



Regular Monthly Meeting
10 a.m. Wednesday, July 5, 2017
Mayors' Council Conference Room
Hagåtña, Guam

MINUTES

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** *President* Mayor Paul McDonald called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m.

II. **ROLL CALL:**

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

○ = ABSENT

* = LATE

** = OFF ISLAND

R = REPRESENTATIVE

Fifteen (15) members present at time of roll call. No quorum was established.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

Angel R. Sablan
Elaine Schaaf

Executive Director
Recording Secretary

III. RECITATION OF *INIFRESI*

With the presence of Mayor Kevin Susuico, a quorum was established at 11:10 a.m.

IV. SECRETARY'S REPORT - Minutes of June 7, 2017 – **Mayor Melissa Savares made the motion to approve the report and seconded by Mayor Dale Alvarez. No further discussions or objections and the motion carried.**

TREASURER'S REPORT – **Mayor Robert Hofmann made the motion to approve the Report and seconded by Mayor Dale Alvarez. No further discussions or objections and the motion passed.**

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

1. Audience Request for MCOG Special Monthly Meeting July 19, 2017

- a. Michelle H. Taitano, Special Projects Coordinator, Dept. of Labor
Propose Homelessness Employment Ideas

Mayor Louise Rivera made the motion to suspend the July Special Monthly Meeting to August and seconded by Mayor Robert Hofmann. No further discussions or objections and the motion carried.

ED stated that Ms. Taitano was already contacted and agreed to move her presentation to August and to submit any brochures or write-up about the Homeless Coalition because some of the mayors wanted to know what was new this year from previous years presentations.

Mayor Jessy Gogue made the motion to approve the guest speaker for August and seconded by Mayor Louise Rivera. No further discussions or objections and the motion carried.

2. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. **GUAMWEBZ MAYORS OFFICES WEBSITES** – ED reported that Council's web designer had offered to build new websites to each of the Mayor's Offices at a low rate. Mayor Robert Hofmann said his office went online and found a provider that does web hosting, site buildings, domains and web tools. He paid a one-time fee of \$100 that gave access to all graphics, tools, and pays \$12 monthly.

Mayor Jessy Gogue suggested to tie in what the Council already established that way mayors don't have to worry about a bid but if mayors try to do this individually it's like taking on a bid for services because we're doing it independent of something that's already pre-established. Mayor Gogue gave recommendation if the Council could modify the agreement or services and ask for an amendment by expanding it to all 19 Districts and then do a journal voucher transfer between our village accounts over to the Mayors' Council of Guam if mayors elect to do that then there would be no need for a bid.

The Council's website costed a one-time fee of \$7000 to set up and \$4000 annually.

- b. **CITIZEN CENTRIC REPORT** – Annually the report is due in August and ED expressed that every year the Council tries to put more information than the year before. ED is giving the opportunity to all the villages to come up with their village report on population,

number of requests for assistance received (canopies, chairs, coral, events at centers, etc) and number of verifications because these reports would show the amount of money mayors received, how it's spent and the number of people that came in and utilized Mayors Offices. Mayor Robert Hofmann expressed almost 70% of requests are when you're out there face to face with the resident and they ask your for assistance. ED stated this could be included as a summary saying these do not include other requests that came in.

ED expressed that we are not going to make this complicated just be simplified so that we could have a total for the villages.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. **LIBERATION FESTIVITIES** – ED reported that the Queens Committee have determined last Monday to postpone the Coronation until next Wednesday, July 12 due to forecast of rain. If it does rain on that day, plan B venue would be the Guam Museum; reservations had been made.

Opening of the Carnival would coincide with the Coronation. Food vendors would all be food trucks. The former FestPac huts would be utilized for other vendors; there are several spaces available if mayors or constituents are interested. Contact Jeff San Nicolas at Chamorro Village at a much reduced fee because they have taken out some of the costs for security and clean up. We have vendors who are looking at opening from Wednesdays to Sundays.

Fireworks really just depends how much we generate as far as corporate funds are concerned. The quote that came in was for \$55K. The committee is trying to knock that down to below \$15K and to give us the best deal because at \$55K we would have to go out and bid and we don't have the time to do that nor do we have the funds. *President* is trying to set up a meeting with the Governor this week to try to see whether GVB is going to go ahead and continue on the Governor's commitment to assist the Mayors' Council at least in getting some entertainment to perform during carnival nights.

Parade briefing had been rescheduled to Friday, July 14 at the Tamuning Senior Center from July 12 because that is the Queen's Coronation and Carnival opening.

b. **REVOLVING RECYCLING FUND** – ED reported that the FY'2015 information requested during the Oversight Hearing was sent to Senator Telena Nelson's office on Monday, June 3, 2017. There were two (2) villages that returned the bulk of the money unused; Tamuning and for the Abandoned Vehicles is Chalan Pago-Ordot.

c. **LIMITED GAMING FUND** – ED made announcement to utilize the LGF because the way Senator Mike San Nicolas is looking at it now, is probably the last time there would be equal funding. Senator may come up with some kind of formula. ED reported that there are about fifteen (15) villages that have not touched the LGF. \$33K had been given out to all 19 Districts that could be used for community centers, recreational facilities, Mayors' Office, Senior Centers, rehabilitation or repairs. ED advised not to save it for next fiscal year because there may not be any.

d. **MCOG 40TH ANNIVERSARY** – No report.

e. **EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION PICNIC - Saturday, November 4, 2017 at Port Authority Beach – Chairman Mayor Rudy Matanane/Co-chair Mayor Allan Ungacta.**

No report.

f. **MCOG 2017 CHRISTMAS PARTY Thursday, December 7, 2017 at Leo Palace- Chairman Mayor Jesse M. Blas.** No report.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. **TRAVEL POLICY** – *President* Mayor McDonald expressed that because of the outcome from the Council's FY2018 Budget and Oversight Hearings, there will be a policy set up. Mayor Robert Hofmann agreed to set a policy where it is not as restrictive but more of explaining our actions for travel and exploring options. With each of the mayors' budget, a percentage limit would be more agreeable.

President suggested Council should request funds from GVB not the Legislature. Mayor Hofmann said GVB had stepped up when Council requested assistance by providing water and busing but there are some gray area where Council needs to decide how much of our work would be in terms of how we deal with our sister city.

ED stated that every travel is documented starting with the request, the amount of money spent, the per diem amount requested, and the number of days and the itinerary and agenda is attached to each of those reports. Mayor Gogue thought a trip report included a summary from travelers themselves.

Mayor Robert Hofmann, Mayor Melissa Savares, and Mayor Jessy Gogue volunteered. Mayor Hofmann said the task force would be looking at guidelines for travel reporting to include certificate of attendances. *President* recommended for mayors and vice mayors to think twice before they plan on taking a trip on official funding because of the remark made by Senator Mike San Nicolas that he was going to put the Council on notice. Mayor Hofmann said they are so quick to forget how many senators have accompanied the mayors on trips as well and they criticize mayors who are no longer in office.

Mayor Gogue expressed that Senator San Nicolas stated that he would not entertain any additional requests for funding and what he was saying was that the bill would never make it to public hearing for the \$500K for the Recycling Fund; that was what the senator was eluding to.

President announced that other mayors and vice mayors are welcome to join the task force.

X COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **Boards and Commissions** – No report.

2. **MCOG Standing Committees** – No report.

3. **AMIM** – Mayor Melissa Savares said AMIM President Mayor Joey San Nicolas had scheduled a meet and greet on Wednesday, July 19. Mayor Savares said the time and venue TBD because of the Fena Memorial.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Mayor Robert Hofmann announced that the proposal for the new HOTBOND by Senator Dennis Rodriguez and some of the projects are the Mt. Lamlam Overlook, Gef Pago renovation, Tumon redevelopment and flood control. After these projects, there would be about \$2M and what was proposed was to do various village site improvements. There would be about \$100K per District. It is still in the works.
- Mayor Frankie Salas invited all Friday, July 14 at 1 p.m. to the Asan Landing Memorial Ceremony at the Asan Memorial Beach Park.
- Mayor Kevin Susuico announced the first annual Santa Rosa fiesta on August 26-27 from 12 to 10 pm. The venue would be across the street from the church where the Agat Senior Center is and they would have a block-style setup and have sports groups come out for competitions. Vendor slots are available if anyone is interested. Mass is at 4 pm on August 26.
- ED stated that mayors need to set up signs at public areas in their villages that there is no vaping allowed.
- Today's luncheon hosted by **Dededo Mayor's Office**

XII. ADJOURNMENT

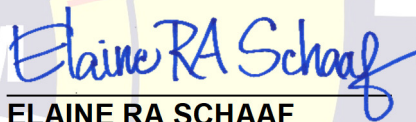
Mayor Jessy Gogue motioned to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Mayor Louise Rivera. *President* thanked Council members and adjourned the meeting at 12:11 a.m.

Attested by:

Transcribed by:



MAYOR DORIS F. LUJAN
Council Executive Secretary
16th Mayors' Council of Guam



ELAINE RA SCHAAF
Transcriber
MCOG – Administration



ATTENDANCE SHEET

Date: Wednesday, July 5, 2017

Time: 10:00 a.m.

9:00-11:00am
A-12:11pm

Type of Meeting: Regular

Special

Officers

PLACE OF MEETING: **MCOG Conference Room**

MAYORS / VICE MAYORS	DISTRICT	CONTACT NOS.	SIGNATURE
ALIG, Jesse L.G.	Piti	472-1232/3	
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BENAVENTE, Frank A. Benavente	Dededo	632-5203/5019-637-9014	<i>[Signature]</i>
BLAS, Jesse M.	Yona	789-4798/0012/1525/6	<i>[Signature]</i>
BLAS, June U.	Barrigada	734-3859/25/34/36	<i>[Signature]</i>
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CRUZ, John A.	Hagatna	477-8045/47	
DUENAS, Thomas J.	Mangilao	734-2163/5731	
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RIVERA, Louise C.	Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon	646-5211/8646	<i>[Signature]</i>
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OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES	DISTRICT	SIGNATURE	
GUESTS	AGENCY/ORGANIZATION	CONTACT NO.	
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