

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
REAL PROPERTY ASSET MANAGEMENT BOARD
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
LOWER LEVEL CONFERENCE ROOM**

**March 11, 2009
6:00 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Buckle called to order at 6:06 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL – DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

A. Members present and establishing a quorum were:

Bish Buckle, Kenneth Marsh, John Strassenburgh (via teleconference),
Norman Harris, Terry Snyder and Janice Strong (via teleconference)

B. Members Absent: None

C. Members Absent and Excused: Wayne Bouwens

**D. Vacant Positions: Representatives - Forest Products Industry, Parks, Recreation and
Trails Advisory Board, Material Use and Development, and the Timber Industry.**

E. Staff Present: Dave Heier, Elizabeth Weiant,

**F. Guests Present: Steve Noble, Project Manager DOWL HKM, Dan Elliott, MSB Parks,
Recreation and Trails Advisory Board**

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Buckle requested that NEW BUSINESS be moved prior to STAFF REPORTS.
There was no objection.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Buckle led the pledge of allegiance.

V. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING

A. January 14, 2009

Mr. Harris moved, Mr. Marsh 2nd to approve the minutes as presented. Minor
corrections were requested and the minutes were approved as amended.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

**A. RESOLUTION NO. 09-02 A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-
SUSITNA BOROUGH REAL PROPERTY ASSET MANAGEMENT BOARD
RECOMMENDING THE ASSEMBLY APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2010
RECOMMENDED BUDGETS FOR THE LAND MANAGEMENT
ADMINISTRATIVE AND LAND AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
BUDGETS.**

Mr. Marsh moved, Mr. Harris 2nd to approve Resolution No. 09-02. Mr. Heier
stated that there had been changes to the proposed budget before the board.
Explained budget short-falls and changes to the proposed budget before the board.
Stated that within 429-900 the director deleted the Crystal Lake/Willow Trail

(\$25K) as that project should be completed within this fiscal year, and deleted Community Outreach & Education (\$25K). Within 426-900 moved the Trail Surveys (5 Trails; 99 miles) (\$120K) as well as the Trails staff position to the Areawide Community Development Administrative budget.

Mr. Marsh and Mr. Harris approved the friendly amendment to add the WHEREAS clauses to the Resolution in support of the proposed changes. Mr. Strassenburgh questioned the budget item under 428,600 (Road Maintenance). Mr. Heier explained it was to pay for the maintenance costs associated with compliance of the Forest Management Act. There were no objections and the main motion carried.

VII. STAFF REPORTS

A. November meeting date

November meeting date falls on Veteran's Day. Would you like to move it to the week before, the week after, the day before, or the day after?

Board consensus was to cancel the November meeting.

B. Land & Resource Management Updates

1. Bogard Road Update (DOWL)

Mr. Steve Noble, PE spoke briefly on the status of the Bogard Road Extension Project.

- The project is 65% complete with the design plan submittal and it should be wrapped up and out to bid by late this year.
- Right of way acquisition is on-going. Of the 8 total takes, 2 have been finalized, 5 have offers submitted, and 1 is awaiting review of the appraisal.
- The remaining 27 partial "take" properties are waiting on receipt of the parcel plats necessary to order the appraisals.

Mr. Noble then presented the board with an overview of the Corridor Access Management Plan – Phase 1 – Glenn Highway to Trunk Road.

- Corridor Access Management Plan (CAMP) provides access and design recommendations for roadway corridors to optimize safety, efficiency and capacity.
- By using a CAMP in the design, engineers can establish the method to manage access, locate public and private access points with appropriate spacing / separation which will reduce accidents and traffic delays.
- Objectives are to improve safety, preserve function and mobility, protect public financial investment in roadway infrastructure, and manage existing and future access in a regular and consistent manner.
- Principles of Access Management include the ability to leave adequate space between conflict areas, reduce interference with through traffic, maintain roadway speeds, and encourage controlled land development

- The CAMP for Bogard Road will facilitate design of a safer, more efficient roadway with managed access.
 - Engineering studies have shown properly managed access on arterials can result in 30% reduction in traffic congestion and a 40% reduction in accidents.
 - Safe and efficient operation of highway systems calls for effectively managing access to and from adjacent developments.
2. Rail Project update:
Mr. Heier informed the board that the EIS was currently being prepared by the Surface Transportation Board with a route recommendation due by June.
 3. Port Project Bi-modal update:
Mr. Heier stated the Port MacKenzie Bi-Modal project is a plan to build a combined road/rail corridor for the Port District. Design phase is being completed, and negotiations are underway with the University of Alaska to purchase additional right-of-way. Construction is scheduled to begin this summer. Initial construction phase will build a road to allow semi trucks to bring in bulk materials, i.e., coal, sand, gravel, etc.
 4. Gravel mining proposal update (Parks and Vine Road):
Mr. Heier informed the board that MSB 6225 public notice was pulled as the parcel was classified "public use" and therefore not eligible for sale to the general public. Questions were asked regarding the establishment of the price that the borough receives when it sells gravel. Mr. Heier stated that the price is set based on the appraised (fair market) value at the time of sale.
 5. Boy Scout Application
Request for modification of deed status will be introduced at the March 17th Assembly meeting with the public hearing scheduled for the April 7th meeting.

Ms. Strong disconnected from the teleconference at 7:10 p.m.

Clerk note: The quorum was lost the meeting should have been adjourned at this time.

6. Forest Management Plan
State and borough will be scheduling 5 joint open houses in April for the borough's Forest Management Unit and the state's Susitna Forestry Guidelines. This is Phase II of the borough's Forest Management Plan. Phase I documents are being updated and reviewed for errors based on public comments received. The distribution of the draft documents should be available sometime in late April or early May.
7. Title 17 Re-write
Mr. Krueger, MSB Planner was not available to provide an update.

VIII. PARKS, RECREATION, AND TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD REPORT

There is currently no representative from the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Board appointed to this board. Representative needs to be recommended by the Mayor and confirmed by the Assembly. Mr. Elliott, a member of the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Board was in attendance and provided the following information to the board regarding events at the January 26th meeting. Stated that they passed the "Boy Scout" resolution, approved a resolution to add trails to the Borough's Trail's Plan noting that most of the trails were from the Big Lake area. Stated he had qualms about the summer time use of the winter trails.

IX. PERSONS TO BE HEARD / AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

XI. PUBLIC NOTICES

MSB 2269 - Management Agreement with MSB School District for a parcel of land off Bogard Road to use as the temporary location of an education program known as Mat-Su Day School. The site is currently under a yearly Management Agreement and the school district would like to enter into a longer term lease. Board members requested that the existing "footprint" of the existing use area not be allowed to expand during the term of the new Management Agreement.

MSB 6216 – Wilderness East. Board members requested clarification of "to relieve the topographical constraints." Mr. Heier explained that due to steep slope additional acreage is necessary for the cut slope needed for the road upgrade.

XII. CORRESPONDENCE (to be mailed out in packet & available at regular meeting)

None

XIII. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Buckle, and Mr. Marsh had no comment.

Mr. Strassenburgh wondered why the board had not seen any plans or SpUD come before the board in a long time. Mr. Heier stated there haven't been any to bring forward.

Mr. Strassenburgh disconnected from the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Mr. Harris requested a correction to his email address on the Boards and Commission" page.

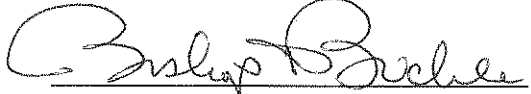
Ms. Snyder shared the Big Lake Comp Plan map with the remaining board members. Stated there were errors on the map, but conceptually the map is much better than having to read 100 plus pages of narrative. Questioned the remaining members about changing the time of the meeting to 5 p.m. instead of 6 p.m. Stated the need to fill the remaining vacancies on the board and urged board members to seek out applicants to fill the open positions. Acknowledged the passing of Mayor Menard relaying a favorite quote of his.

XIV. NEXT MEETING

April 8, 2009, Lower Level Conference Room

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Buckle adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.


Bishop T. Buckle, Chairman

ATTEST:


Elizabeth Weiant, Secretary