

MINUTES: ABBOTT LOOP COMMUNITY COUNCIL

September 28, 2017

Meeting called to order by President Bruce Roberts at 6:34 pm at Abbott Loop. 83 people were in attendance.

Officers and Board members present: Bruce Roberts, Patti Higgins, Michael Moeglein, Janice Park, Pat O'Hara, Pixie Siebe, Faith Alexander, Susan Soule, Amanda Hesser

Minutes from August 31, 2017 were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Beginning bank balance of \$1,909.30; expenditures of \$152 for picnic shelter rental leaving a balance of \$1757.30. From petty cash of \$150 we purchased food for the picnic \$139 and received \$36.16 in donations leaving a balance of cash on hand \$47.16.

Representative Charisse Millett: There was a town hall meeting about crime on Monday at Abbott Loop Elementary. Some want to repair SB91 and Rep. Millett would like it repealed. There will be a special session on October 23rd in Juneau. Han Rodrick is her aide. The FBI reports an uptick in crime. Crime map is on muni.org

Senator Kevin Meyer: SB54 could fix the problem in SB91. The Senate sent fixes to the House three times but the House took no action. The Senate doesn't support a payroll tax.

Representative Birch: He was at the Monday Town Hall. He has requested that the next special session be held in Anchorage. AFN will be in Anchorage near the end of the month. Representative Birch has filed for Senator Meyer's seat.

Assemblyman Traini: He sees crime up across the community. There is a 10 cent a gallon gas tax will be introduced on 10/24 which would offset property taxes

Assembly member Felix Rivera: Oct 10th there is a Public Hearing on Assembly comments to the State regarding Marijuana. 10/27 is the deadline for public comments. Mold ordinance by Eric Croft is on 10/10/17. There is an ordinance to change from 15 to 10 days to abate homeless camps.

Assembly member John Weddleton: Wanted people in the hotel industry to look at the mold questions. Crime meeting showed people were frustrated. A lot of things are causing increase in crime: we are rebuilding our police force, we are using housing to get people off the streets, etc – we need a combination of solutions to get reduce crime.

Assembly member Suzanne LaFrance: Discussed the Vote by Mail for the April elections.

Copies of all documents can be found at:

<http://www.muni.org/Residents/Pages/MuniMeetings.aspx>

ASB member Dave Donley: ASD does a lot of testing. ASB asked the Superintendent to cut testing and add teaching. Abbott Loop Elementary is out of code and is operating under a waiver. Hundreds of people came to testify about moving the bus barn to Muldoon. Class sizes are a lot higher. Less dollars and higher inflation will mean larger class sizes. He would like to see the State-wide funding formula change. Anchorage would get \$30 million more if the funding were fair. \$20 million cut represented 99 teachers lost.

FCC Bruce Roberts: New police chief. R3 is mixed use; R3A would allow mixed use with residential and commercial together. Onsite consumption of marijuana is under discussion.

Roads and Projects – Bruce Roberts: Dowling to Dimond: Seward Hwy is close to being completely paved. Other projects are on track.

Parks and Trails Committee – Faith Alexander – Whisper Faith Kovack playground and dog park plans are underway. We have the \$250,000 bond and the \$13,000 challenge grant. Because Lore is going to carry a lot more traffic the playground equipment will be moved farther from the road. The dog park will be fenced. There will be a small fence between the playground and Lore Road.

P & Z Committee – Cade Incho: There is an ordinance modifying definitions and standards for ADU (Accessory Dwelling Units aka Mother-in-Law).

There are actions regarding

1. *Cameron & 88th*
2. *O'Malley to Dimond*
3. *Draft re R3A mixed use*
4. *Short plat Bush subdivision*
5. *Roof of green houses to exceed roof.*

Cannibus Committee- Amanda Hesser:

1. *ECF Ventures*
2. *YMY Investment Hollywood 907*
3. *Manufacturing facility for #2*
4. *Draft of on-site consumption regs*
5. *Marijuana Control Board*

2017-2018 ELECTIONS:

OFFICERS

President: Bruce Roberts

Vice-President: Shiela Cernich

Secretary: Patti Higgins

Treasurer: Josh Revak

BOARD MEMBERS

1. *Faith Alexander*
2. *Susan Soule*
3. *Amanda Hesser*
4. *Calvin Schrage*
5. *Vasilios (Akis) Gialopsos*
6. *Misty Steed*
7. *Kari Nore*
8. *Jeff Foster*
9. *Jamie Donley*

Officers authorized to the Abbott Loop Community Council Alaska USA FCU account are President Bruce Roberts and Treasurer Josh Revak.

New Business

ACF Ventures: Change of ownership. This is at 2429 E 88th by TNT Auto Body. Project has already been approved. Amanda Hesser moved and Calvin Schrage seconded that ALCC approves the Memorandum of Agreement. Motion carries 54 yes/0 no.

Tim Myland to answer traffic concerns: Lore Rd will carry more traffic. If you have any new traffic concerns please call him at 343-8470. Four speed bump projects are on hold while negotiations with the Fire Department continue. E 66th, Cathedral, Meadow, and E 84th.

Lore Road: Faith Alexander reports that Cherrywood area is upset over a child hit by a taxi and they want traffic calming. Response is that we would have to push that on the CIP. We could go to the State and say you owe us mitigation because of the new underpass at Lore and Seward Hwy. We need a permanent speed sign at cost of \$50,000. A signal light is \$1 million.

Announcements – None

Next meeting will be Thursday, October 26, 2017 at Abbott Loop Elementary from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm.