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# TURNAGAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Council Meeting | November 2, 2017 | 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

West High / Romig CTE, Student Center | 1700 Hillcrest Drive

Chaired by Cathy Gleason, TCC Vice President & Acting President

## WELCOME & APPROVE AGENDA, MINUTES

- The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. About 42 people (members and guests) attended, including AFD staff from Fire Station 5 and high school students in Government class.
- The November agenda was reviewed:
  - **Motion by Sandy Rabinowitch to approve the agenda. Second by Joan McKinnon.**
  - **Vote on motion: all yes, 0 no. Agenda approved.**
- The October meeting minutes were available for review and approval.
  - **Motion by Danielle Bailey to approve the previous meeting's minutes. Second by Anna Brawley.**
  - **Vote on motion: all yes, 0 no. Minutes approved.**
- Announcements: *See Attachments flyer available as a handout in the meeting and on the TCC website.*
  - AMATS (Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions) is holding public workshops about transportation and the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at the Dena'ina Center downtown.
  - There is a Planning and Zoning Commission meeting on Monday, November 6, including a public hearing about the proposed changes to the Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) ordinance.

## LEGISLATIVE REPORT | REP. MATT CLAMAN, SEN. MIA COSTELLO

- **Sen. Mia Costello**
  - Staff member Dakota Orm was available in the meeting and shared that Sen. Costello continues to be concerned about public safety.
- **Rep. Matt Claman**
  - Staff member Lizzie Cubitz shared that Rep. Claman was not available, he is current in Juneau in a public hearing about SB 54, which was previously in the House Judiciary Committee which he chairs.
- **Rep. Harriet Drummond**
  - Staff member Patrick Fitzgerald shared that Rep. Drummond is also in Juneau, following SB 54 as well.
  - Johnson's Tire Service in Midtown on Denali St. suddenly closed yesterday, and there is a sign stating that it is closed now. There is not much information currently, but she would like to know if anyone does have information, especially for people whose tires are stored there.
- **Questions and Comments**
  - *Cathy Gleason asked how the session is going in Juneau so far?* Lizzie shared that things are moving slowly, Rep. Claman hoped that the session would be more productive so far and that they would be able to pass criminal justice reforms in SB 54. He is hoping that the House can finish this discussion and then move on to discussing revenue options. However, there have only been a few hearings on the Governor's revenue bill (proposing a payroll tax) in House Finance so far. Patrick shared that Rep. Drummond is also supportive of SB 54 and is hoping for discussion about the revenue bill, and that the Legislature can come to agreement.
  - *Tim Steele asked whether the representatives are hopeful about making progress on the revenue discussion, a major concern of the Municipality?* The crime and public safety bill is being dealt with first, but there is still a lot of disagreement about whether and how Alaska should increase revenue, so it remains to be seen how the rest of the session will go.

- *Danielle Bailey commented that she reviewed Sen. Costello's opinion piece on public safety and found many inaccuracies and misrepresentation of data in the report that was being referenced. She felt that the piece was reckless and unhelpful to the conversation, and does not appreciate an elected official misusing data in that way. She has contacted the Senator's office directly but wanted to share her strong concerns about this matter as well. Dakota shared that she cannot speak for the Senator, but will relay those concerns and follow up with Danielle directly.*
- *Dan Gleason commented that he supports SB 91, including the intent of the law that other resources like treatment, services to reduce recidivism, etc. would be put in place to be implemented at the same time as reforms were made to the judicial and corrections system. This was an important part of the bill that was not supported by the Senate when approving the FY18 budget, and he does not feel this was an appropriate decision. He would like to know what the plan is now to address this. Lizzie shared that the original intent of SB 91 was to shift state resources away from paying for corrections and into other services. This has been done in part, but not enough.*
- *Tim Steele commented that he feels that it is an important timing issue, the resources for treatment should have been put in place earlier, to help people get treatment or support before release rather than applying it later. He commented that the Muni is now handling enforcement on the Seward Highway on Turnagain Arm, and is also covering snow plowing on state roads in the Muni, all of these things are hard for the Municipality to pay for.*

## BRIEF REPORT FROM FIRE STATION 5

- Capt. Jason Dolph shared that he and his colleagues are part of Fire Station 5 in Spenard, at Spenard and McRae, 2207 McRae. Phone: (907) 267-5005.
- Everyone is welcome to visit the station, they are happy to show visitors around and share what they do. There is always coffee brewed, and they would love to talk with neighbors!
- There is a new senior captain at Station 5, Ryan Staten, replacing the previous leader who recently retired. He would like his staff to attend every community council meeting, and they plan to attend as much as possible, unless there is an emergency they need to respond to.
- He reminded everyone to service your chimney annually, check your furnace or heater serviced by a licensed technician, and check carbon monoxide detectors in homes including batteries. He recommends changing batteries at least once a year, such as on your birthday, or twice a year during the beginning and end of daylight savings time. Additionally, most devices have a 5 to 7 year shelf life, you can check the age of the device by its manufacture date on the back.
- AFD will have a new academy to fill existing vacant positions, they have 24 new hires who will be going through training in the coming weeks.
- The AFD staff person, Ben Schultz, who fell from a piece of equipment earlier this year has been in a coma and struggling to recover from his injuries, but has recently awoken from the coma and is doing better, visiting with his family, and appreciates the outpouring of support.
- ***Questions and Comments***
  - *Sandy Rabinowitch asked about the life span of detectors: does this apply to battery powered and electric devices with battery backup? Yes, this is true for all devices, they all have a shelf life regardless of how they get power. Check the manufacture date and consider replacing old devices, regardless of what method of power they use, all have some form of battery even if they are plugged into the wall normally.*
  - *Sandy also asked whether neighbors should dig out fire hydrants in order to make them accessible after a heavy snowfall? Jason shared that AWWU owns and maintains these*

hydrants, but cannot necessarily maintain them quickly during the winter. They are happy to have neighbors clear the hydrants. Pat Redmond commented that AWWU has an adopt-a-hydrant program, this may be of interest as well. Neighbors can also paint hydrants with AWWU's permission, under the adoption program.

- *Dan Gleason asked about a truck on Bridle Lane that was on fire, he complimented AFD on their very short response time (about 6 minutes), and their ability to put out the fire before the fire had reached the gas tank, a risk of explosion. He thanked AFD staff for their work. Jason appreciated the compliment, and noted that they aim for a 6-minute response time.*
- *Dan also commented that while he is aware that AFD does not generally favor speed humps or any traffic calming measures that slow down emergency vehicles, but that the new speed cushions are a better solution for cars and fire trucks. Jason commented that the speed cushions are better solutions, there are two installed now at 1140 Airport Heights Drive as a test site, if anyone is interested in checking them out. So far, they are effective at slowing passenger vehicle traffic while not impeding emergency vehicles, since they are spaced widely enough apart that a typical emergency vehicle can drive through the gaps.*

## EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

- Check Turnagain CC's presence on Facebook and NextDoor! Join the Facebook group "Turnagain Community Forum" or watch for posts to Turnagain North and South neighborhoods on NextDoor.
- If you have not already done so, sign up for e-mail updates from TCC and other community councils. There was a flyer available at the meeting providing instructions on how to sign up.
- **Federation of Community Councils:** Updates from the October FCC meeting, Gloria Manni attended on behalf of TCC:
  - Assembly member Dick Traini shared some information about proposed local taxes, including a proposed gasoline tax and alcohol tax.
  - The Muni has been improving systems to document and clean up homeless camps, but it is a long process and the Muni has limited resources. They are talking about a fund to supplement resources available, to put more staff and resources toward this effort.
  - Anchorage School District shared that because of budget cuts, class sizes have been larger this school year. The funding formula for education was established 20 years ago, the School Board is looking at ways to update this to be able to fund schools better. ASD is also working with People Mover to ensure students can still use buses to get to school with the new routes.
  - The upcoming 2018 bonds (part of the ballot for the April 2018 election) proposed will be for maintenance only rather than new construction projects, and more debt will be retired than would be added, so there would not be a tax increase associated with the bond proposals.
  - Representatives from the Alaska Marijuana Industry Association gave a presentation, including about the proposed onsite consumption regulations, following a presentation to FCC in October by representatives from American Cancer Society and American Lung Association.
- **Proposed Code Amendment for Rooftop Greenhouses:** Anna shared that the TCC board reviewed a proposed ordinance change allowing for up to 10 feet more in maximum building height specifically for rooftop greenhouses, with rules about not blocking neighbors' sun exposure. The rules apply primarily to commercial and industrial areas, as well as R-3 and R-4 residential zones (higher density, with more homes per acre allowed and somewhat higher building heights). The board proposes no action or comment on this proposal, but can share it with anyone interested.
- **West High/Romig Middle/TCC Stadium MOU:** Sandy Rabinowitch shared that the TCC Board is working with the principals of West High and Romig Middle to update a memorandum of understanding (MOU) for parking agreements at the schools, in order to prevent spillover impacts of parking during large events in surrounding neighborhoods. The group is working to develop a draft of the updated MOU and will bring it back to the Council for discussion when it is ready. So far there do

not appear to be major changes needed to the current agreement, since the general feedback from neighbors in the area was that they have not experienced significant parking issues.

- **Assembly Action on Draft State Regulations for Marijuana Onsite Consumption:** Anna shared that the Assembly voted to approve their comments on the state's proposed regulation for onsite marijuana consumption—the comments were not in support or opposed to the proposal, but focused on language that the Assembly felt was vague or would cause future issues in Anchorage action on the regulation would be done by the Marijuana Control Board, and if approved then Anchorage would have the option potentially to pass an ordinance about it as well, including potentially more restrictions on the practice than the state regulation has. The MCB will meet in November to discuss the proposal.
- **Lyn Ary Memorial Garden:** See previous meeting minutes for details. The Council has discussed adopting the garden, which involves regular maintenance and caretaking of that area, but has not heard significant interest by Council. If you live in the area and would like to volunteer to maintain this garden, please consider joining the committee!
- **Officers Report** | No additional reports.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

No committee reports this month.

## ASSEMBLY REPORT | MEMBERS ERIC CROFT, TIM STEELE

- **Marijuana Onsite Consumption:** Tim shared further background on this issue, the Assembly has heard a variety of complaints from tourists about the lack of areas available to use marijuana, since it is legal here but it cannot be used outside or on public property or in hotel rooms. The proposal is intended to provide a safe and regulated place for people to use the product, and addressing health and safety concerns such as ventilation, protecting workers, and controlling odor.
- **Municipal Budget:** The Assembly has been working to resolve any remaining 2017 budget issues, and working on a budget for 2018.
- **Priority Projects:** Tim is interested in working on some project priorities, including Lois Drive in Spenard, this is a priority of Spenard Community Council, with no sidewalks and fast traffic. Parents with kids at Aquarian Charter School are concerned about safe routes to schools. Design funding would be put in the 2018 Planning budget, with tentative construction in 2020, he would like to move this up further for construction in 2019 if possible.

Additionally, there is a lack of access from Northern Lights to West High and Romig, there is one pathway that connects to Dempsey Ice Arena but it does not connect through and there are barriers to get from one to the other. He would like to see a sidewalk connecting the rest of the way.

He is also concerned about the proposal to widen West Northern Lights near the Airport, between Nathaniel Ct. and Postmark Drive, he will continue to work on that.

The Assembly continues to work on the issue of homeless camps in public green spaces, and reduce the required notice time to clean up camps. He is compassionate for people who are homeless, but is concerned about the safety issues, fire hazards, and undesired uses of public lands and parks.

- **Questions and Comments**
  - *A member asked whether the Assembly has considered the idea of a tent city, location for people to live?* This could be an option, but other cities have done this and found that there are still enforcement and safety issues, as well as sanitation and the need to clean regularly or otherwise handle the impacts of many people living in one place.
  - *Anna Brawley asked about the alcohol tax proposed by Dick Traini, mentioned in the paper yesterday?* Tim noted the Assembly is introducing this Tuesday, but needs to discuss it further. With less state revenue, the Muni has to find ways to pay for things, they are considering the gasoline tax and alcohol tax as options, and may do either or both.
  - *A member asked about the status of the SAP project—he saw that there is a \$7 to \$8 million budget line item for the coming year, is that for continuing to pay for rollout or for maintenance of the system?* Tim was not sure about the specifics, but he believes that there

will be some continued maintenance costs for the system over time. However, most of the implementation expense has already been incurred for putting the system in place.

## AIRPORT REPORT | JOHN JOHANSEN

- See airport updates on the handout provided at the meeting or online at: [www.anchorageairport.com](http://www.anchorageairport.com)
- **Donated Airplane:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has donated to the Aviation Museum a De Havilland Beaver craft, altered to include a turbine engine. It will hang in the Airport concourse on display in the near future.
- **Wings for Autism:** This event will be held November 11, 4:30 – 8:00 p.m. It helps people with autism get comfortable going through security screening, boarding an airplane, and other common travel activities to help them prepare for future travel.
- John Parrott retired, his last day was November 1. The Airport will be seeking a new Airport Manager, and will be starting a search. If you have recommendations, send them to the governor's office! Cathy Gleason commented that while the reasons for his dismissal were not shared publicly, she spoke highly of TCC's experience working with John Parrott and are sad to see him go. Community Council members greatly appreciated his work.
- **Questions and Comments**
  - *Ralph Guditz asked about the "muck" and organic matter in Lake Hood, he is concerned about the aesthetic qualities and how this affects tourism. They are aware of the issue, will be doing water quality studies. It is organic material and some glycol.*
  - *Sandy Rabinowitch complimented John and the Airport for placing rocks near the Coastal Trail to prevent vehicles from driving onto the trail. He appreciated the Airport's responsiveness, and will continue to monitor whether they are effective during the winter.*

