

Kenai Peninsula Borough

Meeting Minutes - Final

	Assembly	
	Wayne Ogle, President	
	Dale Bagley, Vice President	
	Norm Blakeley	
	Kenn Carpenter	
	Kelly Cooper	
	Willy Dunne	
	Paul Fischer	
	Brent Hibbert	
	Hal Smalley	
Tuesday, June 5, 2018	6:00 PM	Assembly Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

[Clerk's Note: The invocation was given by President Ogle.]

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Willy Dunne, Paul Fischer, Dale Bagley, Brent Hibbert, Kenn Carpenter, Norm Blakeley, Kelly Cooper, Hal Smalley, and Wayne Ogle

Also present were:

Charlie Pierce, Borough Mayor John Quick, Chief of Staff Colette Thompson, Borough Attorney Johni Blankenship, Borough Clerk Michele Turner, Deputy Borough Clerk

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Assembly Member Cooper stated the Finance Committee met and discussed its agenda items.

Assembly Member Carpenter stated the Lands Committee met and discussed its agenda items.

Assembly Member Hibbert stated the Policies and Procedures Committee met and discussed its agenda items.

President Ogle stated the Assembly had a work session with Mike Sutton, Alaska Director of Homeland Security, who presented Emergency Management and Disaster Response for Elected Officials.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Bagley moved to approve the agenda and consent agenda.

<u>KPB-1746</u> May 15, 2018 Regular Assembly Meeting Minutes approved.

The following public hearing item met the required conditions of KPB 22.40.110 and were added to the consent agenda:

<u>2018-22</u>	An Ordinance Authorizing a Community Trail Management Agreement with Kachemak Nordic Ski Club (Mayor, Dunne)						
	[Clerk's Note: The final Whereas clause in Ordinance 2018-22 was amended to read, "the KPB Planning Commission, at its regularly scheduled meeting of						
	May 29, 2018 recommended <u>approval by unanimous consent</u> ."]						
	This Ordinance was enacted as amended.						

New Business

<u>2018-028</u>	A R	esolution	Authorizing	the	Assessor	to:	Acce	pt Two	Late-Fi	led
	Senio	r Citizen	Exemption	Appl	ications a	and	One]	Late-Filed	Proof	of
	Disab	ility for Co	ontinuing the l	Disabl	ed Veterai	n Exe	emption	n (Mayor)		
	This Re	solution was	adopted.							

2018-027 A Resolution Supporting Proposals to Name Two Mountain Peaks Located East of Resurrection Bay as Mount Mary and Santa Ana Peak (Carpenter, Dunne)

[Clerk's Note: The final Whereas clause of Resolution 2018-027 was amended to read, "on May 29, 2018, the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conducted a public hearing and [VOTED] recommended approval by unanimous consent."]

This Resolution was adopted as amended.

<u>2018-19-01</u> An Ordinance Providing for an Exception to KPB 5.20.080 and Transferring \$1,750,000 from the Land Trust Fund to the General Fund (Carpenter)

This Budget Ordinance was introduced and set for public hearing.

2018-25 An Ordinance Repealing KPB 5.18.430(F) which Requires Voter Approval to Increase the Sales Tax Cap (Carpenter) (Hearing on 07/17/18)

This Ordinance was introduced and set for public hearing.

Petition to Vacate the Westernmost 198.22 Feet of the Skein Avenue **KPB-1744** Right-of-way as Dedicated on Kasilof River Industrial Tracts, Plat KN 81-71. The Portion the Right-of-way Being Vacated of is Located Within the N1/2 of Section Unconstructed and 1. T3N. R12W, S.M., AK, Within the Kenai Peninsula Borough; KPB File 2017-168R1V (Referred to the Lands Committee)

> [Clerk's Note: The Planning Commission approved the above referenced petition to vacate its May 14, 2018 meeting by at unanimous consent.]

approved.

Approval of the Agenda and Consent Agenda

President Ogle called for public comment.

Daniel Lynch, Soldotna spoke in support of Ordinance 2018-25.

There being no one else who wished to speak the public comment period was closed.

The motion to approve the agenda and consent carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Dunne, Fischer, Bagley, Hibbert, Carpenter, Blakeley, Cooper, Smalley, and Ogle

COMMENDING RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

None.

PRESENTATIONS WITH PRIOR NOTICE

<u>KPB-1745</u> Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Quarterly Report (10 Minutes)

[Clerk's Note: Sean Dusek, Superientendent and Penny Vadla, School Board President presented a quarterly report for the school district.]

