

# **Petersburg Borough**

12 South Nordic Drive Petersburg AK, 99833

# Meeting Minutes Borough Assembly

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

10:00 AM

**Assembly Chambers** 

#### **Special Meeting re Public Health Mandates**

#### 1. Call To Order/Roll Call

Mayor Jensen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

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 6 - Mayor Mark Jensen, Assembly Member David Kensinger, Assembly Member Bob Lynn, Assembly Member Jeffrey Meucci, Assembly Member Jeigh Stanton Gregor and Assembly Member Chelsea

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Excused: 1 - Assembly Member Taylor Norheim

# 2. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved as amended, adding 6 B. - Communication.

### 3. Persons to be Heard Related to Agenda

Chris Medalen, Michael Truex, Kristina Spann, Courtney Truex, Caitlin Robertson, Tausha Sperl, Dana Thynes, Sarah Reid, Brittni Caulum, Kelsa Spearl, Mika Hasbrouck and Bridgette Davidson spoke against masking mandates.

Will Ware asked for a postponement on a decision regarding the Visitor Industry, vessel docking and disembarkment mandate.

Sunny Rice, Dawn Ingle and Maura Phillips spoke in support of masking mandates.

# 4. Report of Other Officers

#### **A.** Emergency Operation Center Report

EOC IC Hagerman updated the Assembly on the current developing COVID-19 outbreak and discussed the Public Health Mandates that are currently in place and those before the Assembly today.

#### 5. New Business

**A.** Petersburg Borough Public Health Mandate #5: Borough Harbor Facilities - Vessel Docking and Disembarkment

<u>Attachments:</u> Petersburg Borough Public Health Mandate #5

Public Health Mandate #5 was amended to change the wording under "Effective Date and Duration" from "shall remain in effect until 11:59 p.m. on May 31, 2021, unless extended or earlier terminated" to "shall remain in effect until rescinded by the Borough Assembly. This Mandate will be reviewed by the Assembly

at the May 17, 2021 Assembly meeting." Mandate #5 was unanimously approved as amended.

B. Petersburg Borough Public Health Mandate #6: Submission of Travel Plans

<u>Attachments:</u> Petersburg Borough Public Health Mandate #6

Public Health Mandate #6 was unanimously approved.

C. Petersburg Borough Public Health Emergency Directive #7 for Non-Congregate Sheltering

Attachments: Petersburg Borough Public Health Mandate #7

Non-Congregate Sheltering Plan Amendment #1

Public Health Emergency Directive #7 was unanimously approved.

D. Petersburg Borough Public Health Mandate #9: Intrastate Traveler Testing

<u>Attachments:</u> Petersburg Borough Public Health Mandate #9

Public Health Mandate #9 was unanimously approved.

**E.** Petersburg Borough Public Health Mandate #10: Interstate and International Traveler Testing

<u>Attachments:</u> Petersburg Borough Public Health Mandate #10

Public Health Mandate #10 was unanimously approved.

#### 6. Communications

**A.** Correspondence Received Regarding the Public Health Mandates and COVID-19 Prior to Publishing this Agenda on February 19, 2021

Attachments: Chamber of Commerce 2.18.2021

B. Lynch 2.19.2021
J. Floyd 2.19.2021
D. Marsh 2.19.2021

B. Communication

Assembly Member Meucci spoke to the multitude of emails the Assembly has received over the last many months and some of the new emails having a different tone. He quoted one email that stated "You're a poison and therefore need to be removed." He stated the Assembly is doing the best they can with the situation, yet have been called "lunatics" in these emails. Member Meucci requests the public be respectful and he encouraged the public to pay attention to the posted correspondence the Assembly receives. The correspondence is posted to the Borough website and also is placed in the next meeting packet after receipt.

## 7. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.		
Debra K. Thompson		
Date Approved	_	