## PROPOSED TCC BYLAW CHANGES: OFFICER POSITIONS AND TERMS | TCC BOARD

- The bylaws require that proposed bylaw changes are given at least 30 days public notice, and introduced at least one meeting before the meeting during which they will be voted on. Both amendments were noticed with the meeting announcement on October 2, 2017 and introduced at the October 5, 2017 meeting.
- The Board has presented both amendments for discussion, and explained the context for each:

### ***Proposed Amendment #1: Add another Board member (a second Member at Large position)***

- Purpose: Community councils rely on volunteers, from officers to committee chairs to participating in neighborhood cleanups. We have had difficulty finding a new President this year, and the four members of the Board have done as much as possible to continue doing the work needed to track various community issues. The Board is proposing adding a 6<sup>th</sup> member, a second Member at Large position, to make space for an additional volunteer to participate, especially if they have limited time to give and/or are a newer member and not necessarily ready to take on a more demanding position like President.
- **Motion by Pat Redmond to approve the proposed amendment to TCC bylaws, adding a second Member at Large position. Second by Dan Gleason.**  
**Amendments to the language**
  - None.**Discussion**
  - None.
- **Vote on motion: 21 yes, 0 no. Bylaws amendment approved. The board will update the bylaws accordingly and submit to the Municipal Clerk for approval. This also allows the membership to vote for a second Member at Large in tonight's election.**

### ***Proposed Amendment #2: Remove term limits for Secretary, Treasurer and Member(s) at Large***

- Purpose: Generally speaking, term limits are a good thing, especially for positions like President. However, this makes filling these positions difficult, especially positions like President and Secretary, and can also mean that someone who is generally doing a good job in a position has step down even if the members voting would support them doing a fourth term. The current TCC Secretary, Anna Brawley, has served 3 terms as of the end of this year, and currently is not eligible to run again for a 4<sup>th</sup> term. She is willing to run for and serve another term, but the bylaws prevent this. The proposed amendment would keep the current term limits (3 one-year terms) for President and Vice President, but remove term limits Secretary, Treasurer, Member(s) at Large.

- **Motion by Mark Wiggin to approve the proposed amendment to TCC bylaws, removing term limits for the Secretary, Treasurer and Member at Large positions. Second by Pat Redmond. Amendment**

- Proposed by Mark Wiggin:

“If the President or Vice President have already served three consecutive terms, and during the election of the upcoming term there is no other candidate for that position on the ballot or a nomination from the floor, the President or Vice President may seek a fourth one-year term.”

- Vote on amendment: 14 yes, 7 no. Amendment passes.

#### Discussion

- Mark Wiggin commented that when he was president several years ago, he had served for 3 years but no one was willing to run, so the council was faced with either electing him in violation of the bylaws, or finding someone else to run. There was a lot of disagreement about it but no one else was willing to run.
  - Danielle Bailey spoke in favor of the motion, she supports keeping term limits for the two main leadership positions (since Vice President fills in for President when needed). She would not support removing term limits for all officers, because it is important to have new leadership—it can force the council to change up periodically, so the same people aren’t always doing the work, gives new people an opportunity to step into leadership, and is generally healthy for an organization.
  - Pat commented that it is very important to make room for new leaders, she also supports keeping term limits for some officers but understands the need for being practical.
  - Anna spoke to the need to be involved, whether attending meetings or being an officer or being a committee chair or member—she thanked everyone for attending, especially younger people in the audience, and encouraged all members to be involved.
  - Dmitri suggested that the language could be changed to allow suspension of term limits if there is not a second candidate for president and vice president.
  - Sandy commented that bylaws can always change, if this change is not workable in a
- **Vote on motion: 18 yes, 1 no. Bylaws amendment approved. The board will update the bylaws accordingly and submit to the Municipal Clerk for approval. This also allows the membership to consider the current candidate for Secretary in tonight’s election.**

