# CITY & BOROUGH OF WRANGELL

# BOROUGH CLERK'S REPORT

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TO: BOROUGH ASSEMBLY MEMBERS AND MAYOR GILBERT

FROM: KIM LANE, BOROUGH CLERK SUBJECT: February 25<sup>th</sup> CLERK'S REPORT

### Upcoming Meetings & Other Informational dates:

#### **Other City Boards/Commissions:**

February 27– Finance Committee mtg @5:30pm in the Assembly Chambers

March 4 – Economic Development Board mtg. @ 6pm in the Assembly Chambers

March 6 – Port Commission mtg. @6pm in the Assembly Chambers

March 13 - Planning & Zoning Commission mtg. @ 5:30pm in the Assembly Chambers

March 18 – WCVB mtg. @ noon in the Assembly Chambers

## **Upcoming Work Sessions (scheduled), Public Hearings (scheduled),**

### **Regular Assembly Meetings, and Other Meetings (scheduled)**

DATE	TIME	PURPOSE	
March 11th (no work session scheduled)	6рт	Regular Assembly Meeting	
March 24th WS	6рт	Joint WS with School Board/Assy	
March 25 <sup>th</sup> (WS – Rate Presentation)	6рт	Regular Assembly Meeting (7pm)	
April 8 <sup>th</sup> (no work session scheduled)	6рт	Regular Assembly Meeting	
April 22 <sup>nd</sup> (WS – Insurance update/presentation)	6рт	Regular Assembly Meeting (7pm)	
May 13th (no work session scheduled)	6рт	Regular Assembly Meeting	
May 14th Budget WS	5:30pm	Budget Work Session	
May 22 <sup>nd</sup> Possible Budget WS	5:30pm	Budget Revision WS (if needed)	
May 27th (official Budget PH & Adoption - tentative)	6рт	Regular Assembly Meeting	
June 10 <sup>th</sup> (no work session scheduled)	6рт	Regular Assembly Meeting	
June 24th (no work session scheduled)	6рт	Regular Assembly Meeting	

### Borough Property for Sale...

The following Industrial Lots are still listed on the Public Surplus site and are scheduled to close on March 12th. To date, there have been no bids received for these three lots.

If there are any lots that do not sell, they will be listed for 30-day periods, until sold.

		Starting Bid Amount
LOT 9, BLOCK 66, INDUSTRIAL REPLAT	(25,849 sq. ft.)	\$51,700
LOT 11, BLOCK 66, INDUSTRIAL REPLAT	(16,500 sq. ft.)	\$31,400
LOT 12, BLOCK 66, INDUSTRIAL REPLAT	(16,500 sq. ft.)	\$31,400

#### Parliamentary information...

Here are some parliamentary rules can be very useful!

**Parliamentary inquiry:** Not a motion, but a question as to whether an action would be in order. This is something that can be brought up at any time. If there is something that you are unsure of or simply not clear on, don't be afraid to speak up and ask using this parliamentary rule.

Appeal from the decision of the chair: The group can overrule the chair on any decision. While the motion must be seconded, it cannot be amended. When this motion is moved and seconded, the moderator immediately states the question, "Shall the decision of the chair stand as the judgment of the council?" If there is a tie vote, the chair's decision is upheld. The motion is not debatable when it applies to a matter of improper use of authority or when it is made while there is a pending motion to close debate. However, the motion can be debated at other times. Each person may speak once, and the moderator may also state the basis for the decision.

**Request to withdraw a motion:** Contrary to popular misconception, a motion cannot be withdrawn by its mover. This request requires majority approval. Once a motion is made and seconded, it belongs to the body. Therefore, a request to withdraw can be made and if there are any objections to withdrawing, it moves forward with discussion and a vote.

**Tabling**: Used to postpone discussion until the group decides by majority vote to resume discussion. By adopting the motion to "lay on the table", a majority has the power to halt consideration of the question immediately without debate. Requires a second, non-debatable, not amendable. Most often, you will want to use Postpone!

**Postpone to a definite time:** Similar to tabling, except that the motion directs that the matter will be taken up again at some specific date and time.

**Previous question or close debate:** Used to bring the body to an immediate vote. It closes debate and stops further amendment. Contrary to some misconceptions, the

majority decides when enough discussion has occurred, not the moderator. The formal motion is to "call for the question" or "call for the previous question," or simply, "I move to close debate." The motion requires a second, is not debatable and requires a two-third majority.

**Limit/extend debate:** May be desired if the group has adopted a rule limiting the amount of time that will be spent on a topic, or if the group desires to impose a time limitation.

**Refer to committee:** Directs that some other body will study the matter and report back.