THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Meeting Minutes – March 5, 2012

MEETING NO. 2012-05: 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: Mary Becker, Bruce Botelho, Karen Crane, Ruth Danner, Johan Dybdahl, Jesse Kiehl, Carlton Smith, David Stone, and Randy Wanamaker.

Assembly Absent: None.

Staff Present: Rod Swope, City Manager; John Hartle, City Attorney; Kim Kiefer, Deputy City Manager; Laurie Sica, Municipal Clerk; Beth McEwen, Deputy City Clerk; Craig Duncan, Finance Director; Rorie Watt, Engineering Director; Carl Uchytil, Port Director; Kris Sell, Lieutenant – Special Operations; Bob Dilley, JPD Lead CSO; Jennifer Adams, JPD CPV Administrator; Matt Lillard, Eaglecrest Ski Area Manager; Cynthia Johnson, Deputy Land Manager; John Vowell, Interim BRH Administrator.

II. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Employee Recognition – Rod Swope

On behalf of the Assembly, Mayor Botelho offered heartfelt thanks for Mr. Swope’s service as city manager for nine years, acknowledging that this was his last regular Assembly meeting and wanting to recognize him publicly for his services. Mr. Swope was presented with a certificate and a key to the city. Mr. Swope thanked the Assembly for being “low-key” and said he wanted to go out quietly.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. January 28, 2012 – Special Assembly Meeting

Hearing no objection, the minutes of the January 28, 2012 Special Assembly Meeting were approved.

B. February 13, 2012 – Regular Assembly Meeting 2012-03

Hearing no objection, the minutes of the February 13, 2012, Regular Assembly Meeting 2012-03 were approved.

C. February 27, 2012 – Special Assembly Meeting 2012-04

Hearing no objection, the minutes of the February 27, 2012, Special Assembly Meeting 2012-04 were approved.
IV. MANAGER’S REQUEST FOR AGENDA CHANGES

Mr. Swope noted no changes but an error in the transfer document, T-934, that the total amount of the transfer was $1,110,000, not $3,275,000.

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

Mr. Kiehl requested that Resolution 2604 be removed from the consent agenda.

C. Assembly Action

MOTION, by Stone, to adopt the consent agenda, with the removal of Resolution 2604. Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

1. Ordinances for Introduction

a. Ordinance 2012-11
An Ordinance Amending The Land Use Code Relating To Appeals Of Rezoning Decisions.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2012-11 be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

b. Ordinance 2012-12
An Ordinance Providing For The Issuance And Sale Of A General Obligation School Bond In The Aggregate Principal Amount Of Not To Exceed $21,290,000; And Providing The Form And Terms Of The Bond And For Unlimited Tax Levies To Pay The Bond.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2012-12 be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

c. Ordinance 2012-13
An Ordinance Amending the Land Management Code.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2012-13 be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

d. Ordinance 2012-14
An Ordinance Amending The Comprehensive Plan By Adopting Chapter 5 Of The Willoughby District Land Use Plan.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2012-14 be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.
e. Ordinance 2012-15  
An Ordinance To Designate A Tax Foreclosed Property Located At 5871 Churchill Way For A Public Purpose For The Benefit Of The Juneau-Douglas High School Home Building Program.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2012-15 be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

f. Ordinance 2012-16  

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2012-16 be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

g. Ordinance 2012-17  
An Ordinance Amending The Building Code Relating To Application For A Permit.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2012-17 be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

h. Ordinance 2011-11(AE)  
An Ordinance Appropriating To The Manager The Sum Of $4,610 As Grant Funding To The Juneau Police Department For Officer Training On 3D Crash Reconstruction Software, Grant Funding Provided By The Alaska Highway Safety Office.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2011-11(AE) be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

i. Ordinance 2011-11(AF)  
An Ordinance Appropriating To The Manager The Sum Of $136,870.47 As Grant Funding To Capital Transit For Mobility Management, Grant Funding Provided By The Alaska Department Of Transportation And Public Facilities.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2011-11(AF) be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

2. Resolutions

a. Resolution 2597  
A Resolution Approving Amendments To The Bylaws Of The Board Of Directors Of Bartlett Regional Hospital.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended adoption of Resolution 2597.

3. Transfers

a. Transfer T-934
Transferring $1,100,000 From Closing And Ongoing Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs) To Provide Additional Funding For Main Street – Second Street To Seventh Street Reconstruction.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended adoption of Transfer T-934.

4. Liquor Licenses

A. Liquor License Renewals

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended the Assembly waive its right to protest the following liquor license renewal actions:

1. Beverage Dispensary License #4842: Up The Creek Inc. d/b/a Twisted Fish Company
   location: 550 S. Franklin Street.

2. Beverage Dispensary - Duplicate License #4788: Tailwind Inc. d/b/a Hangar on the Wharf/Pizzeria Roma
   location:#2 Marine Way, Suite #104 (Merchant’s Wharf)

Removed from Consent Agenda:

Resolution 2604
A Resolution Authorizing The Manager To Enter Into An Amendment To The City And Borough PERS Participation Agreement To Exclude PERS Coverage For The Positions Of Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, And General Surgeon At Bartlett Regional Hospital.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended adoption of Resolution 2604.

Public Comment: None.

Assembly Action:

MOTION, by Stone, to adopt Resolution 2604.

Mr. Kiehl asked for more explanation from the BRH staff present.

Linda Thomas, Vice President, BRH Board said the intention in the resolution is to have the CEO and CFO excluded from PERS participation. The CEO position is not a newly created position. The two positions are contracted positions and have not participated in PERS for many years.

Mr. Kiehl asked what other employees were not in PERS at BRH.

Katherine Callahan, Director of Physician Services, BRH, said the only currently employed positions they are requesting an exclusion from PERS are the CEO, CFO, and General Surgeons. All other employees are part of the PERS system. Ms. Callahan said many of the doctors have privileges from privately owned practices and are not BRH employees. BRH has seven physicians employed and there are five psychiatrists that participate in the PERS program, and two general surgeons.
Mr. Kiehl asked if there was a qualitative reason about the nature of the work that would lead us to treat those employees differently.

John Vowell, Interim CEO for BRH, said as administration of hospitals has developed, the positions have gone to the CEO/CFO concept. Most are generally under contract and provisions under a contract. They are generally not hospital employees with the same guarantees, but serve under a negotiated contract. Benefits could be taken away if a contract is renegotiated, and most of the individuals qualified to do this work will carry their own benefit packages with them. Under a contract, BRH would support their individual plans (health, insurance, retirement, for example).

Ms. Danner asked if the General Surgeons were under contract. Mr. Vowell said yes.

Mayor Botelho said the CEO and CFO report to only one body - the Board of Directors of BRH – with an exclusive contractual relationship.

Ms. Danner said her concern was that the PERS program depended on a pool of employees. She asked if the positions’ tenure was too short lived for the program. Mr. Vowell said 3-5 years was a typical tenure. With independently negotiated retirement packages, those positions were not leaving retirement benefits on the table when they moved to other positions.

Mr. Kiehl said PERS Tier IV structure is that the employee is immediately vested in employee contributions into the individual retirement account and beginning at year two, there is a proportional vestiture in the employer dollars contributed to the IRA, and at 5 years, the employee is 100% invested in employers dollars. There is hypothetically a future retirement premium share benefit, although the plan is revocable at any time, not guaranteed and has yet to be defined. The Tier IV structure was designed with an eye to portability.

Mr. Stone said the purpose behind this was to make the hospital competitive and to attract good people. Bob Valliant was a rare exception in being a long-term administrator at BRH. We need to give the Board the flexibility to attract the best candidates.

Mr. Kiehl asked if there was a retirement package in mind in lieu of the PERS system. Mayor Botelho said that was a subject of negotiation and might not be public. Ms. Thomas said that was true and this resolution gave the board the ability to negotiate and opened a larger pool of candidates for recruitment.

Mr. Wanamaker asked if the CFO will report to the Board or to the CEO. Ms. Thomas said that had not been determined yet, but historically, the CFO reported to the CEO.