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA

President Ogle called for public comment.

Maureen Todd, Ninilchik addressed the assembly regarding adverse childhood experiences.

Brother Tom Patmore, Clam Gulch spoke about starving polar bears.

Fred Sturman, Soldotna spoke about the poor public seating in assembly chambers.

Ron Carmen, Nikiski spoke about the revenue generated by the net fishery parking lots.

There being no one else who wished to speak the public comment period was closed.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor's Report Cover Memo

<u>KPB-1747</u> Mayor's Report Cover Memo

- 1. Assembly Requests/Responses None
- 2. Agreements and Contracts
- a. <u>KPB-1738</u> Authorization to Award a Contract for ITB18-018 Homer Middle School Gym Floor Replacement 2018 to Alaska Industries, Inc., Wasilla Alaska.
- **b.** <u>KPB-1739</u> Authorization to Award a Contract for ITB18-019 Flooring Replacement 2018 to Aurora Flooring, Anchorage, Alaska.
- c. <u>KPB-1740</u> Request for Waiver of Formal Bidding per Kenai Peninsula Borough Code of Ordinances 5.28.300 Central Peninsula Hospital Phase VI OB/Cath Lab Project Electrical Feed to HEA.
- d. <u>KPB-1741</u> Authorization to Award a Contract for RFP18-006 Health Benefits Consultant to Marsh & McLennan Agency LLC.
- 3. Other
- a. <u>KPB-1742</u> Revenue-Expenditure Report April 2018
- b. <u>KPB-1743</u> Budget Revisions April 2018
- c. <u>KPB-1748</u> LAYDOWN Appointment to the Alaska Liquefied Natural Gasline Project Advisory Committee - Elizabeth Appleby, Alternate

ITEMS NOT COMPLETED FROM PRIOR AGENDA

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ORDINANCES

<u>2018-19</u> An Ordinance Appropriating Funds for Fiscal Year 2019 (Mayor)

[Clerk's Note: A teleconference site will be established at the Borough Office in Homer in order to take public testimony on the above referenced Ordinance.]

[Clerk's Note: The motion to enact was on the floor from the May 15, 2018 meeting.]

President Ogle called for public comment.

The following people addressed the assembly regarding Ordinance 2018-19:

Merrilk Sikofski, Soldotna Karl Kilcher, Soldotna George Pierce, Kasilof Pamela Parker, Parkwood Circle Fred Sturman, Soldotna Tim Dillon, Kenai David Brighton, Kenai Ron Carmen, Nikiski Jesse Bjorkman, Nikiski

There being no one else who wished to speak the public comment period was closed.

Smalley moved to amend Ordinance 2018-19 as follows:

Amend Section 2 to read, "The following is appropriated to the School Fund from local sources for operations purposes and in-kind services:

- A. Local Effort \$[38,883,797] 39,536,406
- B. Maintenance [7,929,758] 7,929,758
- C. School District Utilities 89,900
- D. School District Insurance 2,621,584
- E. School District Audit 93,000
- F. Custodial Services 120,393

Total Local Contribution per AS 14.17.410 \$[49,738,432] 50,391,041"

The motion to amend the Ordinance 2018-19 carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Dunne, Bagley, Hibbert, Cooper, and Smalley

No: 4 - Fischer, Carpenter, Blakeley, and Ogle

Bagley moved to amend the FY2019 budget document as follows:

Page 61, Assembly Administration, increase account number 100.11110.00000.48720 to \$20,000.

Assembly Member Cooper spoke in opposition to the Bagley amendment.

The motion to amend the FY2019 budget document failed by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Dunne, Fischer, Bagley, and Smalley

No: 5 - Hibbert, Carpenter, Blakeley, Cooper, and Ogle

Dunne moved to amend the FY2019 budget document as follows:

Page 238, Road Service Area, increase account number 236.33950.00000.43011 to \$100,000.

