

ALASKA MENTAL HEALTH TRUST AUTHORITY
LEGISLATIVE & AUDIT AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING

February 22, 2018
11:02 a.m.

Taken at:
3745 Community Park Loop, Suite 210
Anchorage, Alaska

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Trustees present:

Greg Jones, Chair (via Speakerphone)
Laraine Derr (via Speakerphone)
Jerome Selby (via Speakerphone)
Mary Jane Michael (via Speakerphone)
Paula Easley
Christopher Cooke

Trust staff present:

Mike Abbott
Steve Williams
Andy Stemp
Miri Smith-Coolidge
Carley Lawrence
Valette Keller

Trustee Land Office present:

Sarah Morrison

PROCEEDINGS

CHAIR JONES calls the meeting to order and stated that a roll call has been established. He asks for any announcements. There being none, he moves to the agenda.

TRUSTEE EASLEY makes a motion to approve the agenda.

TRUSTEE COOKE seconds.

There being no objection, the motion is approved.

MR. ABBOTT adds an update on SB 177 to the agenda.

CHAIR JONES adds that right before the Legislative Audit Report. He asks for any other changes to the agenda. He considers the agenda approved. He asks for any ethics disclosures.

There being none, he moves to the minutes of December 28, 2017. He asks for any amendments or clarifications.

TRUSTEE COOKE makes a motion to approve the minutes of December 28, 2017.

TRUSTEE EASLEY seconds.

There being no objection, the motion is approved.

CHAIR JONES moves to the legislative report.

MR. ABBOTT states that he met with Senator MacKinnon on Tuesday in Juneau. Because of the delay in the production of the legislative audit, which is now likely to be delayed for public release until late April, it was agreed to not move forward with SB 177 at this time. He continues that a legislative process could not be completed with the audit still in a confidential status. He adds that the bill currently resides in the Senate State Affairs Committee and has not been set for a hearing. Senator MacKinnon will not formally withdraw the bill, which is a possibility, but there is no real reason to do that.

TRUSTEE COOKE asks if the bill was only introduced.

MR. ABBOTT replies yes.

TRUSTEE COOKE asks if there have been any evaluations by the legal staff or the administration.

MR. ABBOTT replies that there have been no hearings scheduled or that have occurred. Leg. Legal reviewed the bill during its drafting process, so there was that level of legal scrutiny by the legislative drafters. He adds that, at this point, the bill will die a natural death in the Senate State Affairs Committee.

CHAIR JONES appreciates all the efforts on this, and states his disappointment that it has ended up this way. He states that the next item on the agenda is the Legislative Audit Report. He asks for a motion to go into Executive Session.

TRUSTEE COOKE makes a motion that the committee go into Executive Session to discuss the confidential exit conference items identified by the Legislative Budget & Audit Committee in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, AS 44.62.310(c).

TRUSTEE EASLEY seconds.

There being no objection, the motion is approved.

CHAIR JONES moves into Executive Session.

(Executive Session from at 11:13 a.m. until 12:12 p.m.)

CHAIR JONES calls the public session back to order.

TRUSTEE SELBY reports that all have come out of Executive Session where no action was taken.

CHAIR JONES asks for any other business to be addressed before the committee.

MR. ABBOTT replies none from the staff.

CHAIR JONES asks for a motion to adjourn.

TRUSTEE COOKE makes a motion to adjourn the meeting.

TRUSTEE EASLEY seconds.

There being no objection, the meeting is adjourned.

(Legislative & Audit Ad Hoc Committee meeting adjourned at 12:13 p.m.)