Mr. Smith asked if the issue was providing flexibility for incentive compensation. Ms. Thomas said yes.

Mr. Kiehl said CBJ and BRH derive great benefit from being in the PERS system, and it is worthwhile to consider the pool nature of the system. It is funded significantly by employer contributions as a percentage of the employee’s wages. That percentage is fairly high at the moment, has to do with legacy problems of the system, and is a cost share program. Both sides of the cost share derive significant benefit. It would do the city well as a political subdivision of the state to tread carefully before exempting employees from contributions to that pool.
system. There is also a tremendous argument to exempt the General Surgeons from the PERS system, as they are qualitatively different from most of the other hospital employees. There is benefit to endorse that change. He had great concern about exempting the executives from the PERS system, especially as it is geared to portability, and he was not comfortable in treating the two employees at the top differently from the rest of the employees. He suggested amending the resolution.

Ms. Danner asked if PERS were part of the CEO/CFO package, would there be anything prohibiting the Board from negotiating other contract items. Ms. Thomas said no, other than costs, which are an issue. PERS, including the unfunded liability, is approximately 22% of compensation, and a solid contract could be negotiated with a CEO/CFO if they had access to all those funds. The Board is trying to be cost conscious and competitive.

Hearing no objection, Mayor Botelho divided the question:

**Shall the CEO/CFO be excluded from PERS coverage?**

Roll Call:

Aye: Becker, Crane, Dybdahl, Smith, Stone, Wanamaker, Botelho
Nay: Danner, Kiehl
Motion passed, 7 ayes, 2 nays.

**Shall the General Surgeon be excluded from PERS coverage?**

Hearing no objection, the General Surgeon position would be excluded from PERS coverage.

Mayor Botelho declared Resolution 2604 adopted.

**VII. PUBLIC HEARING**

A. Ordinance 2012-04

*An Ordinance Authorizing The Manager To Execute A Lease Of A Fraction Of Lot 1, U.S. Survey 3853, Located At The West Juneau Reservoir Site On Douglas Island, To ACS Wireless, Inc., For The Operation, Maintenance, And Leasing Of An Existing Communications Tower/Facility.*


Public Comment: None.

Assembly Action:

*MOTION, by Becker, to adopt Ordinance 2012-04.* Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

B. Ordinance 2012-08(b)

*An Ordinance Creating Local Improvement District No. 93 To Construct A Sanitary Sewer System To Serve Four Parcels Located Within The 2600 Block Near Roger Street On Douglas Highway.*
Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2012-08(b) be adopted.

Public Comment: None.

Assembly Action:

MOTION, by Wanamaker, to adopt Ordinance 2012-08(b). Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

C. Ordinance 2012-09
An Ordinance Authorizing The Manager To Lease Approximately .22 Acres Of Municipal Property At Twin Lakes To The Alaska Department Of Fish And Game For The Purpose Of Using And Maintaining An Existing Structure For A Fish Pathology Laboratory.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2012-09 be adopted.

Public Comment: None.

Assembly Action:

MOTION, by Becker, to adopt Ordinance 2012-09. Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

D. Ordinance 2012-10
An Ordinance Providing For The Issuance And Sale Of General Obligation Refunding Bonds In The Aggregate Principal Amount Of Not To Exceed $19,000,000; And Providing The Form And Terms Of The Bonds And For Unlimited Tax Levies To Pay The Bonds.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2012-10 be adopted.

Public Comment: None.

Assembly Action:

MOTION, by Crane, to adopt Ordinance 2012-10.

Mr. Kiehl asked for an explanation of how much would be called and how much would be paid off on the existing schedule. Mr. Duncan said the call provisions of Bonds 2000a and 2003 bonds have a standard window of ten years. The market rates for refunding are as good as they have ever been. The question is, if refunding, should the money be borrowed now or should it wait to when the ten-year call window starts, which begins after the tenth payment is made, which is October 1, 2013. This is about 16 months into the future. By the time the bonds are closed it would be 14 – 15 months. We are considering splitting the bonds into two pieces – the piece that would not be called, and the piece to be called and defeased. The results of that are what the mechanics are run on. If the refunding is done in today’s market, even though it is going to cost a little bit of money to defease, which means to put money aside to pay it off 14 – 15 months in the future – a significant amount of money would be saved.
Mr. Kiehl said when talking about the amount to defease, it is not the principle amounts of those bonds, but the interest payments. Mr. Duncan said the principal balance would not be called for 2012 and the principal balance of 2013 – they are “non-callable,” nor would the interest that is due on those two years of bonds be called. The other bonds and interest associated with those bonds would be called.

Mr. Kiehl asked the nominal value of the portion to be defeased. Mr. Duncan said it was approximately $17.5 million. Mr. Kiehl said the financial documents he saw assume that the sale would take place in mid-May, and he asked when would the first payments be due on the bonds if they were sold in May. Mr. Duncan said there would be some refunding amount due in October 2012, but the amounts to be paid would be approximately equivalent to the amount of interest we would not be paying on the defeased bonds. Mr. Kiehl asked if, over the initial period, CBJ would see $160,000 of negative arbitrage and Mr. Duncan said yes. Mr. Kiehl asked if in October 2013, the call provisions are exercised, with the funds set aside, the financial advisors estimate of the new bonds was 2%, and the savings would be shown immediately upon calling the old bonds. Mr. Duncan said that was correct. The difference would be the defeasing for the 4% average, paying 2%, but then for the first 14 months there would be some losses of $160,000. Once the bonds were called, the losses would be made up.

Ms. Danner asked if there was a potential for refunding but not finding new buyers. Mr. Duncan said that the new bonds would be issued, the money would be set aside, and then the old bonds would be called in the future – so essentially the money would be in the bank before the obligation was made.

Hearing no objection so ordered, Ordinance 2012-10 was adopted.

E. Ordinance 2011-11(AB)

An Ordinance Appropriating To The Manager $600,000 As Partial Funding For The Aurora Harbor Replacement Capital Improvement Project. Funding Provided From Harbors Enterprise Fund.


Public Comment: None.

Assembly Action:

MOTION, by Wanamaker, to adopt Ordinance 2011-11(AB). Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

F. Ordinance 2011-11(AC)

An Ordinance Appropriating To The Manager The Sum Of $225,142.51 As Grant Funding For The State Homeland Security Program; Grant Funding Provided By The State Of Alaska Department Of Military And Veterans Affairs.


Public Comment: None.
Assembly Action:

**MOTION**, by Danner, to adopt Ordinance 2011-11(AC). Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

G. Ordinance 2011-11(AD)
An Ordinance Appropriating To The Manager The Sum Of $36,680 As Funding For The Construction Of Trailhead Information Kiosks; Grant Funding Provided By The Alaska Department Of Natural Resources.

**Administrative Report**: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2011-11(AD) be adopted.

**Public Comment**: None.

Assembly Action:

**MOTION**, by Crane, to adopt Ordinance 2011-11(AD). Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Ordinance 2012-03(c)
An Ordinance Amending The Commercial Passenger Vehicle Code, And Providing For A Penalty.

**Administrative Report**: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2012-03(c) be adopted.

**Public Comment**: None.

Assembly Action:

**MOTION**, by Stone, to adopt Ordinance 2012-03(c). Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

B. Regulations - Amending Commercial Passenger Vehicle Regulations.

**Administrative Report**: Attached. The manager recommended the regulations be adopted.

**Public Comment**:

Jeff Wright, owner of Juneau Limousine Services, said his concern was allowing the taxicabs to increase the limit to 11 passengers. He would like this to be kept at eight passengers. There are not many vehicles that will carry ten passengers plus the driver. The only option would be to use a 14-passenger van or a stretch limousine. It does not seem economically viable for a taxi cab to run a 14-passenger van with the back seat removed, as they are obligated to take however many passengers that are waiting, even if it were one, so it would be a waste of resources. The taxicabs currently in use have large enough trunks to carry a wheelchair.
Assembly Action:

Mayor Botelho said the Assembly can accept or reject the regulations and he asked the Assembly if this regulation should be approved.