#### AIRPORT-RELATED CONSTRUCTION TRUCK TRAFFIC ON LAKESHORE DRIVE

- Continued discussion and possible resolution to address safety and road wear impacts from possible illegal activity by construction truck traffic on Lakeshore Dr. that has been accessing Airport construction projects this year.
- Cathy shared that TCC has been in contact with staff from the Municipality, the Airport (Department of Transportation), and the Mayor’s office, following up on residents’ concerns about construction-related traffic on Lakeshore Drive throughout the summer and into the fall. It has been difficult to resolve because it is unclear who is responsible, whether there were municipal permits issued, and who would be in charge of enforcement for violations happening. Residents on Lakeshore Drive and TCC continue to ask the Municipality and the Airport to resolve this issue.
- John Johansen shared that the existing DOT policy for any contracts for construction projects for the Airport require the contractor obtain the necessary permits from the Municipality for their haul routes,

and that their routes cannot include Northern Lights Blvd east of Postmark Drive or Lakeshore Drive out of Lake Hood. In the future, they will also require this for leaseholders of Airport land who are subject to receiving building permits from the Airport, that any contractors who work on construction projects for these leaseholders must follow those rules as well (getting municipal permits, and not using specific routes for significant hauling).

- This still raises the question of enforcement, who is responsible—for example, Cathy learned that airport police do have jurisdiction over vehicles coming from or going to the Airport.
- Tim Steele commented that he also followed up after Assembly testimony on this issue, and heard from one contractor that they instructed their staff to stop using the route, but there may be others and it is not clear whether this has been dealt with to avoid future problems.
- TCC will continue to monitor and help Lakeshore Drive residents to resolve the issue.

## TCC OFFICERS ELECTION FOR 2018 TERM

- Officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and two Members at Large. The duties of the board and each officer are outlined in the TCC bylaws.
- Cathy Gleason shared the process:
  - Elections were announced at the October meeting, and nominations requested.
  - Nominations are also accepted on the floor during the November meeting.
  - Any member (a person who lives in the area, owns property there, or a business) can vote
  - Six nominations were received, one for each position except Vice President, including one for for the new Member at Large position that was created as a result of the bylaws amendments.
- Slate presented, based on nominations received since last month:
  - President: Cathy Gleason (current acting, also Vice President)
  - Vice President: [none]
  - Secretary: Anna Brawley (incumbent)
  - Treasurer: Gloria Manni (incumbent)
  - Member at Large 1: Sandy Rabinowitch (incumbent)
  - Member at Large 2: Lorraine Davis
- Nominations from the floor:
  - Jean Bielawski was nominated for Vice President, but declined the nomination.
  - Kathleen Bielawski was nominated for Vice President, but declined the nomination.
  - Danielle Bailey recommend a member not present at the meeting, for follow-up as a future officer, but did not nominate her.
  - No other nominations from the floor were made or accepted.
- **Motion by Pet Redmond to close the nominations. Second by Dan Gleason. No opposition.**
- The ballots were distributed to members for a vote.
- **Motion by Dan Gleason to elect the slate as presented, by unanimous consent. Second by David Karalunas.**
- **Vote: 23 yes, 0 opposed, none abstain. The 2018 officers listed above will start term in January.**

## SUBDIVISION LOT PROPOSAL AT 3700 W. 27TH AVE. & NORTHERN LIGHTS | BOBBY BURNETT

- A short plat application to subdivide one lot into two lots has been submitted to the Muni for an administrative decision.
- Bobby shared that the owner is seeking to subdivide the existing lot into a front and back half. Currently the lot is not conforming with the current municipal lot dimension standards with ratio of height to width, it has been grandfathered in. This subdivision would make two legally conforming lots, and creating two separate properties. There is a house on the back portion of the lot that would become one lot, and there is an existing driveway that has access to Northern Lights Blvd. that would be the primary point of access for the southern portion of the lot.



- Anna clarified that this is an administrative decision, TCC requested a presentation but the board has not proposed action. Any action taken by the council would be provided as comments on the plat application, but it would be decided by the Planning Department.
- Bobby shared that there have not been any concerns expressed by the municipal departments notified about the plat. He explained that the current lot is actually not conforming to municipal subdivision code, since it is very narrow and deep and therefore doesn't meet the ratio requirements. The current lot also has access to both Northern Lights and Knik Ave., so both lots would have legal access to a street if subdivided, facing opposite directions.
- Dan Gleason shared that he knows the neighbor of the lot, they are disappointed with the current condition of the lot—he supports the subdivision of the lot if this also means it would be cleaned up!
- **Motion by Dan Gleason to support the plat application as presented, S-12385 Jackman Subdivision, dividing one lot into two lots. Second by Gloria Manni.**
- **Vote: 19 yes, 0 no. Motion passes. The board will prepare a brief comment letter expressing support for the plat application, and send to the Municipality and the property owner's representative.**

## TOWNHOME & APARTMENT HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, W. 27TH AVE. | ANDRE SPINELLI

- The project developer was invited to give an overview of the project currently being constructed.
- Andre Spinelli shared that the property is at the end of West 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue, in one corner of the neighborhood. The property originally belonged to Elizabeth Odom, and included a ranch house and two duplexes on the lot. Spinell Homes acquired the lot in an estate sale and is building a project that is within the limits of what is allowed under current zoning. The property is on the edge of the railroad tracks and next to the single-family neighborhood and condos in North Turnagain.
- There will be solar panels on the buildings, both photovoltaic (electricity) and thermal (heat) panels.
- The project is being built under the old Title 21 code requirements, which has more parking requirements than is in current Title 21 code. Andre stated that the project's parking spaces exceed the minimum requirements in the old code.
- There will be three buildings on the lot:
  - The first building is a 4-plex with garages, with 3-bedroom units.
  - The second building is a 9-plex with garages, with 2-bedroom units.
  - The third building is a 16-unit apartment building, with 14 1-bedroom apartments and end units with 2 bedrooms. This building is ADA accessible with some units specifically for people with hearing or other disabilities. The project is being built with Alaska Housing Finance Corporation tax credits, and some units will be affordable (with some rental subsidy).
- Status: one building has been framed, and another will be built soon. The interior construction will continue through the winter and the project will be completed at the end of summer 2018.
- **Questions and Comments**
  - *Jonathan Galin asked about whether there is sufficient parking on the property, given the limited parking already available for the apartment complex next to this project? He also asked whether there is sufficient room for emergency vehicles to turn around.* The project has more than the minimum parking requirement under old Title 21, and while Andre was also concerned about the turning space for emergency vehicles, the design of the lot meets the Muni requirements.
  - *Gloria Manni expressed concerns about potential traffic, particularly during beginning and end of the school day, primarily because of the existing number of cars parked in the area from the apartment buildings.* This is certainly a potential issue, but the project has met the necessary requirements and if there are parking or blockage issues with the other apartment building, that is something that the Muni would have to address with those property owners.
  - *Jean Bielawski commented that she is concerned about traffic and the fact that there is only one egress.* The issue of secondary egress is important, but this is already true for that part of



the neighborhood, since it backs onto the railroad tracks, and developing that individual property did not require building a second road.

- *Kathleen Bielawski asked whether AHFC has requirements to do traffic studies?* Andre commented that land use regulations are a municipal issue, the Traffic Department oversees municipal streets. Any project, including those funded by AHFC, would have to follow the local zoning and code requirements in addition to any statewide requirements.
- *Cathy Gleason requested more landscaping on the property when it is complete, including some evergreen trees to replace some of the trees cleared on the wooded lot.* Andre commented that he is happy to consider adding new plantings, and in designing the project he attempted to save some of the existing trees. She will follow up in the spring.

#### PROPOSED AIRPORT FIELD MAINTENANCE STORAGE YARD EXPANSION IN TURNAGAIN BOG

- Storage yard expansion project would require filling 7.7 acres of Class A-Preservation wetlands and remove/disturb approx. 16 acres of vegetated buffer between the General Aviation area and International Airport operations.
- TCC has followed development projects in Turnagain Bog over several years, and submitted comments in the past on similar projects, most recently in 2015 and 2016 as part of the Lake Hood Seaplane Base Master Plan.
- No one was available to present on this item, so the board provided brief information about the application: it is to build a storage yard and pave over a portion of Turnagain Bog, identified at Helio Drive near the Post Office.
- **Dan Gleason made a motion to direct the Land Use committee to meet next week to discuss comments to submit prior to the November 13 deadline. Second by Kathleen Bielawski. No opposition; the Land Use Committee will meet tentatively on Wednesday, November 8.**

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Cathy Gleason shared that SB 54 passed the House Finance committee meeting this evening.

#### CLOSING

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.
- The next regular meeting will be **Thursday, December 7, 2017.**

*Minutes prepared and submitted by Secretary Anna Brawley on 11/13/17.*

*Minutes approved by Turnagain Community Council at its regular meeting on 12/7/2017.*