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Northeast Community Council

Minutes – May 18, 2017

Call to Order: 7:05 PM

Pledge of Allegiance:

Introduction of the Board:

Board Members Present: Rick Irwin, Selina Metoyer, Stu Grenier, David Ulmer, Kristi Wood, John Ziv, John Laux and Kevin Smestad

Board Members Not Present: Carla McConnell

Approval of May Meeting Agenda: John Ziv made a motion to approve the agenda and Dave Ulmer seconded, it passed

Treasure's Report: Stu Grenier reported our current balance is \$1,367.50 in our account.

Executive Board Report: Rick Irwin said we set the agenda, we were going to set the new board members, but we didn't feel that there was enough board members to decide the new board and we will do it at the next.

Legislative Reports:

Senator Bill Wielechowski, said we are in the special session. He was in town due to the event on Friday for the Muldoon Town Square Park (Chatsnu Muldoon Park). Stu said that the sidewalks are not being swept, what is happening? Mr. Wielechowski said they will call. Gabrielle LeDoux said they had already called. Ms. LeDoux's staffer Lisa had spoken with them and they were supposed to be out and get it done.

Senator Giessel: was not there

Representative Gabrielle LeDoux, said that they are working on the budget and they are working getting more revenue by adding taxes.

Representative Ivy Spohnolz, said that the House and the Senate have two different plans. The House plan has two items, if you make less than \$80,000 will come out ahead with the House plan versus the Senate plan and the second plan is that the plan should be sustainable and this plan will allow us to not worry about Oil Revenue.

Representative Lance Pruitt, was not there

Assembly Reports:

Assembly Person Amy Demboski was not there.

Assembly Person Forrest Dunbar, said they passed an amendment to Title 21. Mr. Dunbar said they got numbers in regards to Homelessness. There was a 30% drop in sheltered people from 2014 to 2017. They have been working on zoning on the fuel tanks at the Port of the Anchorage. There were talks to combine ML&P and Chugach Electric to lower rates for rate payers. Mr. Dunbar said that the 100x100 lot will have a turn-out off the street and put a coffee cart. Please email your issues to Mr. Dunbar.

Assembly Person Pete Petersen, was late. The fire department has used the life saving devices 34 times for heroin. This has lead to the small break-ins for not only Anchorage, but throughout the country.

Assembly Person Fred Dyson was not there.

Special Assistant to the Mayor: was not there

Community Concerns/Community Activities Report(s): Stu said that they went out and picked up around the Parks; he mentioned that there was a lot of homelessness out of there. .

Business:

1. The Naming Committee is presenting their resolution for the name our new Park, "Chantsnu in Muldoon": Kristi Wood presented. Tonight two names are being offered up. Ms. Wood had a yes/no vote for "Chantsnu in Muldoon" an official name from the Naming Committee or "Chantsnu Muldoon Park" which has come from the Parks Committee.

Advisory Vote for the "Chantsnu in Muldoon" Vote: Yes 4, No 5, Abstain 2 – Fails

Advisory Vote for the "Chantsnu Muldoon Park: Vote: Yes 7, No 5, Abstain 2 - Passes

The counts will be forwarded to the Parks Department

2. Discussion on proposed changes to the bus system: Mr. Collin Hodges presenting. Mr. Hodges said that they felt it was time to make changes to the bus system. Mr. Hodges said that increase level services, more frequent services and reduced areas. The idea is cover more areas where people do ride the bus. Mr. Hodges went over a few of the big streets in the Northeast Community Council area and where they will be running. There will be a few bus number changes.
3. Resolution to approve the CIP List Northeast Community Council: Mr. Kevin Smestad presenting. Mr. Smestad went over the CIP List and went over the three meetings he had and the items that were added.

Committee Resolution: To put forth the 2018 CIP List for the Northeast Community Council
For 12 – Against 0 – Abstaining 0

4. Move to Amend is requesting our consideration for their resolution: Ms. Beverly Churchill presenting. This is a grass roots organization. It is one of many organizations that states that Corporations should not have constitutional rights. The Corporations can give a lot of money to elected officials and let their employees know how they should vote. They have asked about the Northeast Community Council to pass a resolution.

Kristi Wood made a motion for the read resolution and Dave Ulmer seconded it. John Laux made a motion to table and Kevin Smestad seconded it. 8 Yes, 1 No, 1 Abstaining. It will be abstained until the next meeting in June.

5. Discussion on Liquor Licenses, are there any questions or comments: Mr. Stu Grenier presenting. Is there anyone have problems with the items listed as a. and b.? There was none.
 - a. Samurai Sushi LL # 4529
 - b. Ding How Restaurant LL #4123
6. Discussion on gates in the Northeast Community Council: Mr. Pete Petersen presenting. The man who wants this has not gotten all of his signatures and was not there. Mr. Petersen said that they need to get your neighbors that would want to get the gates. Who would open it, is what Kristi Wood asked? Mr. Petersen said that he was going to ask Aaron, Ms. Wood said that she discussed with Aaron about who would do something like that. Mr. Petersen is following up to get how to do this, since he asked before.

Approval of Feb., March and April Meeting Minutes: Could not hear made a motion to approve the agenda and could not hear who seconded, it passed

Community Reports:

Alcohol Committee: Stu Grenier said there is nothing.

Bylaw Committee: there is nothing.

CIP Committee: Kevin Smestad said there is nothing else

Parks Committee: Kristi Wood said they have their fundraiser tomorrow night. May 30th Dine and Donate at Texas Road House.

Picnic Committee: Kevin Smestad said we will be getting things rolling off in June.

Trails Committee: David Ulmer said there is nothing

Marijuana Committee: John Laux said there is nothing.

Federation of Community Councils: Bob Reupke said the Anchorage Police Officers will be going over the Panhandlers. Mr. Reupke brought some fliers that were given at the FCC meeting for the Northeast Community Council to view.

Community Patrol: Kevin Smestad said there is a spike in crime to break into cars, homes and mailboxes. There are a few items that the Community Patrol volunteers do during each year and we have a few coming up. Let Kevin know if you want to help.

The meeting adjourned with a unanimous approval at 9:07 pm.