

HB

269

"An Act expanding the Battery Point State Recreation Area; and providing for an effective date."

COMMITTEE REPORT

3/6/75

HOUSE

Mr. Speaker:

Date 3-20-75

The Committee on Resources has had HB 269

under consideration. A Majority of the members of the Committee

recommends it DO PASS

recommends it DO NOT PASS

recommends it DO PASS WITH ATTACHED AMENDMENT(S)

recommends it BE REPLACED WITH CS FOR HB 269 AND THAT

CS FOR HB 269 DO PASS

"and" recommends it BE REFERRED TO THE _____

COMMITTEE

reports it back WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

"other"

Members signing the Majority report:

Nels A. Anderson, Jr. _____
Thomas Hershberger _____
Alvin St. Pierre _____

Members NOT concurring in the Majority report:

_____ recommends:

_____ recommends:

_____ recommends:

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Nels A. Anderson, Jr. Chairman



CITY OF HAINES

PHONE 766-2571 — POST OFFICE BOX 239 — HAINES, ALASKA

March 19, 1975

Mr. Guy Van Doren
Legislative Assistant
State Capitol Building
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Mr. Van Doren:

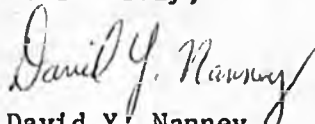
In reference to our telephone conference today and your request for clarification of City and Borough Council preferences for naming the State Park development on the Chilkat Peninsula south of Haines

Please be advised that the primary intent was that the name of the development on the peninsula be called "Chilkat State Park."

Other contending names were: "Battery Point State Park," and "Battery Point Recreation Area" (as per the original proposal). The use of the Battery Point name is not distinctive but seemed to State Parks personnel to eliminate confusion between the proposed Park and the overall proposed "Chilkat Recreation District," which would encompass all State parks and recreation development Borough-wide.

Please keep us informed of the progress of your work, especially in the event you require additional information to finalize the text of the bill. Mr. Chuck Horner of Haines assisted State Parks with recent re-evaluation of their development concepts in the Haines Area, and he will be contracted to assist with research and planning leading to finalization of the State Park development program. He would be an excellent source of additional information.

Yours truly,



David Y. Nanney
Administration & Planning Officer

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March 12, 1975

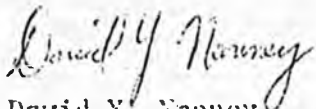
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Copies of this Resolution shall be sent to the direct political representatives of the Haines Borough in the State government, the State Division of Parks, and the Office of the Governor.

DATED: March 4, 1975

HAINES BOROUGH

BY: Raymond R. Menaker
RAYMOND MENAKER, MAYOR

ATTEST: Gene B. Smith
CLERK

SEAL

CITY OF HAINES

PHONE 766-2571 — POST OFFICE BOX 228 — HAINES, ALASKA 99824

RESOLUTION NO. 31075

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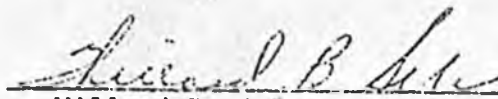
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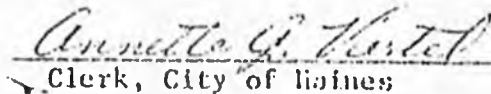
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Willard B. Seie, Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, ANNETTE G. VIERTTEL, being the duly appointed and acting City Clerk of the City of Haines, Alaska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Common Council of the City of Haines on the 10th day of March, 1975. Said resolution was adopted at a meeting which was properly called and held.



Clerk, City of Haines

HAINES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Haines, Alaska 99827

NORTHERN GATEWAY TO THE ALASKA MARINE HIGHWAY
HOME OF THE FAMOUS CHILKAT DANCERS

March 18, 1975

Ms. Kay Torzy, Planner
Division of Parks
Dept. of Natural Resources
323 E. 4th St
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Dear Ms. Torzy:

The Haines Chamber of Commerce requests a visit from you for a joint meeting with the Haines City Council, the Haines Borough and members of the Chamber of Commerce to provide us with the advantages offered by BOR and the development of the Haines area as to parks, recreation areas and trails.

Mr. Neal Johansen and Hilton Wolf have visited us several times and we hope to see them back in support of the HB to establish a recreation area in the Haines Borough. We certainly want to thank the Division for supporting our views and desires.

We believe a visit from you would be a great help. Please advise if this is possible. We have an advisory committee set up to aid the Division of Parks, the makeup of which is the undersigned Charles Horner, Elisabeth Hakkinen (Historian), Paul Swift, an outdoorsman. We are also seeking a Tlinget Indian person to join the committee, or possibly a High School senior. Mr. Horner is a very knowledgeable person in trails and camping activities, both as a civic leader and as a professional in the field of guided tours et al.

May we hear from you on the matter?

Sincerely,

HAINES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Carl W. Heinmiller, Chairman
Resources Committee

cc: Larry Talbert, Gov. Office
Bob Weeden, State Planning
Hilton Wolf, Div of Parks,
Juneau

Chuck Horner
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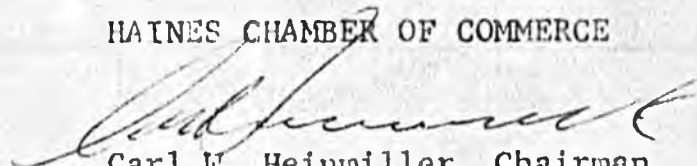
In action taken by the Haines Chamber of Commerce the City and Borough of Haines and the Haines Camp of the Alaska Native Brotherhood and Sisterhood, it is desired that the name for the proposed recreation area be "Chilkat State Park". We definitely desire the use of the name "Chilkat" and want "Park" status.

All the proposed boundaries exclude any private property owners and/or fishing camp sites, of which there is only one at the very southern end of the proposed park. Access to the southern expansion area will go through private property, but again, the State is assured of free access.

We appreciate your consideration of this action

Sincerely, :

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ROBERT W. HIATT
PRESIDENT



UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
FAIRBANKS, ALASKA 99701

March 19, 1975

The Honorable Nels A. Anderson, Jr.
Chairman, House Resources Committee
State of Alaska
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Representative Anderson: ^{Nels}

Reference is made to House Bill 269, an act expanding the Battery Point State Recreation Area.

The land area described by the above act includes 480 acres of University of Alaska Trust land. If this act is to pass, we would like to see provisions included for the compensation for the land to be paid into our permanent trust fund. ~~The present act as written does not respond to this~~ problem. Another alternative that might be tried would be the inclusion of instructions to the Division of Lands of the Department of Natural Resources to trade the University for a like acreage in some other area where we could derive some income in future years.

Should there be a hearing on this matter, we would be pleased to present testimony.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Robert W. Hiatt.

Robert W. Hiatt
President

RWH:dm

cc: Al George
Director, Land Management, U of Alaska

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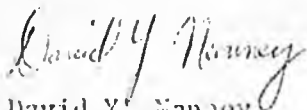
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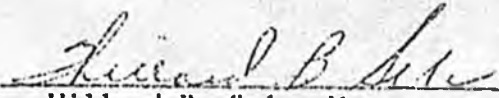
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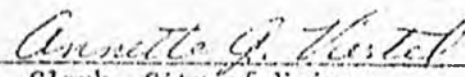
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