26 6:00 PM

Meeting Time: 07-26-16 18:00

eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
Assembly on 2016-07-26 6:00 PM	07-26-16 18:00	81	4	0	2	0

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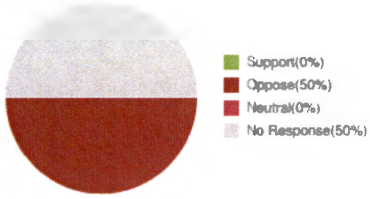

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4. 2016-22 An Ordinance Amending KPB 16.08.010 and 16.24.010 to Move the Common Boundary Between the Central Kenai Peninsula Hospital Service Area and the South Kenai Peninsula Hospital Service Area South, Subject to Approval by Voters Residing in the Central Kenai Peninsula Hospital Service Area and the Proposed New Area (Johnson, Bagley) [Clerks Note: A teleconference Site will be established at the Borough Office in Homer to receive public testimony on the above ordinance during the assembly meeting.]	2	0	0	0
6. 2016-24 An Ordinance Amending KPB 5.12.105 to Allow for a Phase-Out of the Optional Senior Citizen Exemption for New Applicants by the Year 2024, Subject to Voter Approval (Mayor)	1	0	1	0
7. 2016-25 An Ordinance Amending KPB 2.40.010 to Reduce Planning Commission Membership (Johnson)	1	0	1	0

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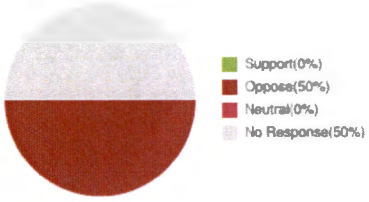

Agenda Item: eComments for 4. 2016-22 An Ordinance Amending KPB 16 08.010 and 16.24.010 to Move the Common Boundary Between the Central Kenai Peninsula Hospital Service Area and the South Kenai Peninsula Hospital Service Area South, Subject to Approval by Voters Residing in the Central Kenai Peninsula Hospital Service Area and the Proposed New Area (Johnson, Bagley)

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Overall Sentiment

Ralph Broshes
Location:
Submitted At: 4:57am 07-25-16

Ralph Broshes I am the chairman of SPHSAB but I am speaking for myself , you already have the SA's recommendations.

I am opposed to ordinance 2016-22.

This ordinance would have a negative financial impact on the SPH.

If the ordinance is amended and the boundary is moved farther south this would impact the village and the Nilnilchick clinic.

Dr Spencer is shared by the SPH and the clinic as well as support from the hospital to the clinic. If the clinic is not located in SPHSA the support to the clinic would be lost. This would be a lost to the Nilnilchick village.

Since this ordinance has an impact on the entire service area the vote should be by the entire service area.

The ordinance goes to the Barbara Drive which would not involve the Nilnilchick clinic and would not split the village. An amendment to the ordinance that would go farther south would split the village and remove the clinic from SPHSA.

The assembly formed the health care task force to make recommendations for health care in the borough . Since the task force has not reviewed or recommended this change it seems premature to be passing this ordinance at this time.

I do not support the ordinance 2016-22

If an ordinance or amended ordinance is passed it should not be south of Barbara Drive and leave the Nilnilchick clinic in the South Peninsula Hospital service area.

The Health Task Force has not given recommendations for a service area boundary change and this would be premature to pass this at this time.

If this goes to the voters the entire service area should be able to vote on the change since it will affect the entire service area.

Thank You

Ralph Broshes

Duane Christensen
Location:
Submitted At: 9:59pm 07-21-16

To the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

Concerning your proposed changes to the Common Boundary between Central Kenai Peninsula Hospital Services and South Kenai Peninsula Hospital Services.

First of all, contrary to Brent Johnson's contention, it is a longer distance from Ninilchik to Central Peninsula

Hospital than it is from Ninilchik to South Peninsula Hospital. Here are some stats:
1) In 2014 SPH treated 245 discrete residents from Clam Gulch and Ninilchik in its Homer facilities on 939 separate visits.
2) In FY 2015 SPH treated 250 discrete residents from Clam Gulch and Ninilchik in its Homer facilities on 917 separate visits.
3) In the first ten months of FY 2016, SPH treated 278 residents from Clam Gulch and Ninilchik in its Homer facilities on 911 separate visits.

Secondly, the residents of the southern boundary will not even have a say in this matter. Where does Kenai and Soldotna get off thinking they can make this determination for them? This is just a money grab by the central seat of power on the peninsula, as usual. If the residents along the southern boundary desire to be moved into Central Services, then it should be up to them, not anyone else.

Third, it will not reduce taxes for the residents affected for many years to come because of bonded indebtedness.

Ninilchik residents have been enjoying expanded services from SPH in their area over the last few years. These expanded services will go away if the boundaries are changed.