The motion to amend the FY2019 budget document carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Dunne, Fischer, Bagley, Hibbert, Carpenter, Blakeley, Cooper, Smalley, and Ogle

Cooper moved to amend the FY2019 budget document and Ordinance 2018-19 as follows:

Page 330, School Revenue Captial Project Fund:

"Areawide asbestos abatement \$[75,000] Areawide flooring replacements/upgrades [100,000] <u>175,000</u>"

Amend Section 1 to read, "That \$[80,909,869] <u>81,562,478</u> is appropriated in the General Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 as follows:

General Government Operations \$17,339,708 Transfer to School District for Operations and In-kind Services [49,738,432] <u>50,391,041</u> Transfer to School Debt Service 3,801,562 Transfer to Special Revenue Funds: Solid Waste 7,306,501 Post-Secondary Education 820,685 911 Communications Fund 300,000 Nikiski Senior Service Area 52,981 Eastern Peninsula Highway Emergency Service Area 350,000 Transfer to Capital Projects Funds: School Revenue 1,200,000"

Amend Section 2 to read, "The following is appropriated to the School Fund from

local sources for operations purposes and in-kind services:

A. Local Effort \$[38,883,797] 39,536,406 B. Maintenance 7,929,758 C. School District Utilities 89,900 D. School District Insurance 2,621,584 E. School District Audit 93.000 F. Custodial Services 120,393 Total Local Contribution per AS 14.17.410 \$[49,738,432] 50,391,041" Amend Section 4 to read, "That the appropriations for the Special Revenue Funds for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 are as follows: Nikiski Fire Service Area \$5,243,447 Bear Creek Fire Service Area 613.093 Anchor Point Fire and Emergency Medical Service Area 1,208,331 Central Emergency Service Area 9,506,338 Central Peninsula Emergency Medical Service Area 7.614 Kachemak Emergency Service Area 1.204.771 Eastern Peninsula Highway Emergency Area 406,800 Seward Bear Creek Flood Service Area 372,015 911 Communications 2.351.326 Kenai Peninsula Borough Road Service Area [8,303,211] 8,333,211 Engineer's Estimate Fund 2,000 North Peninsula Recreation Service Area 2.313.598 Seldovia Recreational Service Area 69,305 Post-Secondary Education 820,685 Land Trust 1,089,705 Nikiski Senior Service Area 398,200 Solid Waste 8,212,205 Central Kenai Peninsula Hospital Service Area 9,730,289 South Kenai Peninsula Hospital Service Area 4,195,069" The motion to amend the FY2019 budget document and Ordinance 2018-19 carried by the following vote: Yes: 9 - Dunne, Fischer, Bagley, Hibbert, Carpenter, Blakeley, Cooper, Smalley, and Ogle The motion to enact Ordinance 2018-19 as amended carried by the following vote: Yes: 7 - Dunne, Bagley, Hibbert, Carpenter, Cooper, Smalley, and Ogle

No: 2 - Fischer, and Blakeley

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<u>2018-20</u> An Ordinance Amending KPB 5.18.200 to Amend the Seasonal
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Exemption from Sales Taxes of Nonprepared Food Items to Apply from October 1 to March 31 of Each Year (Bagley)

Cooper moved to enact Ordinance 2018-20.

President Ogle called for public comment.

Daniel Lynch, Soldotna spoke in support of Ordinance 2018-20.

The following people spoke in opposition to Ordinance 2018-20:

Fred Sturman, Soldotna George Pierce, Kasilof Ron Carmen, Niksiki Duane Bannock, Kenai

There being no one else who wished to speak the public comment period was closed.

Bagley moved to amend Ordinance 2018-20 as follows:

Amend the title to read, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING KPB 5.18.200 TO [REPEAL] <u>AMEND</u> THE SEASONAL EXEMPTION FROM SALES TAXES OF NONPREPARED FOOD ITEMS <u>TO APPLY FROM OCTOBER 1 TO</u> <u>MARCH 31 OF EACH YEAR</u>"

Amend the fifth Whereas clause to read, "[REPEALING] <u>reducing</u> the seasonal nonprepared food sales tax exemption <u>from 9 months to 6 months</u> will increase revenues for the borough and <u>general law cities and</u> help enable [IT] <u>the borough</u> to eliminate the budgetary shortfall <u>and still leave the exemption in place for six months;</u> <u>and</u>"

Add a new Whereas clause following the fifth Whereas clause to read, "changing the exemption period to coincide with typical quarterly filing periods will help the sellers administer the exemption;"

Amend Section 1 to read, "That KPB 5.18.200(15)(d), providing for a seasonal exemption of nonprepared food from sales taxes, is hereby [REPEALED.] <u>amended</u> <u>as follows:</u>

5.18.200. Exemptions/waivers - Exemptions.

. . .

