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Regular Monthly Meeting 10 a.m. Wednesday, October 2, 2019 Mayors' Council Conference Room Hagåtña, Guam

# **MINUTES**

I. CALL TO ORDER: President Mayor Melissa Savares called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m.

## **ROLL CALL:**

ALIG. Jesse L.G. Piti Mavor ALVAREZ, Dale E. Santa Rita Mayor BAUTISTA, Jessie P. Vice Mayor Barrigada BENAVENTE, Frank A. Vice Mayor Dededo BLAS, June U. Mayor Barrigada CHARGUALAF, Ernest T. Mayor Merizo DUENAS, Thomas J. Vice Mayor Mangilao HOFMANN, Robert RDC Mayor Sinajana LUJAN, Doris F. Mayor Inarajan McDONALD, Paul M. Mayor Agana Heights MATANANE, Rudy M. Mayor Yigo PACO, Rudy A. Mayor Mongmong-Toto-Maite QUINATA, Johnny A. Mayor Umatac RIVERA, Louise C. Mayor Tamuning-Tumon-Ha SALAS, Frankie A. Asan-Maina Mayor Dededo SAVARES, Melissa B. Mayor SUSUICO, Kevin T. Mayor Agat Talofofo TAITAGUE, Vicente S. Mayor \* UNGACTA, Allan "Al" R.G. Mayor Mangilao O BLAS, Jesse M. Mavor Yona O CRUZ, John A. Mayor Hagatña O GOGUE, Jessy C. Mayor Chalan Pago-Ordot O FEJERAN, Christopher J. Vice Mayor Agat O IRIARTE, Rudy D. Vice Mayor Sinajana O SANCHEZ, Anthony P. Vice Mayor Yigo O SANTOS, Kenneth C. Vice Mayor Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon

O = ABSENT

\* = LATE

\*\* = OFF ISLAND

R = REPRESENTATIVE

Sixteen (16) members present at time of roll call. Quorum was established.

Angel R. Sablan Elaine RA Schaaf

Executive Director Recording Secretary

#### II. RECITATION OF INIFRESI

- III. SECRETARY'S REPORT Minutes of August 7, 2019 Mayor Paul McDonald made the motion to approve the *Report* and seconded by Mayor Rudy Paco. No discussions or objections. The motion carried.
- IV. TREASURER'S REPORT Mayor Robert Hofmann made the motion to approve the Report for July and August and seconded by Mayor Rudy Matanane. No discussions or objections and the motion passed.
- V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:
  - 1. Audience Request (Special Monthly Meeting Wednesday, October 16, 2019)
    - a. Patricia Terlaje, Guam Community College
      Adult Education Programs
    - b. Sandra Reyes Seau, CHamoru District, Boy Scouts of America
    - c. Larry Limtiaco Learn to Ride
    - d. Jack Hattig III, Administrative Director, CHamorru Land Trust Commission
    - e. Frank Taitano, Bus Operations Supervisor, DPW Placement and upkeep of bus shelters

ED addressed Mayor Rudy Matanane that these requests were prepared in advanced and his request to present the Stray Animal Round Up (SARU) was made this morning. Mayor said he understood. Mayor Rudy Matanane made a motion to include the SARU presentation and seconded by Vice Mayor Jessie Bautista. No discussions or objections and the motion passed.

Mayor Jesse Alig made the motion to approve all the requests in the order of A, B, C, E, D, and SARU. Seconded by Mayor Allan Ungacta. No discussions or objections and the motion passed.

## 2. Communications

- a. **Nominations for Veterans of the Year** ED reminded Council members to turn in their nomination forms by close of business Friday, October 4.
- b. **GAIN Site visit with Mayors and Vice Mayors** A site visit at their Yigo facility on Thursday Oct. 3 at 10 a.m.
- c. **GIAA Dignitary/VIP Reserved Parking New Process** ED reported that there is a form that needs to be filled out. There are six slots, first come first served but you would have to request first. The form would be emailed to Council and be will sent out to all Districts.

### VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **UPDATE MCOG 2019 CHRISTMAS PARTY SUNDAY, 12/15/19 AT SHERATON LAGUNA HOTEL** - Chairman Mayor Rudy Paco reported a committee meeting today at 1 p.m. and a raffle drawing. There are dollar raffle tickets still available for this afternoon's drawing.