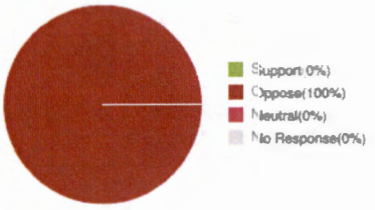
Lastly, Dr. Spence's efforts to provide addiction medicine clinics for the southern Kenai Peninsula will no doubt be negatively impacted.

This boundary change makes no sense for any reasonable thinking individual. In fact, if anything should be changed, the southern boundary should be moved closer to Soldotna, since this boundary splits some parts of Ninilchik. So, in this light, I would propose the boundary change be moved north, so that all of Ninilchik is part of the South Kenai Peninsula Hospital Services Area.

Duane Christensen

Agenda Item: eComments for 6. 2016-24 An Ordinance Amending KPB 5.12.105 to Allow for a Phase-Out of the Optional Senior Citizen Exemption for New Applicants by the Year 2024, Subject to Voter Approval (Mayor)

Overall Sentiment



peter zuyus
Location:
Submitted At: 1:11am 07-23-16

Open Letter to the KPB Assembly

On July 26 you will be voting on Mayor Navarre's Ordinance 2016-24 to eliminate the KPB Senior exemption.

During your Assembly campaigns, many of you spoke about and highlighted support for the Senior citizens of the KPB. Ordinance 2026-24 is written to end the Senior real estate exemption which has been a part of the KPB codes since 1980.

The Ordinance attempts to turn Seniors against Seniors and children and grandchildren against their parents, by

demonizing Seniors as a burden to the KPB community. The mayor and his surrogates are asking the Assembly to join them in turning on the Seniors of the KPB. One of their justifications is they are not eliminating the exemption, they just want to phase it out. Phasing out and eliminating are the same thing, period. You and we are not stupid.

The political tactic of dividing Seniors against Seniors, residents against Seniors and demonizing Seniors is a political tactic direct from the teachings of Marx, Goebbels and Saul Alinsky. Fortunately this is America and most people reject these tactics and cringe at these un-American philosophies. I encourage you to distance yourselves from this political shame.

Voting yes is anti-Senior, immoral and unethical at best. Following and condoning the discredited political tactics is deplorable.

Please stand up for the principles you previously espoused and VOTE NO on Ordinance 2016-24. Be proud and support Seniors.

Disclaimer: I am 71 years old and will not be affected by the Ordinance, but believe that our Seniors and the next generation of Seniors are an important and treasured part of the KPB community.

Peter Zuyus
Homer, Alaska

Agenda Item: eComments for 7. 2016-25 An Ordinance Amending KPB 2.40.010 to Reduce Planning Commission Membership (Johnson)

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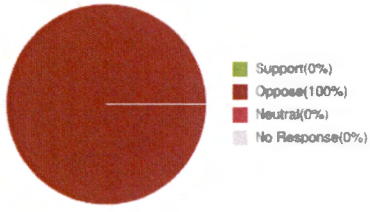

Paulette Bokenko Carluccio
Location:
Submitted At: 7:19pm 07-26-16

July 25, 2016

Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly
144 N. Binkley
Soldotna, AK 99669

RE: Ordinance 2016-25; An ordinance amending KPB 2.40.010 to reduce Planning Commission Membership and the Amendment to the Ordinance.

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Assembly,

I apologize for not attending the Assembly Meeting in person but my work requirements make that impossible.

Because of the mounting opposition to Ordinance 2016-25, I am addressing my comments to the Amendment. The one thing this amendment does is deprive Seldovia of its representation. It is not included in any area.

As a first class city, Seldovia has been represented on the KPB Planning Commission since its inception. All of the commissioners that represented Seldovia were dedicated and conscientious in their commitment to the KPB Planning Commission. It does cost more but it also costs the Seldovia commissioner more in time and effort than any other commissioner. There were times when they were unable to attend because of bad weather. But there were many more times when they made the extra effort; drove to Jakolof Bay; and took the water taxi to Homer; thus adding one and a half hours to their travel time. They also spent many hours at the airport, waiting for a break in the clouds or a lifting of the fog so they could get back to Seldovia. They willingly made and continue to make this extra effort without additional compensation.

One of the arguments I've heard is that Seldovia doesn't have a lot of issues coming before the Planning Commission. Is this even a valid argument? Is it that commissioners only vote or voice an opinion on items pertaining to their area? As an example, why should Seward or Homer and not Seldovia have a say on whether a Conditional Use Permit is granted in Nikiski? Each commissioner brings his or her expertise to the Planning Commission. Some of the most probing questions are often asked by commissioners not living in or around the affected area.

If the Borough is looking for a cost savings, then reduce the number of meetings to once a month.

One of the arguments presented for not going to a 15 member commission is that the meetings would last too long if everyone had an opportunity to speak. During the past year, we've had several meetings that were shorter than the time it took me to get there. Adding 2 members will not appreciable add to the length of the meetings.

As the present representative of the City of Seldovia, I urge you to Vote: "No". Please do not deprive Seldovia of it's representation. Thank you for your consideration .

Sincerely,

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