15. Retail sales of food are exempt in the following circumstances:

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d. Exemptions/waivers - Sales of nonprepared food items by sellers authorized to participate in the federal food stamp program and by convenience stores. Sales tax is prohibited on sales of nonprepared food items sold by sellers authorized to participate

in the federal food stamp program and by convenience stores from [SEPTEMBER] <u>October 1 until [MAY] March 31</u> of each year. These food items exempted from sales tax include those which have been previously granted exemption in KPB 5.18.200(14) for food purchased with coupons issued under the federal food stamp program. "Convenience store" means a small retail business that stocks a range of everyday items such as groceries, snack foods, confectionery, toiletries, soft drinks, tobacco products, magazines and newspapers, with those items providing the majority of the store's sales."

Assembly Members Cooper and Fischer spoke in opposition to the Bagley amendment.

The motion to amend Ordinance 2018-20 carried by the following vote:

- Yes: 8 Dunne, Fischer, Bagley, Hibbert, Carpenter, Blakeley, Smalley, and Ogle
- No: 1 Cooper

Bagley moved to postpone Ordinance 2018-20 as amended to June 19, 2018.

The motion to postopne Ordinance 2018-20 as amended to June 19, 2018 carried by the following vote:

- Yes: 9 Dunne, Fischer, Bagley, Hibbert, Carpenter, Blakeley, Cooper, Smalley, and Ogle
- 2018-21 An Ordinance Providing for the Submission to the Qualified Voters of the Kenai Peninsula Borough the Question of the Issuance of Not to Exceed Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000) of General Obligation Bonds of the Kenai Peninsula Borough to Pay the Local Required Match Portion of the Costs of the Kachemak-Selo New K-12 School Construction Project at an Election in and for the Kenai Peninsula Borough on October 2, 2018 (Mayor)

Cooper moved to enact Ordinance 2018-21.

President Ogle called for public comment.

The following people spoke in support of Ordinance 2018-21:

John Kelly, Homer Debbie Carey, Ninilchik Brent Johnson, Clam Gulch Daniel Lynch, Soldotna Penny Vadla, Soldotna Debbie Speakman, Kachemak City Minor Child, Kachemak-Selo Sean Dusek, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Superintendent The following people spoke in opposition to Ordinance 2018-21:

Fred Sturman, Soldotna George Pierce, Kasilof Jesse Bjorkman, Nikiski

There being no one else who wished to speak the public comment period was closed.

Cooper moved to amend Ordinance 2018-21 as follows:

Amend the title to read, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THE QUESTION OF THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED [THREE] <u>FIVE</u> MILLION [FIVE] <u>FOUR</u> HUNDRED <u>FIFTY</u> THOUSAND DOLLARS \$[3,500,000] <u>5,450,000</u>) OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH TO PAY THE LOCAL REQUIRED MATCH PORTION OF THE COSTS OF THE KACHEMAK-SELO NEW K-12 SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT AT AN ELECTION IN AND FOR THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ON OCTOBER 2, 2018"

Amend the third Whereas clause to read, "the educational specifications for the new school were funded by a Community Development Block grant in 2013 and subsequently approved by the Department of Education and Early Development ("DEED") during the FY2017 grant application process and awarded \$[8,896,640] 10,010,000 in funding through the State of Alaska 2016-2017 Capital Budget under the School Construction grant program; and"

Amend the fourth Whereas clause to read, "the \$[8,896,640] <u>10,010,000</u> DEED grant require[d]s a 35% match of \$[3,113,824] <u>5,390,000</u> be provided by the Kenai Peninsula Borough ("Borough"); and"

Amend the seventh Whereas clause to read, "it is expected that the estimated cost of this construction project will not exceed \$[12,396,640] <u>15,460,000</u>; and"

Amend the eighth Whereas clause to read, "the Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education at its June 4, 2018, meeting recommended <u>approval</u>; [and]"

Delete the ninth Whereas clause in its entirety.

Amend Section 1 to read, "It is hereby determined to be for a public purpose and in the public interest of the Kenai Peninsula Borough, Alaska (the "Borough") to incur general obligation bonded indebtedness in an amount not to exceed [THREE] five million [FIVE] four hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$[3,500,000] 5,450,000), for the purpose of paying the costs of planning, land acquisition, designing, site

preparation, constructing, acquiring, renovating, installing, and equipping the Kachemak-Selo New K-12 School Construction project. The Borough will not issue bonds in a principal amount greater than the total estimated cost of projects approved [FOR REIMBURSEMENT] by the State of Alaska Department of Education and Early Development. [THE USE OF PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF EDUCATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS WILL OCCUR ONLY IF, AND TO THE EXTENT THAT, SUCH PROJECT QUALIFIES FOR DEBT LEAST 70 PERCENT SERVICE REIMBURSEMENT AT UNDER ALASKA STATUTE 14.11.100, AS THE SAME MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME.] Upon completion of the projects, any unexpended bond proceeds, including interest income generated through investment of the bond funds, may be used to fund any other educational capital improvement projects chosen by the borough and approved by the Department of Education and Early Development."

