

**AIRPORT HEIGHTS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 18, 2018 MINUTES**

President Carolyn Ramsey called the meeting to order at 7pm

QUORUM: There was a quorum present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Dick Snyder and seconded by Teri Penn to approve the agenda and the January minutes – the motion passed without objection.

ASSEMBLY REPORT: Dick Traini reported on the bonds on the ballot this April, the first election being conducted by mail, the ML&P + Chugach sale, and the city tax on alcohol. Assemblyman Rivera discussed AO 2018-155 (the removal of 880 exemptions from non-profits due to excess 911 calls), AO 2018-2 (Beans Café Overflow Shelter), and allowing residential exemptions up to 50K from 20K

LEGISLATIVE REPORT: Geran Tarr was attending the State of the State; Josh Spring from Senator Begich's office asked for the counsel to send him our top CIP priorities.

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT: School Board Member Kathleen Plunket discussed: 1) the school bond not having any reimbursement from the State of Alaska; 2) the Base Student Allocation (BSA) is flat for the year; 3) A new AASB policy was passed relating to how the ASD is ran.

PTA REPORT: The PTA is accepting donations for skates and ice mopping. Winter family fun night is on the 16th of February from 5:30 to 8:00.

DOT & PF MIDTOWN CONGESTION RELIEF STUDY - DOWL: This is a State funded study with federal funding possibilities. Galen Jones with DOT and a DOWL Representative presented. This is a study that will take a fresh look on what can be done for mobility along the midtown corridor. The study process is in its early stages. After the presentation the counsel passed resolution 2018-1 entitled "A Resolution of the Airport Heights Community Council (AHCC) Regarding the Midtown Congestion Relief Project" by a vote of 17-0-0. More information on this project can be found at www.midtowncongestionrelief.com.

SOLARIZE CAMPAIGN – LAUNCH ALASKA: Kristin Collins with the Alaska Center did a follow up presentation on this program; an RFP has been created and input is being sought.

FAIRVIEW RESOLUTION, CHESTER CREEK WATERSHED, WETLANDS HEALTH AND PROTECTION: The acquisition of property on Orca St. by Merrill Field was discussed. A resolution from the Fairview Community Council regarding this issue was discussed by the body.

AIRPORT HEIGHTS GARDNERS APPLICATION AND PLANTING POSSIBILITIES: A resolution was presented supporting a grant application to assist with planting possibilities. Resolution 2018-2 passed with a vote of 17-0-0.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: A lit/door hanger drop promoting bear proof trans cans was discussed. President Ramsey collected a list of volunteers.

FCC REPORT: 1) Everyone should have received a vote by mail post card. You can call 243-VOTE or email myvoterinformation@alaska.gov if you have any questions. March 4th is the deadline for voter registration; 2) Community Councils need to start their CIP process in March.

COMMUNITY CONCENS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: 1) A crime taskforce headed up by Ric Davidge was mentioned; 2) The Transportation Fair at the Alaska Airlines Center was plugged.