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2. **STRAY ANIMAL ROUND UP (SARU)** – *President* gave the floor to governor's municipal affairs representative, Robert Lizama who stated that Dept. of Agriculture director Chelsa Muna-Brecht is coming up with their plan and budget then it would be presented to the Mayors' Council once it is approved by her channels. It is up to the SARU chair if he would like to schedule a meeting with the director as he had announced during the September 4 meeting at the Council. DoAG had been tasked to identify the appropriate funding they would need for the entire animal control issue that involves SARU, licensing and registering, spay and neuter, and adoption.

Chair, Mayor Rudy Matanane said he had been calling Dept. of Agriculture to try to make an appointment to see director Chelsa Muna-Brecht and was told she was off-island yet tried to schedule for two weeks from now but nothing. *President* said she would communicate with DoAG and make the appointment so that Mayor Matanane and Vice Mayor Jessie Bautista could meet with her and Dr. Poole.

Mayor Matanane distributed copies of an email from GAIN on estimates it needed. *President* stated that the Government of Guam gives GAIN \$175k every year. Mayor Robert Hofmann expressed that this is something the Council could advocate for especially for kennel expansion, a full time vet and getting costs for drugs to help euthanize guicker.

Mayor Paul McDonald said he recently brought in four stray dogs to GAIN and was turned away because it was at capacity. He expressed that people are calling in about stray dogs and there is no place to put them. Mayor Allan Ungacta also had the same experience and was told to call first prior to going there.

#### VII. NEW BUSINESS -

1. **MCOG FY 2020 BUDGET** — *President* gave the floor to ED who reported that Council's budget this year in total is more than last year but in different areas there is a decrease. In the *Limited Gaming Fund (LGF)*, last year was \$524,913 this year is \$558,692. In *Streets Maintenance and Beautification (SMB)*, last year was \$932,423 this year is \$880,861. In the *Public Safety and Social Education Programs (PSSEP)*, last year was \$375,174 this year is \$340,390. In the *Island-Wide Village Beautification Projects (IWVBP)*, last year was \$423,829 this year is \$400,391.

Summary of appropriation funding source for personnel and operations breakdown; from the General Fund is \$3,730,735; from the Guam Highway Fund is \$6,237,363; from the Tourist Attraction Fund is \$295,855 is the sum of \$10,263,953.

There is no *Ground Maintenance Schools (GMS)* appropriations. That responsibility had been transferred to GDOE. However, the Council offered to assist GDOE for the next two months. Council still has existing funds and is still awaiting on additional cash disbursement from DOA to Council's account. ED asked mayors to work with their vendors for school grass cutting and see if they would be interested in doing a one or two month job. Grass cutting is not in Council's budget this year but there is a balance.

Mayors who have senior centers and adult day cares, the governor did come through to allot \$20,000 for each of the centers. It is under the Compact Impact funding. The caveat is it cannot be used for any repair work or construction only for personnel. At the suggestion of BBMR, the MCOG would take out \$300,000 from *Personnel* in our budget and JV it with the \$300,000 the governor is giving and then we're going to take the \$300,000 from our budget

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put it in allotment for the senior centers and adult day care and give the \$20,000 to the mayors to repair the centers. ED expressed to use the scope of work that mayors provided to the governor and get the four (4) quotes.

Mayor Paul McDonald made the motion to approve the FY 2020 budget and seconded by Mayor Allan Ungacta. No further discussions or objections. The motion passed.

ED reminded mayors to have their Administrative Assistants prepare the allotment schedules and submit it in as soon as possible.

Mayor Robert Hofmann made the motion to approve the Public Safety and Social Education Programs (PSSEP) plan as presented and seconded by Mayor Vicente Taitague. No further discussions or objections. The motion passed.

## VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS -

1. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS -

Community Health Centers – Mayor Savares communicated that if mayors have an underserved area, to let her know so they could try for the next outreach to go into those areas for immunization and fluoride varnishing. The CHC provides primary healthcare, acute outpatient care and preventive services to the community for low income, uninsured, and medically underserved populations.

2. MCOG STANDING COMMITTEES - No reports.

#### IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ED reported Yona operations are continuing under his delegation. He requested an opinion for clarification from the Office of the Attorney General with regard to existing law provisions on mayoral vacancies, declaration of vacancies, and succession that is why the appointment of a municipal planning council for Yona was put on hold. Mayor Jesse Blas is still the mayor.
- Today's luncheon hosted by Sinajana Mayor's Office.

#### X. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kevin Susuico motioned to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Mayor Louise Rivera. *President* thanked Council members and adjourned the meeting at 11:39 p.m.

Attested by:

MAYOR DORIS F. LUJÁN
Council Executive Secretary

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