

*SACC Minutes*      *South Addition Community Council Minutes, February 16, 2017*

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 7:02 by Jeff Manfull, SACC Vice President. The agenda was approved as presented.

Minutes of the January 19, 2017 meeting were approved with one correction made to enter the correct date.

Reports:

**President's Report –**

Jeff reported that the Police Department is conducting a second survey regarding public safety. Please find the link on Nextdoor – it will be up until February 28.

Jeff reported Municipal Ordinance 2017-0039, related to mixed use developments is being considered by the Assembly. A public hearing is scheduled for March 21, 2017.

Jeff reported the Planning and Zoning Commission is conducting a public hearing on March 6, 2017 at 6:30 PM at the Loussac Library for discussing the condominium development proposed for the Ship Creek area, near the Alaska Railroad.

**Treasurer's Report**

Cathleen Hahn reported our bank balance remains at \$3,436 and reminded folks that annual dues of \$5 are accepted, although strictly voluntary.

**Federation of Community Councils – no report**

**Police/Fire Department Reports –**

The Captain from Fire Station 1 was in attendance and urged us keep streets and hydrants as clear and accessible as possible. The Captain noted that potential new hires are being tested – the goal is 22 new hires and that a new ambulance (funded in last year's bond issue) is expected soon. The Captain entertained questions:

1. One resident noted the streets in Bootleggers Cove are really socked in with snow and wondered what could be done about it to assure access for emergency vehicles. The Captain stated in the event of emergency his crew would somehow be responsive. He did say the resident could call Street Maintenance and share concerns.
2. One resident wanted to know if 'shed fires' in the neighborhood last fall were ever investigated to learn if there was a common cause. The Captain did not know.
3. One resident questioned whether there was, in fact, a noticeable increase in fires in the community. The Captain answered fires historically seem to run in cycles.

4. One resident wanted to know if the Emergency Responders were administering the Narcon medication any differently. The Captain said there has been no change in protocol regarding this medication.
5. One resident wanted a little more perspective regarding the new hires. The Captain elaborated to say that although the goal is 22 new hires, this will actually mean only a net increase of 3 or 4 employees, given normal attrition.
6. One resident asked about the neighborhood's fire rating. The Captain said he thought the rating was 1 or 2, and had been revised (to a higher rating) within the past year.
7. The Captain closed the discussion by saying a new fire truck – with ladders- is on the way to Anchorage and the Captain thought it would provide improved access on our streets. In service date should be early summer.

There was no representative from the Police Department.

### **Assemblyman Flynn's Report**

Joshua Spring reported on behalf of Assemblyman Flynn. He reminded us that the Municipal election is April 4. Joshua also mentioned there will be bonds issues included on the April 4<sup>th</sup> ballot and he thought representatives advocating those bond issues would attend our March meeting, and if we don't hear from these folks, we should contact Assemblyman Flynn who could help us arrange the presentation.

**Legislative**– no reports. (A resident pointed out we might have more responsive Legislative Reports if we changed our meeting date, as we apparently conflict with other Community Councils also represented by Representative Gara and Senator Begich.)

### Old Business:

#### **Neighborhood Plan Update**, by Hans Thompson

Hans reported 5 subcommittees (Character, Safety, Walkability, Traffic and New Development) are meeting to develop input into the Neighborhood Plan. Input is still welcome from all residents. There is an email for communications – [southadditionplan@gmail.com](mailto:southadditionplan@gmail.com). There will be another planning meeting for all interested persons (date not yet set).

### New Business:

**Candidates Forum** – Christopher Constant and Chris Cox are two candidates running for the Assembly Seat representing South Addition. They each shared their background and vision regarding local government. They answered questions from the audience. The election is April 4, 2017. Our incumbent Assembly person has termed out.

### Community Comments:

1. Lucy Quinn of the Library Advisory Board reported that the Library Foundation is in the preliminary stages of planning a downtown library

branch, as apparently a bequest has been received for this purpose. The Library Foundation is seeking input.

2. Jeff Manfull explained our voting cycle and encouraged residents to run for the leadership positions of SACC.
3. One resident reminded the group of the monthly neighborhood dinner – first Wednesday, 6 PM at the Pub House. (strictly a social event)

**Next Meeting of the Executive Board** (which is open to the public) – March 2, 7pm, Pioneer Home

**Next General Meeting** – March 16, 2017, 7pm, Inlet View Library

Adjournment – 8:30 pm