Ms. Crane said she disagreed with the definitions of “shuttle” in the regulations and what they may or may not do and the future of shuttle service in CBJ was restricted, so she could not support the regulations.

Mr. Smith asked if JPD could respond to the change from 8 passengers to 11 passengers for taxicabs. Jennifer Adams, CPV Administrator said she had done research but could not find the origin of the limit of 8 passengers in taxis. The request for 11 passengers came from the taxicab industry. Following research, JPD concluded that as long as the vehicle was designed to carry and provided required safety devices for each passenger, they could not find a reason to deny the request.

Mr. Wanamaker said he shared Ms. Crane’s concerns about future shuttle opportunities. He did not understand the need for fee increases. Ms. Adams said that the taxi industry felt their rates needed to be increased due to their costs of doing business and they wanted to recoup some of the costs. They felt under-priced for tours. She explained the soilage fee and the destination fees.

Roll call vote to accept the regulations:
Aye: Becker, Danner, Dybdahl, Kiehl, Smith, Stone, Botelho
Nay: Crane, Wanamaker
Motion passed: 7 ayes, 2 nays.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Regulations - Docks and Harbors - Boom Truck Usage Fees.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended the regulations be adopted.

Public Comment: None.

Assembly Action:

MOTION, by Dybdahl, to request orders of the day. Hearing no objection, the regulations were allowed to become effective.

X. STAFF REPORTS – None.

XI. ASSEMBLY REPORTS

A. Committee Reports

Committee of the Whole: Chair Stone said the COW met February 27 and heard reports regarding the Avalanche Study and the AJ Mine Water study, reviewed the CBJ website and discussed the CPV ordinance and regulations.
Human Resources Committee: Chair Danner said the HRC met prior to the Assembly meeting and recommended the following appointments to CBJ Boards and Commissions, which were approved without objection by the Assembly:

Board of Equalization
Appointment of Michael Boyer and Bruce Weyhrauch for terms expiring December 31, 2014. (Chair Danner noted the deadline for applications for this Board was extended to March 28 and there are four vacancies.)

Fisheries Development Committee

Juneau Commission on Aging
Appointment of MaryAnn VandeCastle to a seat reserved for a member 55 yrs.+ , with a term expiring June 30, 2013.

Local Emergency Planning Committee
Nominations to the State of Dave Campbell to seat 2a: Alternate Police Officer for a term expiring December 31, 2014; Alison Brehmer to seat 4: General Public and Destiny Sargent to seat 4a, for terms expiring December 31, 2014; and Bill Legere to seat 6: Media for a term expiring December 31, 2012.

Youth Activities Board
Appointment of Sean Boily to a seat for a member of the Juneau Arts and Humanities Council, for a term expiring at the end of his service on the JAHC.

Lands and Resources Committee: Chair Becker noted that the next meeting was changed from Monday, March 12th to Thursday, March 15th.

Finance Committee: Chair Crane said the next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, March 6 at 5:30 p.m. and the packets had been distributed to members.

Public Works and Facilities Committee: Chair Wanamaker said the next meeting was scheduled for Monday, March 12 at Noon.

B. Liaison Reports

School Board: Liaison Wanamaker said the next meeting was set for Tuesday, March 6.

Juneau Convention and Visitors Bureau: Liaison Smith said the JCVB recently held a retreat, well attended by its board, and the group is very interested to be involved in a meaningful way with issue of homelessness and inebriates.

Affordable Housing Commission: Liaison Kiehl said the AHC met Saturday, March 3 and received an extensive report from city staff on a number of parcels of CBJ land available for potential development. The Commission has decided to move forward with a proposal near DZ middle school on a relatively small parcel, then with a parcel of land off Mountain Avenue in Lemon Creek, which could be developed in phases. The AHC has some CIP funds and hopes to request additional funds to move forward with those promising prospects.
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Liaison Kiehl said the next meeting is set for Tuesday, March 6.

Eaglecrest Board: Liaison Crane said the Board is working on its Long Range Plan and a new draft would be out in a few days, posted to the Board’s website. There would be a public meeting on the plan on March 28.

Commission on Sustainability: Liaison Becker said the JCOS is implementing the climate plan and the next meeting is set for Wednesday, March 7.

Docks and Harbors Board: Liaison Becker said the Board recognized Greg Craig for 20 years of service, Bill Hodge for 10 years of service, and Tom Boddy for 5 years of service. Doug Lehrman was recognized for his work to assist a boat owner with a flooding episode. The Board approved the FY13-14 budget and a funding strategy for repairs at the Auke Bay boat yard haul out.

AK Committee: Liaison Becker said the next meeting was set for Wednesday, March 14.

Airport Board: Liaison Danner said the next meeting was set for Wednesday, March 14.

Local Emergency Planning Committee: Liaison Danner said the next meeting was set for Wednesday, March 14.

Bartlett Regional Hospital: Liaison Stone said the next regular Board meeting was set for March 27 and the Assembly had acted on the Board’s requests in this agenda.

Juneau Campus Council: Mayor Botelho said the Council met today and was briefed on a multi-month planning effort being undertaken by the University in conjunction with its Strategic Plan, regarding its facility plan and overall campus plan for the next ten-year period.

Juneau Economic Development Council: Mayor Botelho said the next meeting was set for Tuesday, March 6 to meet with the local legislative delegation.

XII. ASSEMBLY COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Mr. Smith noted Rod Swope’s remarkable term of service and list of accomplishments, and thanked Mr. Swope for his service to CBJ.

Mr. Kiehl agreed with Mr. Smith and there were several Boards and Commissions, upon which Mr. Swope could consider service.

Mr. Kiehl said the issue of cell phone towers is on the Assembly’s horizon and there was no resolution on the issue of co-location. The industry is moving to co-locating as many devices on towers as they can. When the city leases towers it is in our interest to allow co-location – the public good was maximized. This should be considered for future leases.

Mr. Kiehl said he attended the AWARE Women of Distinction dinner, which was a remarkable event.
Mr. Dybdahl said he had the privilege of being in the delegation in Anchorage that received the induction of the Gold Medal Tournament as an event into the Alaska Sports Hall of Fame, along with Senator Albert Kookesh and Herb Didrikson from Sitka. It was noted that between the three of them there was over 140 years of Gold Medal service, which was a little disconcerting.

Mr. Dybdahl said he looked forward to being neighbors with Mr. Swope this summer, despite the lack of a half-mile road that the City of Tenekee did not want to see built.

Ms. Crane expressed her gratitude to Mr. Swope for his service and it had been a pleasure working with him.

Ms. Becker said she and Mr. Smith were now experts at speaking with young children in order to prepare them for literacy as they attended the AEYC sponsored presentation of “Babies on Track.”

Ms. Becker thanked Mr. Swope for his work and said the Assembly will miss him even though he is leaving CBJ in good hands. She wished him a wonderful retirement.

Ms. Danner said the HRC heard information from the International Longshore Workers Union (ILWU), which is concerned about cruise ships tying up lightering boats with their own staff on CBJ docks. There is a concern about safety and CBJ liability on the city-owned docks and the HRC requested that the CBJ risk management team look into this and provide a report back to the Committee of the Whole.

Ms. Danner spoke about Lane Nashoanak, a student at Yakoos, who had a terrible accident while delivering pizza and that he had returned to Juneau, but now was having a setback, and she said the Assembly’s thoughts and prayers were with him for a speedy recovery.

Mr. Stone said he attended a dedication at UAS for a new heavy equipment simulator, which is a first in the country. More than $1 million was invested in this project, which will train mining employees and high school students.

Mr. Stone said he was proud to have served with Mr. Swope, who had led the Assembly through some difficult times and had been a strong leader. All the Assembly wished Mr. Swope the best and thanked him for his service to the city and state.

Mr. Hartle said it was an honor to sit next to Mr. Swope at the Assembly meetings.

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

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION – None.

XV. ADJOURNMENT:

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