



**Membership Meeting Minutes**  
**Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference General Membership Meeting**

Friday, March 2, 2018 – 10:30 a.m.  
The Hotel Captain Cook, Anchorage, Alaska

- I. **Call to Order** .....Rebecca Skinner, President.....10:30 a.m.  
Meeting called to order by President Rebecca Skinner

- II. **Roll Call** – Municipal Members..... Doug Griffin, Exec. Director.....10:41 a.m.

Municipal Members: Aleutians East Borough, City of Adak, City of Akutan, City of Cold Bay, City of Togiak, City of King Cove, City of Sand Point, City Unalaska, Bristol Bay Borough, Lake & Pen Borough, City of Dillingham, City of Manokotak, Kodiak Island Borough, City of Kodiak, City of Old Harbor. *Quorum established.*

Associate Members: Alaska Airlines, Alaska Groundfish Data Bank, The Aleut Corporation, Alyeska/Westward Seafoods, APICA, ABS Alaska, Inc., Aleutians Spill Control, Inc./Alaska Response Company, BBEDC, First Nation Bank of Alaska, GCI, Grant Aviation, Gronholdt Development Corporation, Icicle Seafoods, McDowell Group, Old Harbor Native Corporation, Ounalashka Corporation, Pacific Seafood Processors Association, PenAir, Shumagin Corporation, TDX Corporation, TelAlaska.

Non-Profit Members: BBNA, BBHA, Groundfish Forum, KANA, Nelson Lagoon Tribal Council, Sun’aq Tribe of Kodiak, Spruce Island Development, UAF – Bristol Bay Campus, UAA – Kodiak College, BBCC, Unalaska CVB.

- III. **Approval of Minutes & Agenda** .....Rebecca Skinner.....10:47 a.m.  
Minutes: City of Unalaska moves to approve minutes. City of Adak seconds. Minutes are approved with no further discussion.  
Agenda: Aleutians East Borough moves to approve minutes. City of Cold Bay seconds. Agenda is approved with no further discussion.

- IV. **Board Elections** .....Rebecca Skinner.....10:28 a.m.
  - A. Sub-regional Caucuses  
Members separate into sub-region caucuses to vote for board seats
  - B. Caucus Reports  
Election Results:
    - a. At-Large B Seat (2 years): Frank Kelty
    - b. Kodiak Associate Seat (2 years): Laura Muller
    - c. Kodiak Municipal Seat (2 years): Charles Davidson

V. **Financial Report** .....Doug Griffin.....11:05 a.m.

A. FY17 Financial Review

City of Adak moves to approve financial report. City of Bristol Bay seconds. Financial report is approved with no further discussion.

VI. **Governance Issues**

A. Resolutions.....Rebecca Skinner.....11:15 a.m.

- a) **Membership Resolution FY18-01:** A resolution by the Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference Membership supporting the reauthorization and amendment of the Magnuson-Stevens act to ensure the continued management of the nation’s fisheries based on sound science and harvest limitations that prioritize the continuation and sustainability of America’s fisheries.
- b) **Membership Resolution FY18-02:** A resolution by the Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference Membership urging Governor Walker to declare a federal fisheries disaster for the 2018 commercial pacific cod fishery in the Gulf of Alaska.
- c) **Membership Resolution FY18-03:** A resolution by the Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference Membership supporting the “Coastal Communities Ocean Acidification Act of 2017” introduced by Senator Lisa Murkowski.
- d) **Membership Resolution FY18-04:** A resolution of the Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference Membership supporting a progressive graduated statewide income tax as part of a sustainable budget for the state of Alaska.
- e) **Membership Resolution FY18-05:** A resolution by the Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference Membership supporting the governor’s proposed FY19 Alaska marine highway system operating budget and supporting forward funding for the Alaska marine highway system.
- f) **Membership Resolution FY18-06:** A resolution of the Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference Membership supporting the implementation of a sustainable and balanced budget for the state of Alaska.
- g) **Membership Resolution FY18-07:** A resolution of the Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference Membership to preserve the power cost equalization endowment fund for its intended purpose of assisting Alaskans and Alaskan communities with the high cost of electricity.
- h) **Membership Resolution FY18-08:** A resolution of the Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference Membership requesting that the Alaska State Legislature revisit the standard for recalling municipal officials to determine the sufficiency of definitions and processes therein.
- i) **Membership Resolution FY18-09:** A resolution by the Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference Membership in support of changing the transferability of limited entry salmon permits by allowing an additional two names on the permit.
- j) **Membership Resolution FY18-10:** A resolution by the Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference Membership supporting House Bill 267, “an act requiring the release of certain records relating to big game hunters, guided hunts, and guided sports fishing activities to municipalities for certification of taxes payable; providing for an effective date.

VII. **Staff Report** .....Doug Griffin.....11:55 a.m.

Griffin summarizes major staff activities over the past fiscal year, highlighting staff efforts with the Regional Energy Plans, and the Manufacture Alaska Extension, SWAMC’s new website, the monthly digital newsletter, the EDA broadband grant which has 6 regional partners, a 3-year DOE grant.

**Voice of the Membership**.....Rebecca Skinner.....12 noon.  
Kelty complimented SWAMC staff on Convention, Hermann said MAKE Program is good for Alaska. Board of Directors thanked SWAMC staff.

VIII. **Next Annual Meeting: February 28 and March 1, 2019** Rebecca Skinner.....12:05 p.m.

IX. **Adjourn** .....Rebecca Skinner.....12:10 p.m.  
City of Adak moves to adjourn the meeting, City of Cold Bay seconds, meeting adjourned.