Amend Section 2 to read, "The sum of not to exceed [THREE] five million [FIVE] four hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$[3,500,000] 5,450,000) shall be borrowed by, for and on behalf of the Borough for the education capital improvements described above and shall be evidenced by the issuance of general obligation bonds of the Borough. The bond proceeds shall be used only for capital improvements and costs of issuance of the bonds. The full faith and credit of the Borough is pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds, and *ad valorem* taxes upon all taxable property in the Borough shall be levied without limitation as to rate or amount to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds when due."

Amend Section 3 to read, "An election is to be held on October 2, 2018, in and for the Kenai Peninsula Borough, for the purpose of submitting a general obligation bond proposition to the qualified voters of the Borough for approval or rejection. The proposition must receive a majority vote of those in the Borough voting on the question to be approved. The proposition shall be substantially in the following form: PROPOSITION NO.

EDUCATIONAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

Shall the Kenai Peninsula Borough borrow up to \$[3,500,000] <u>5,450,000</u> through the issuance of general obligation bonds?

The general obligation bond proceeds will be used to pay the 35% local required contribution for the costs of planning, <u>land acquisition</u>, designing, site preparation, constructing, acquiring, renovating, installing, and equipping the Kachemak-Selo New K-12 School Construction Project.

The debt will be paid from *ad valorem* taxes on all taxable property levied and collected areawide in the Borough. The Borough will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the debt. The approximate annual amount of taxes on \$100,000 of assessed real or personal property value (based on the Borough's FY2018 taxable assessed valuation) to retire the debt is \$[1.05]4.95 [, ASSUMING 70 PERCENT DEBT SERVICE REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE STATE OF

ALASKA].

[NO BONDS WILL BE ISSUED, UNLESS AND UNTIL THE PROJECT QUALIFIES FOR AT LEAST 70 PERCENT DEBT SERVICE REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE STATE OF ALASKA UNDER EXISTING OR NEW LEGISLATION. RECEIPT OF STATE REIMBURSEMENT IS SUBJECT TO LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS.]"

The motion to amend Ordinance 2018-21 carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Dunne, Fischer, Bagley, Hibbert, Carpenter, Blakeley, Cooper, Smalley, and Ogle

The motion to enact Ordinance 2018-21 as amended carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Dunne, Fischer, Bagley, Hibbert, Carpenter, Blakeley, Cooper, Smalley, and Ogle

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Postponed Items

<u>2018-12</u>	An Ordinance Increasing the Borough Sales Tax Rate from 3.0 Percent to 3.5 Percent by Amending KPB 5.18.100, Subject to Approval by the Voters in the Regular Election on October 2, 2018 (Cooper, Smalley)					
	[Clerk's Note: The motion to enact was on the floor from the April 3, 2018 meeting.]					
	President Cooper called for public comment.					
	The following people spoke in support of Ordinance 2018-12:					
	Adriane Sweeney, Homer					
	Linda Hutchings, Soldotna					
	Debbie Speakman, Kachemak City					
	Carrie Henson, Soldonta					
	Debbie Carey, Ninilchik					
	The following people spoke in opposition to Ordinance 2018-12:					
	Bruce Wall, Soldotna					
	Ron Carmen, Nikiski					
	Fred Sturman, Soldotna					
	Paul Ostrander, Kenai City Manager					
	Jesse Bjorkman, Nikiski					
	There being no one else who wished to speak, the public comempt period was					

There being no one else who wished to speak, the public comemnt period was closed.

The motion to enact Ordinance 2018-12 as amended failed by the following vote:

- Yes: 4 Dunne, Fischer, Cooper, and Smalley
- No: 5 Bagley, Hibbert, Carpenter, Blakeley, and Ogle

NEW BUSINESS

Resolutions

<u>2018-026</u> A Resolution Setting the Rate of Levy for Fiscal Year 2019, Tax Year 2018 (Mayor)

Cooper moved to adopt Resolution 2018-026.

President Ogle called for public comment.

Duane Bannock, Kenai addressed the assembly regarding Resolution 2018-026.

Karl Kircher, Kasilof spoke in support of Resolution 2018-026.

There being no one else who wished to speak the public comment period was closed. Cooper moved to amend Resolution 2018-026 as follows:

Amend Section 1 to read, "That the rate of levy of taxes on all real and personal property within the Kenai Peninsula Borough for the Fiscal Year 2019 is hereby set at [4.50] <u>5.1</u> mills on each one dollar of assessed value as determined by the assessment roll and any supplemental rolls hereafter certified by the Borough Assessor."

The motion to amend Resolution 2018-026 failed by the following vote:

- Yes: 3 Dunne, Cooper, and Smalley
- No: 6 Fischer, Bagley, Hibbert, Carpenter, Blakeley, and Ogle

Bagley moved to amend Resolution 2018-026 as follows:

Amend Section 1 to read, "That the rate of levy of taxes on all real and personal property within the Kenai Peninsula Borough for the Fiscal Year 2019 is hereby set at [4.50] <u>4.7</u> mills on each one dollar of assessed value as determined by the assessment roll and any supplemental rolls hereafter certified by the Borough Assessor."

The motion to amend Resolution 2018-026 carried by the following vote:

- Yes: 5 Dunne, Bagley, Hibbert, Cooper, and Smalley
- No: 4 Fischer, Carpenter, Blakeley, and Ogle

The motion to adopt Resolution 2018-026 as amended carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Dunne, Bagley, Hibbert, Cooper, and Smalley

No: 4 - Fischer, Carpenter, Blakeley, and Ogle

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

President Ogle called for public comments.

Carrie Henson, Soldotna addressed the assembly stating she graded them at a "C" for this budget process.

Fred Sturman, Soldotna addressed the assembly regarding tax increases and employee's raises should not be based on a percentage.

Jesse Bjorkman, Nikiski thanked the assembly for their hard work and acknowledged how much mis-information was out there.

Karl Kircher, Kasilof thanked the assembly for the passage of Resolution 2018-026.

Penny Vadla, Soldotna thanked the assembly for their due dilligence during the budget process.

There being no one else who wished to speak the public comment period was closed.

ASSEMBLY MEETING AND HEARING ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. June 6, 2018 AKLNG Project Advisory Committee 7:00 PM Nikiski Community Recreation Center

2. June 19, 2018 Regular Assembly Meeting6:00 PM Assembly Chambers, Soldotna, Alaska

ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

Assembly Member Fischer stated he wanted everyone to think about bed and biscuit, not just bed and breakfast.

Assembly Member Dunne thanked everyone who participated in the budget process. He stated he was happy the assembly enacted Ordinance 2018-21 for the Kachemak-Selo school and was hoping the voters would pass the bond.

Assembly Member Blakeley wished everyone a good evening.

Assembly Member Cooper apologized for using the term "sin tax" as that was not appropriate. She stated everyone's input was respected and valued, as everyone was part of the process.

Assembly Member Smalley shared a Kardinal/Kossacks moment, stating the Kenai High School men's soccer team took first in state; the women's soccer team finished fourth in state; the Kenai Middle School's math team took first in borough, first in state, first in the northwest division, as well as at the national level. He stated those were good examples of the quality of our schools in the borough. Mr. Smalley stated there was good discussion and great compromise during the budget process. He wished his wife a happy 50th wedding anniversary.

Assembly Member Hibbert thanked everyone for attending the assembly meeting. He stated everyone may not agree with the assembly's decisions, but that the assembly definitely put their time in. Mr. Hibbert wished everyone a great summer and be safe.

Assembly Member Carpenter thanked everyone for their testimony and wished everyone a good evening.

Assembly Member Bagley stated the budget was one the most important roles the assembly had and thanked everyone who participated in the process, especially Finance Director Brandi Harbaugh. Mr. Bagley gave a status update on Cook Inlet Acquacultures enhancement projects in Kachemak Bay and Resurrection Bay.

Assembly President Ogle shared he attended graduations at both the Kenai Peninsula College and Nikiski High School, stating it was very invigorating. He echoed the Mayor's comments regarding Scott Griebel's performance as both the interim roads director and maintenance director. He stated he agreed with the Mayor's budget as presented, but after it had gone through the processes, he felt it came out with a fairly decent result.

INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS AND REPORTS

NOTICE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the assembly, President Ogle adjourned the meeting at 11:09 p.m.

I certify the above represents accurate minutes of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly meeting of June 5, 2018.

Johni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk

Approved by the Assembly: