

ABBOTT LOOP COMMUNITY COUNCIL

August 25, 2016 Minutes

Meeting called to order by President Bruce Roberts at 6:30pm

Board members present: Bruce Roberts, Patti Higgins, Pat O'Hara, Janice Park

Minutes from July 2016 approved with the revision of adding the DOT report.

Treasurer's Report: \$1911 in the back and \$90 cash.

Senator Meyer's Office: Aide Christine Marasigan was present for questions.

Representative Millett's Office: Aide Jeff Turner was present for any questions.

Anchorage School Board: ASB had their first board meeting with the new superintendent Dana Parimo. A lot of data is to be released. For example, 52% of Alaska Natives have at least 1 F, academic results overall have been flat.

Trailside Elementary is a top performer. Suspensions – 1 out of 4 students were suspended last year. Abbott Loop Elementary scores have improved recently under new principal. Pat will bring the test scores for all the Abbott Loop schools to the next meeting.

Candidates

Pat Higgins is running for State House in our area and spoke about his campaign.

Roads and Project Jeff Turner will do reporting.

DOT Jason Baxley reports they will pave the 3rd and 4th week of September. Intersection will be paved this weekend. There will be no landscaping. The Feds pay for 90% of the work. There are a lot of moose killed along this stretch and we need better visibility.

New Business items: There were no comments on any of the notices.

Hillside Natural Wellness gave a presentation. They have a board of investors including two wellness doctors. They will break ground Oct 1 on a new building just behind the Carrs on Toloff. The old building will be torn down. They will have security, a 6 ft fence, and cameras. They will grow, cultivate, manufacture, and sell marijuana. They will be following a medical model. HNW would like to hear if there are any concerns and will be attending the meetings. Privacy and security was expressed by the owner of the lot to the east of the site. ALCC members voiced concerns that the clientele attracted might also bring crime and vandalism. There will be no on-site consumption. Licenses are up for renewal every year. They will be using the well water. Won't discharge a lot of toxic waste water. They are 1000 ft from a preschool – 500 ft is the minimum. There will be a lounge area. There is a locked door and ID is checked before up to 5 clients are admitted to the retail store where they can speak to the budtenders.

General Comments: A neighbor bordering the construction at Cathedral is incensed by the noise and parking in front of her house and sometime blocking her driveway.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:53pm