

Rabbit Creek Community Council—General Membership Meeting—Minutes for February 12, 2004
Rabbit Creek Community Church – Snowshoe Lane

Call to order: Vice-President, Ky Holland called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Other board members present were: Dianne Holmes, Jess Grunblatt, Carol Fries, Wayne Skidmore, Donna VanFlein, Thom Janidlo, Dan Case, and Charlie Barnwell. Sixteen people signed in.

Introductions: Ky asked that everyone introduce themselves.

Treasurers' Report: Treasurer, Donna VanFlein reported a bank balance of \$679.56 and 31 paid members for 2004.

Minutes: motion by Wayne and Dan to approve the January, '04. Passed unanimously.

Announcements:

Dianne: Dan Burden, the pedestrian and biking safety expert, will be in town to view road projects and will speak at the Anchorage Citizens Coalition.

Concerns—persons not on the agenda (3" @ 12 " total):

Mike Flister said the AMATS Policy Comm met today; DOT has added another alternative to DeArmoun Rd Phase 2 designs that calls for widening the road only.

Report:

Senator Con Bunde's aide, Lauren Wickersham, called in for an audio-conference as did Sarah of Rep. Hawker's office. The state budget gap was discussed. Several people offered opinions.

Special Issue—Board Positions and Committees:

The executive board met in late January and elected officers from among the current board. Thom Janidlo was elected president, however he resided shortly thereafter which necessitated the reappointment of that position. It was agreed that Ky Holland would assume the presidency and Wayne Skidmore would take the vice presidency position. The Board approved the reappointment unanimously.

A Land Committee will be chaired by Dianne Holmes and several subcommittees will operate under that heading as needed. These ad hoc sub-committees will initially include the Major Development (MHT), and Trails/Parks (may be called Access) committees. Motion by Dan and Thom to accept the reappointments. Passed unanimously.

Dianne will call the FCC to change the names of the officers on their web and records. Ky intends to have the executive officers meet each Monday before the monthly meeting to set the agenda and would like the Land Committee to have decisions and issues sorted out before that.

Committee Reports:

The Mental Health Trust Committee will be comprised of Donna, Carol, Wayne, Ann Rappaport, Mike Flister, and Janey Moen.

The Parks/Trails Committee will be chaired by Charlie and Jess with Dianne, Thom, Dan, Mike and John Isby as members. It was suggested that the many issues facing the Parks Committee be listed in the newsletter rather than prioritize them at the meeting.

Charlie gave a Trails Committee report which should be called Access Subcommittee. He would like to review the Trails Plan for SE Anchorage and will put on the RC website a draft outline of revisions he feels should be made to the plan including working with developers. A revision is estimated to take less than 1 year.

Hillside District Plan (HDP) Committee will be chaired by Ky with Dan, Mike, and Charlie. They have met and proposed three possible scenarios for how the plan might be developed. It was decided that the RCCC should develop a template for the HDP and then invite the other SE Anchorage councils to join in to complete it. Also discussed was getting the HDP and other neighborhood plans codified in Title 21 in order to give the plans legal standing.

Mike is to ask MOA Planning where the HDP and neighborhood plans belong in Title 21. Dianne will ask Julie Jonas the same question so she can have Clarion respond.

Community involvement—it was discussed how to get more residents involved. The Pulse is one avenue for disseminating information. Wayne with Mindy (newsletter editor) will explore ways to get RCCC's news out to more people. Dianne suggested working with the major snowplowers who have access to all the homeowners' associations. A general membership meeting is being contemplated for April with the HDP as a topic for discussion.

Federation of Community Councils ordinance is being revised to allow councils to charge more for memberships and allow them to receive other outside funds. This is prompted because the city is not funding the FCC any more due to budget cuts. It may also be a good time to revise RCCC's By-laws.

Assembly Report:

Janice Shamberg reported she would sponsor the FCC ordinance revision and will help the FCC look into finding office space perhaps in the MOA building. Dick Tremaine spoke on some of the bonds that will be on the April ballot.

Announcements continued: Dianne said the Assisted Living Ordinance has been heard before P/Z but they have not voted on it. One of the RC members has written a six point letter on why the ordinance should not set a limit of six as an acceptable number of out-right permitted clients without requiring a conditional use permit. Those points should be relayed to P/Z under RCCC letterhead. Dianne will prepare same for Ky's signature.

Mental Health Trust Lands, Carol and Donna will work to get people to participate.

The RC website—there was a discussion of finding ways to upload data without going into the FCC office.

Adjourned: 8:55pm