MEETING NO. 2010-21: The Regular Meeting of the City and Borough of Juneau Assembly, held in the Assembly Chambers of the Municipal Building, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Bruce Botelho.

I. ROLL CALL

Assembly Present: Jonathan Anderson, Bruce Botelho, Jeff Bush, Ruth Danner, Bob Doll, Johan Dybdahl (telephonic), Merrill Sanford, David Stone, and Randy Wanamaker.

Assembly Absent: None.

Staff Present: Rod Swope, City Manager; Kim Kiefer, Deputy City Manager; John Hartle, City Attorney; Laurie Sica, Municipal Clerk; Craig Duncan, Finance Director; Rorie Watt, Engineering Director; John Stone, Port Director; Barbara Berg, Library Director; Joe Buck, Public Works Director; Scott Jeffers, Deputy Public Works Director; Garth Hamblin, CFO, Bartlett Regional Hospital; Glen Gelbrich, Superintendent, JSD; Deb Morse, Supervisor, JSD Maintenance and Facilities; David Means, Director, JSD Administrative Services.

II. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS – None.

A. Employee Recognition – Sandra Strandtmann, Library

Barbara Berg acknowledged Sandra Strandtmann for 20 years of service to the Juneau Public Library as the Youth Services Librarian. Among her many accomplishments, Ms. Strandtmann developed a popular summer reading program, a bookmark program that has been copied widely across the state, and pioneered www.tutor.com as part of the state live digital pipeline project. Ms. Strandtmann has encouraged her fellow employees on staff and across the state library system to be innovative. Ms. Berg wished Ms. Strandtmann well in her retirement.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. August 9, 2010 – Regular Assembly Meeting 2010-20

Hearing no objection, the minutes of the August 9, 2010 - Regular Assembly Meeting 2010-20 were approved.

IV. MANAGER’S REQUEST FOR AGENDA CHANGES – None.

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS – None.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Public Requests for Consent Agenda Changes, Other Than Ordinances for Introduction– None.

B. Assembly Requests for Consent Agenda Changes – None.
C. Assembly Action

*MOTION*, by Anderson, to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Hearing no objection, the Consent Agenda was adopted.

1. Ordinances for Introduction

   a. Ordinance 2010-23b
   *An Ordinance Amending The Second-Hand Smoke Control Code Regarding Smoking In Commercial Passenger Vehicles, And Providing For A Penalty.*

   **Administrative Report:** Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2010-23b be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

   b. Ordinance 2010-29

   **Administrative Report:** Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2010-29 be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

   c. Ordinance 2009-08(AR)
   *An Ordinance Appropriating To The Manager The Sum Of $1,884,230 To Fund The City And Borough Of Juneau’s Fiscal Year 2010 Public Employee Retirement System Contribution, Funding Provided By The Alaska Department Of Administration.*

   **Administrative Report:** Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2009-08(AR) be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

   d. Ordinance 2010-11(P)
   *An Ordinance Appropriating To The Manager The Sum Of $600,000 As Partial Funding For The Planning, Preliminary Design, And Permitting Of An Extension To The North Douglas Highway, Funding Provided Through A Transfer Of Responsibility Agreement Entered Into With The State Of Alaska Department Of Transportation And Public Facilities.*

   **Administrative Report:** Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2010-11(P) be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

2. Bid Award

   a. Bid E10-221
   *BRH Medical Surgical East Wing Renovation.*

   **Administrative Report:** Attached. The manager recommended award of this project to McGraw Custom Construction for the Base Bid plus Additive Alternates 1 – 5, for a total award of $3,420,500.
VII. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Ordinance 2010-24
An Ordinance Authorizing The Port Director To Negotiate And Execute A Lease Of A Portion Of Lot 3, Block 51, Of The Alaska Tidelands Addition To The City Of Juneau, Located Near The Douglas Bridge Along Harbor Way, For An Existing Building Housing Retail Businesses And Marine Related Businesses And Uses.


Public Comment: None.

Assembly Action:
MOTION, by Danner, to adopt Ordinance 2010-24. Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

B. Ordinance 2010-26
An Ordinance Authorizing The Issuance Of General Obligation Bonds In The Principal Amount Of Not To Exceed $18,700,000, To Finance Renovations To Auke Bay Elementary School, And Submitting A Proposition To The Voters At The Election To Be Held On October 5, 2010.


Public Comment:

Mary Anderson said she had worked on the plans for Auke Bay school repairs and in her professional opinion, it is the most poorly designed school in the district. In the best case, it should be removed and rebuilt, but she supported placing the bond proposition for a remodel project on the ballot.

Assembly Action:
MOTION, by Doll, to adopt Ordinance 2010-26.

Mr. Wanamaker said he could not support this ordinance. He supports the idea of a study of a school in the Lemon Creek neighborhood and this could be the opportunity. Auke Bay Elementary is not a well-designed facility and renovating it may not be the best way to spend resources. He is concerned about the tax burden to residents and said a year of rest and examination would be best to determine if a new school should be built in the Lemon Creek or Auke Bay area. He spoke about declining enrollment and its effects on the school populations.

Roll call:
Aye: Anderson, Bush, Danner, Doll, Dybdahl, Sanford, Stone, Botelho
Nay: Wanamaker
Motion passed, 8 ayes, 1 nay.
C. Ordinance 2010-27

An Ordinance Placing On The Next Regular Municipal Election Ballot The Question Of Whether To Extend The Existing Levy And Collection Of A Temporary 1% Areawide Sales Tax On The Sales Price Of Retail Sales, Rentals, And Services Performed Within The City And Borough, Such Tax Extension To Be Effective On October 1, 2013, For A Period Of Ten Years, The Proceeds Of Which Are Intended To Be Appropriated By The Assembly For The Purpose Of Design, Permitting, And Construction Of A North Douglas Transportation Crossing; And Calling For An Election On Whether Such Sales Tax Shall Be So Levied.


Public Comment:

Ron Somerville said he participated in discussions on the crossing project in the past through his association with Territorial Sportsmen, when it had been determined that the Vanderbilt Hill route alternative had the least impact on the refuge. He said he was testifying on his own behalf. He is not opposed to the crossing but disagrees with this ordinance. These types of projects never go according to plan, this will cost more than $70 million. Telling the voters that this can be completed for this amount of money is duping the public. The embankment project is expensive. He said SAFE had not done a bad job, but there was nothing in its proposal that is a complete project package. If the measure was worded so it was not specific to a route, for some logical period of time, with an outlined sequence of events, he could possibly support it. The public will not have an informed decision for the ballot by October. He supported the mayor’s letter and objects to tying up CIP projects for ten years. There are many other worthy projects.

Mr. Anderson asked Mr. Somerville if he understood that if this ordinance passed, it did not bind the Assembly to this specific project. Mr. Anderson said this ordinance identifies citizen preference without legally binding the route. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will have to be done. Mr. Somerville said this approach just confuses the public.

Alan Munro said sales tax on basic human needs is a regressive burden on the poor and middle-class. Juneau is an expensive community and this project is an issue of needs vs. wants. This is to raise startup money to build a fill causeway, estimated at $70 – 100 million or more, or may require issuance of municipal bonds. Other items will be put on the back burner, including affordable housing, docks and harbors, efficient public transportation, improved solid waste handling and alternative energy solutions. There must be a demonstrated superior public need to allow this crossing in the state game refuge. There are water quality issues to address requirements of the Clean Water Act and US EPA to consider. He spoke about hydrological stagnation from a fill. He spoke about the negative biological effects of the fill. Before the assembly votes, it should revisit the entire concept and order environmental studies to be conducted.

Rick Shattuck, Chair of the SAFE Committee, which is promoting the project, said the purpose and need is clearly established for the project and is well supported by the community. The committee, in a few days, collected over 650 signatures of people who want to see this project move forward. Studies have narrowed the optimal corridor as the Yandukin to Vanderbilt corridor. The causeway proposed is in the center of that optimal corridor, takes advantage of
the Sunny Point intersection, which is a $35 million cost advantage compared to the Vanderbilt Hill location, connecting with CBJ land at Henrickson Point. The distance from prime waterfowl makes it an environmentally preferred alternative in some ways. The project will make the community safer, more efficient, more connected, and takes advantage of the economic growth opportunities that may arise. The cost estimate in 2010 is actually $67 million, which was produced by a competent local engineering firm and validated by CBJ Engineer Rorie Watt. There are a few “asterisks” with the cost estimate, which cannot be known until the project proceeds further. This is a 50- to 100-year infrastructure project.

Mr. Sanford asked for a show of hands of the people in the room who are in favor of putting this on the ballot. Many people raised their hands.

Wayne Regelin, President of Territorial Sportsmen, said the group does not oppose a second crossing but does have concerns about the location at Sunny Point, the fill causeway and its potential for changing the tides, the environment, and waterfowl hunting. Territorial Sportsmen supports the Vanderbilt location. Speaking on his own behalf, he was very surprised by the speed that this issue is going towards the ballot. This is a significant project and it seems to be rushed. He views this as a tax increase. A temporary tax has an end, and this is a ten-year tax with a minimum of a $70 million project. It is foolish not to take any state or federal money. He realized this is not a priority for the state and federal governments and there may be a good reason for that. This is a desire rather than a necessity. He does support the economic development. He has seen no costs associated with maintenance of this project, once built.

Mr. Anderson asked Mr. Regelin if he was aware that there is nothing in the ordinance to prevent the city from seeking and using state and federal money for the project. Mr. Regelin said he did understand that, but this project only proposes to use city money.

Bob Sylvester agreed with Mr. Somerville, Mr. Munro, and Mr. Regelin. This is a concept only, not a plan and is no way to spend $70 million. The city has other priorities. The AEL&P rate increase will cost the city $2 – 3 million per year, in addition to the current budget. We are identifying all these funds for one project. There will be other projects and emergencies that will require funding. The city is not growing enough to require this project. Many people support a generic crossing, but not this crossing. Many of the taxpayers would like a rest.

Elena Hesson said there is a need for long-term economic development and she would like to see this issue on the ballot.

Murray Walsh said all of the concerns of the “anti-project” testimony can be addressed. He said this is a bold step to address a real need and sends a great message to the rest of the state about the willingness of Juneau to do this project on our own.

Steve Zimmerman, supported Mayor Botelho’s letter and said voting on this proposition more than three years in advance of the expiration of the tax is imprudent. The project, as described, is unrealistic and may be misleading. He does not think it will be permitted. Voters will not have enough information by October. The Corps of Engineers will permit this project under section 404 of the Clean Water Act, for the least environmentally damaging practical alternative, which the Sheinberg report determined is the Vanderbilt crossing. The Vanderbilt crossing is 4,200 feet long and removes 8.3 acres from the refuge, as opposed to this proposal, which is 7,200 feet long and removes 18.5 acres from refuge. The SAFE Committee uses 12...
acres removed as a figure, so that is still more than the Vanderbilt crossing. The voting public should not be led to believe that the approval of this ordinance will approve the crossing. By 2013, the city may find it has greater needs but they may be compelled to spend it on this project. He was concerned about tying up sales tax funds. This discussion should be revisited in 2011, 2012, or 2013.

Mark Schwan said he was representing the Juneau Audobon Society, which is opposed to the project as proposed. They respect the promoter’s eagerness to support the project, but the project seems unwise and unrealistic. He supported previous speakers’ comments.

Brian Holst, Executive Director of the Juneau Economic Development Council, encouraged the Assembly to put the matter on the ballot. The Assembly has to envision the long-term future growth of the community and this project fits into that long-term goal. Economic growth is all about change. Change is difficult, there are many issues to be discovered. We all anticipate we will find out more and we can trust the Assembly to follow the environmental process and make the appropriate decisions. This sends a strong signal that the city is willing to pay for a project and this works favorably for the community.

Nadine Lefebvre spoke in favor of putting this issue on the ballot, to bring the discussion forward and work on this issue. This tax is not as egregious as the AEL&P rate increase and the CBJ utility rate increase at the same time. This project is essential to sustained growth, for education, health, safety and development.

Jon Tillinghast said he is opposed to putting this project on the ballot, which sounds undemocratic. The Alaska Constitution prohibits the use of the initiative or referendum to allocate revenues, so that the Trustees of the treasury – the Assembly - make the hard budgetary decisions. In exercising his due diligence, he has decided this is not a responsible use of the already limited treasury. DOTPF and the Federal Highway Administration estimate that Alaska will be allocated $480 million in Federal Highway Trust Funds in FY2011, not counting earmarks. Contrary to what you hear in the newspaper, Federal Highway money is not going away. The proponents of this project want to avoid Section 4F of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966. The project will connect two federally funded highways, and as the DOT coordinator who worked on this project warned, this probably makes this causeway a federal highway project and therefore subject to Section 4F. Therefore, the reason for avoiding federal funding and not doing this project correctly disappears. Why use sales tax, the most aggressive tax in your arsenal? He said that a Juneau family making $70,000 a year will pay $2000 between 2013 and 2023 to pay for this project. He spoke about the lost opportunities to fund projects customarily funded by the 1% sales tax, including the JPD facility, the ice rink, and the chair lift at Eaglecrest. As a natural resource law attorney for private industry for the past several years, he said it would stun him if this project is permitted. He is concerned about the loss of time and money spent on this and about sloppy ballot language leading to potential lawsuits.

Mr. Anderson asked if he would support using sales tax funds to do an EIS for the crossing Mr. Tillinghast said yes, it would give the community answers before it “jumps off the cliff.” He said he is a strong supporter of a second crossing.

Pat Harris, said she is opposed to this ordinance and the issue being placed on the ballot. She does not want to tie up the 1% sales tax for ten years when there are many unknown needs.
Permitting will be quite difficult. She is concerned about the causeway, which cuts off the water flow in the area.

**Ernie Mueller** said he was involved with the 1984 crossing study. Many public hearings were held and at that time, the recommendation was to pursue an EIS and preliminary engineering. There are several proposed locations for the corridor – all have positive and negative aspects and much more work must be done to choose the route. He is concerned about earmarking tax for a long period of time, and concerned about the project cost and the unknowns. The Sunny Point overpass was estimated to be a $17 million project and ended up at a $42 million project. The Gustavus Dock was estimated to be a $7-9 million project and is now a $21 million project. Both are great projects, but projects will always cost more than estimated. The only way to afford this is to cost share between parties. He recommended rather than tying up the funds, to allocate some existing money, $5 – 10 million, jointly with DOT, to do all the studies recommended in 1984. This will help to develop a realistic cost estimate. He supported committing the municipality to work with DOTPF on a joint project.

Ms. Danner asked why the project did not proceed in 1984. Mr. Mueller said the bottom went out of the economy and funds were not available to do the work.

**Chris Nelson** said he supports the second Douglas crossing, which can be built with the extension of the 1% tax, as it will create hundreds of jobs. It is a need for public safety. The project will be built eventually, so why not now with 2010 dollars.

**Mike Stanley** spoke on behalf of the North Douglas Neighborhood Association Second Crossing Committee. He said that contrary to what he has heard, the NDNA has not taken a position of support or opposition, and had not had the opportunity to meet to review and discuss the proposal. They have attempted to organize a forum with the SAFE Committee but this has not happened to date. He encouraged the Assembly to commit to working with the North Douglas neighbors as there will be many impacts to the neighborhood, as detailed in the Sheinberg report. There needs to be a commitment to work with the neighborhood to mitigate the impacts if the crossing is built.

**Assembly Action:**

*MOTION, by Sanford, to adopt Ordinance 2010-27.*

Mr. Sanford said it is up to the citizens to decide how to spend sales tax dollars. Ten years is a long time. Somewhere along the line, we need to know if this is the number one priority for the citizens and for them to let us know one way or the other. If not, we can drop the discussion and move on to another priority.

Mr. Bush supports the ordinance but has questions. The tidal flow and environmental issues will be addressed in the permitting process. He asked Mr. Hartle, if it is determined that a route other than the one in the ordinance is the preferred alternative, would the wording of the ordinance prohibit establishing an alternative route?

Mr. Hartle said no. This ordinance extends the tax and expresses the intent of the use of the money. The intent is not binding on future assemblies. The Assembly has carefully followed the voter’s intent in the past, but if the funds were not spent on the project, it would not invalidate the tax.
Mr. Bush asked if it could be assumed then that if no viable alternative was available or the project was too expensive, then the Assembly could determine an alternate use for the funds. Mr. Hartle said yes.

Mr. Anderson spoke in favor of the ordinance saying that it is important for the public to vote. It is very important to educate the public on this to make sure they understand exactly what they are voting on.

Mr. Doll asked if this is fodder for lawsuits, as Mr. Tillinghast suggested. Mr. Hartle said there can always be lawsuits, but he did not think a lawsuit would invalidate the extension of the tax. This is what the voters are being asked - to extend the tax for ten years, or not. He did not think the expression of the Assembly’s intent would serve as a basis for invalidating the extension of the tax.

Mr. Doll said he supports the second crossing and the portrayal of this issue as being in favor or not is not accurate. The issue before the Assembly is how it is to be funded. If this was the only way to fund it, or the only way to fund it were through federal or state resources, he might feel differently. That is not the case. The Assembly has demonstrated an alternative way, in the way it tucked away $2 million a year for the cruise ship docks. There is nothing to prohibit the city from doing the same with this project. He was concerned about the opportunity costs of this tax extension. He listed the projects supported in the past through the 1% tax, including the police station, school repair and rehabilitation, improvements at Bartlett Regional Hospital, construction of an ice rink, the mid-mountain chair lift at Eaglecrest, Stutter Harbor Expansion, parking and boat launch ramp, the downtown parking garage, areawide sewer infrastructure expansion, the consolidated public works shop, airport renovations and deferred maintenance. When those issues arise in the future, if $6 million each year is taken for this and we cannot address needs, what will happen? There is a lot of reference to this as our highest priority, but priorities change. His highest priority is eliminating the garbage dump in the valley. This represents things we and our successors cannot do and will forgo in the future. This is too high a price to pay for a project, which does not have a long list of businesses standing in line to take advantage of it – except for one. This is locking in a device to remove any future consideration of alternative projects – once we head down a path it will be hard to reverse. If we faced this decision every biennial budget with all the other projects lined up, we would know what we were facing.

Roll call
   Aye: Anderson, Bush, Danner, Dybdahl, Sanford, Stone, Wanamaker
   Nay: Doll, Botelho

Motion passed, 7 ayes, 2 nays.

Hearing no objection, the Assembly took a ten-minute recess.

D. Ordinance 2010-28
   An Ordinance Increasing The Rates For Water And Wastewater Utility Services.


   Public Comment:
*Wilma Kirkpatrick* said the fee for water and sewer services is $83.07 and she lives alone. A family of five uses more water than her and pays the same rate. Water should be metered like electricity, and customers should pay for what is used. She had a water meter installed in her home. Metering would work and would be fair.

**Assembly Action:**

*MOTION*, by Anderson, to adopt Ordinance 2010-28.

Mr. Anderson said he spoke with Mr. Buck about metering. A CBJ study is planned to evaluate CBJ functions and what it will cost to do metering. It will cost some amount per family to install meters. He supports metering, but needs more information on the costs of the program.

Mr. Sanford said that the ordinance states that along with the rate increase, part of the planned study will be to review the operations of the two divisions for efficiencies and to know if outsourcing of work will be helpful or not. CBJ is working to keep the rate down.

Mr. Wanamaker said he did not support the ordinance. The increase is not warranted. We do not have enough information to understand if we are overcharging or undercharging. We have not gained the knowledge we need to justify the rate increase since the last time we increased rates.

Roll call:

* Aye: Anderson, Bush, Danner, Doll, Dybdahl, Sanford, Stone, Botelho
* Nay: Wanamaker

Motion passed, 8 ayes, 1 nay.

E. Ordinance 2009-08(AQ)

An Ordinance Appropriating To The Manager The Sum Of $1,654,200 As Partial Funding For Bartlett Regional Hospital Fiscal Year 2010 Operating Budget, Funding Provided By Bartlett Regional Hospital FY10 User Fees.

**Administrative Report:** Attached. The manager recommended adoption of Ordinance 2009-08(AQ).

**Public Comment:** None.

*MOTION*, by Stone, to adopt Ordinance 2009-08(AQ).

Mr. Doll said that the Assembly is scheduled to meet with the Bartlett Regional Hospital Board on Monday, August 30, and hopes the discussion will justify the action tonight.

Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

F. Ordinance 2010-11(C)

An Ordinance Appropriating To The Manager The Sum Of $10,000 As Funding To Purchase Hazardous Material Response Equipment, Grant Funding Provided By The Alaska Department Of Environmental Conservation.

Public Comment: None.

Assembly Action:

MOTION, by Danner, to adopt Ordinance 2010-11(C). Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

G. Ordinance 2010-11(O)
An Ordinance Appropriating To The Manager The Sum Of $500,000 As Additional Funding For An Environmental Assessment Of Statter Harbor Loading Facility Capital Improvement Project, Funding Provided By The State Of Alaska Department Of Fish And Game.


Public Comment: None.

Assembly Action:

MOTION, by Anderson, to adopt Ordinance 2010-11(O). Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Docks and Harbors
Art Selection Panel for Port Customs and Visitors Center Project

Administrative Report:  Attached. The manager made no recommendation.

Public Comment: None.

Assembly Action:

MOTION, by Anderson, to approve the recommendation of the Docks and Harbors Board that the Assembly approve a 1% for Art Panel for the Port Customs and Visitors Center Project to be comprised of two members appointed by the Juneau Arts and Humanities Council, two members of the Docks and Harbors Board, one member representing the Juneau Convention and Visitors Bureau, and one member representing the U.S. Customs and Border Patrol. Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

X. STAFF REPORTS

XI. ASSEMBLY REPORTS

A. Mayor’s Report
B. Committee Reports

**Human Resources Committee:** Chair Doll reported that the HRC met earlier in the day and made the following recommendations for board appointments, which, without objection, we approved by the Assembly:

**Aquatic Facilities Advisory Board:**
- David Rogers  General Public Seat  Term Exp. 6/28/2013
- Robert Storer  General Public Seat  Term Exp. 6/28/2013
- Rosemary Hagevig  General Public Seat  Term Exp. 6/28/2012
- Catherine Pusich  General Public Seat  Term Exp. 6/28/2012
- Tom Rutecki  General Public Seat  Term Exp. 6/28/2011

**Utility Advisory Board:**
- Matthew Van Steenwyk  Open Seat  Term Exp. 5/31/2013

**Youth Activities Board:**
- Mariana Moreno-Goodwin  Public Seat, reappointment  Term Exp. 8/31/2013
- Tom Rutecki  Public Seat, reappointment  Term Exp. 8/31/2013

Mr. Doll said the HRC recommended discharging the Dimond Park Pool Task Force from service and expressed the Assembly’s gratitude for the service to the community. Hearing no objection, the task force was discharged.

Mr. Doll said that the HRC had a brief discussion of proposed changes to the panhandling ordinance and said the issue will be on a future agenda when the proponents are able to attend.

**Finance Committee:** Chair Stone said the next meeting is Wed., Sept. 22, 5:30 p.m. in the Chambers.

**Lands and Resources:** Chair Anderson said the next meeting is Mon., Aug. 30, 4:30 p.m. in the Chambers.

C. Liaison Reports

**Hospital Board:** Liaison Stone said the Assembly will meet with BRH Board members on Mon., Aug. 30, at 5:30 p.m. in the Chambers.

**Planning Commission:** Liaison Doll said the Planning Commission will meet Tues., Aug. 24, 7:00 p.m. in the Chambers.

**Commission on Sustainability:** Liaison Doll said the JCOS will meet on Wed., Sept. 1, 5:15 p.m.

XII. ASSEMBLY COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Ms. Danner said she attended the “I am Juneau” cultural dance presentation event hosted by the Juneau Human Rights Commission on Sunday, August 22. It was a wonderful event and
they hope to make it an annual event. She was encouraged at their efforts to highlight Juneau’s diversity.

Ms. Danner encouraged Assemblymembers and the public to assist with “Challenge Day” on August 30, 31, and September 1, at TMHS. One adult for every four students is needed to volunteer and they are working with the entire student body. She will volunteer on Wednesday.

Mr. Anderson said he also attended the JHRC dance program. It was great, and was part of the program funded by the Assembly.

Mr. Anderson said the West Douglas road extension project is moving forward, and roadwork may start next year. As land becomes accessible, planning for the area will need to happen. Staff should be prepared on how the planning process should move forward.

Mr. Doll said he has attended the meetings of the Native Youth Suicide Reduction Advisory Committee. There are a lot of challenges, and one is a lack of childcare at YaKoos Alternative High School. He has raised the subject with the School District and understands that the school should not have to deal with every social issue in society, but this School District is well-funded, and should assist young women to remain in school. He thinks Catholic Community Services may lend a hand in this situation.

Mayor Botelho noted a Special Assembly Meeting to discuss the Arctic Winter Games Bid Proposal to be held on Friday, September 17, at 4 p.m. in the Chambers.

XIII. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS – None.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION, by Bush, to enter into executive session to complete the City Attorney’s performance evaluation. Hearing no objection, the Assembly entered into executive session at 8:52 p.m. and returned to regular session at 9:00 p.m.

Mayor Botelho said that the Assembly finished its review of the Mr. Hartle’s performance, is pleased with his work, and a written evaluation will be provided to him, which will include the compensation based upon the discussion.

XV. ADJOURNMENT – 9:01 p.m.

Signed: ___________________________  Signed: _______________________________
Laurie Sica, Municipal Clerk  Bruce Botelho, Mayor