



Regular Monthly Meeting
10 a.m. Wednesday, June 5, 2024
Mayors' Council Conference Room
Hagåtña, Guam

MINUTES

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** *President* Mayor Jesse L.G. Alig called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

II. **ROLL CALL AND RECITATION OF *INIFRESI*:**

ALIG, Jesse L.G.	Mayor	Piti
* ALVAREZ, Dale E.	Mayor	Sânta Rita-Sumai
V BAUTISTA, Jessie P.	Vice Mayor	Barrigada
BENAVENTE, Peter John S.	Vice Mayor	Dededo
V BLAS, June U.	Mayor	Barrigada
CHARGUALAF, Anthony P.	Mayor	Inalâhan
* CRUZ, John A.	Mayor	Hagåtña
V DELGADO, Kevin AN	Vice Mayor	Mangilao
HOFMANN, Robert RDC	Mayor	Sinajana
V McDONALD, Paul M.	Mayor	Agana Heights
PACO, Rudy A.	Mayor	M-T-M
QUENGA, Bill A.	Mayor	Yona
* QUINATA, Johnny A.	Mayor	Humâtak
RIVERA, Louise C.	Mayor	Tamuning
SALAS, Frankie A.	Mayor	Asan-Maina
* SANCHEZ, Anthony P.	Mayor	Yigo
SAVARES, Melissa B.	Mayor	Dededo
V SUSUICO, Kevin J.T.	Mayor	Hâgat
TAITAGUE, Vicente S.	Mayor	Talo'fo'fo'
TOVES, Albert M.	Vice Mayor	Tamuning
O CHARGUALAF, Ernest T.	Mayor	Malesso'
O GOGUE, Jessy C.	Mayor	Chalan Pago-Ordot
O LEONES, Loreto V.	Vice Mayor	Yigo

O = ABSENT * = LATE ** = OFF ISLAND R = REPRESENTATIVE V = VIRTUAL

Nineteen (19) members present at time of roll call. A quorum was established.

III. **NATIONAL ANTHEM / GUAM HYMN**

IV. GUEST SPEAKERS

- A. Jennifer Craig / Barbara Alberti, NPS GuamPedia, WWII Oral Histories
- B. Cassandra Sachdev, MODA Ginos
- C. Rebecca Respicio, Director, Guam Energy Office

V. APPROVAL OF MAY MINUTES – Mayor Rudy Paco made the motion to approve and was seconded by Mayor Allan Ungacta. No discussions or objections. The motion carried.

VI. APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT – Mayor Vicente Taitague made the motion to approve the April report and was seconded by Mayor Bill Quenga. Discussion: The President identified an expense for the Guam Island Fair under the Revolving Fund and would like to clarify with the Treasurer. The Treasurer will look into it and get back to the President. No other discussions or objections. The motion carried.

VII. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

RECYCLING REVOLVING FUND – Ernie Galito is requesting an approximate number of abandoned/junk vehicles per village. Each district to report numbers to the secretary. Recycling Revolving Fund Orientation is scheduled for June 6, 2024 at 9 a.m. at the Mayors’ Council of Guam Conference Room. Purchase Orders for Recycling Revolving Fund FY2024 will be ready for pick-up after the orientation.

GUAM BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER (GBHWC) (Suicide Prevention Training) – GBH is requesting for two volunteers from each district or anyone from the community to attend the upcoming training on June 21, 2024 to share their training curriculum with the villages through the Mayor’s Offices.

FISCAL BUDGET 2025 – The President will request a committee meeting for finance and legislation to discuss the FY2025 budget. Hazardous pay to be considered for all Mayors’ Council of Guam employees except for the unelected official. The President will work closely with Department of Administration to determine the eligibility of each employee.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) – Funding is on hold until we spend the lapse funding. The President approved to disburse Twenty-Four Thousand (\$24,000.00) of the lapse funding to each Mayor. The disbursement is considered for Object Classes 230 (Contractual) and 240 (Supplies) which is currently being reviewed by Bureau of Budget & Management Research (BBMR) and Department of Administration (DOA).

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Boards and Commissions – In order to hopefully obtain and update on your boards and commissions so that you can report, I will be collaborating with Rica for the remainder of the month to review every board and commission that we have assigned to you or that you have volunteered to be a part of. The President would like to inquire as to whether the organization is still in existence. If not, we can remove it from our records. We would appreciate a report from you if you are a member of a committee, board, or commission.

B. Standing Committees – No Report

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. 80th Liberation Planning - The final counting for the Royal Court will take place on June 14 at 4 p.m. and the Coronation will now take place on Sunday, July 7. Mayors and Vice Mayors are invited, but spouses are not free.

Block Party - Guam Visitors Bureau (GVB) to coordinate the block party on July 20th and 21st from 2 p.m.-10 p.m. with the Mayor's Council's support. Each village will be represented at the Festival Huts and can have up to two (2) booths for games and/or sell food and drinks. The President will submit a letter of request to the Governor to include Games of Chance as part of the festivities. Mayors are to provide a customized logo for their district stamps to be used for game booths. If not submitted by June 14th district logo will be used.

Unified Memorial - The President announced that if a mayor is having their district memorial, to also be present at the Unified Memorial the Council has voted on.

Fireworks/Drone Show - The fireworks show will be at 7:21pm the night of Liberation. There will be three (3) firing locations and it will be a fifteen (15) minute show. Camping permits will be available on July 12. There will be no drone show.

B. GUAM 100 STUDY – Their lab is one of the 17 national laboratories in the United States that are largely supported by the Department of Energy located in Golden, Colorado and is funded by the Office of Insular Affairs to offer technical support to our island residents in order to assist in making the transition to 100% renewable energy. They will aid in facilitating community discussions, gathering community input, and converting community needs and goals into technical support and modeling work. Their goal is to implement clean energy systems, enhance energy security and resilience, lower energy costs, and diversify energy sources away from petroleum-based fuels. While using the solar energy emblem on island, other renewable energy technologies will also be evaluated by Guam 100 and Guam Power Authority's (GPA) strategy. The engagement and technical help to facilitate this transition is depicted at the top of the graphic. They are scheduled to arrive on island sometime in August. A specific date will be determined at a later time.

C. USER FEES – Mayor Melissa Savares reported the proposed fee schedule was essentially the same as the one that was submitted to the legislature back in 2014 but adjustments was made to the amounts. For gyms, fields, basketball courts, parks including the senior centers. The President inquired from the Mayors and Vice Mayors if funeral escort and water usage fees should be added to the user's fee schedule as the water bill continuously increases most especially during dry season. The President requested for Mayors and Vice Mayors to review the schedule and it will be on the agenda for the July regular monthly meeting. Mayors are to email the President outlining the things they want to add in the fee schedule, along with any additional language that should be included.

CHAMORU LAND TRUST COMMISSION – The President announced that he is working on a possible pilot project with the many environmental issues in the villages. The trash

and the abandoned/junk vehicles. The President would like to work with CHamoru Land Trust to identify who the leaseholders are within those parameters so the President can inform the lessee that they would need to tidy up. The Mayors can issue citations for littering and disregarding abandoned/junk vehicles. The President would like for the Mayors and Vice Mayors to exercise their authority in the most prudent way.

X. **NEW BUSINESS** – None.

XI. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None.

XII. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

Attested by:



MAYOR LOUISE C. RIVERA
Council Executive Secretary
17th Mayors' Council of Guam

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