

Rabbit Creek community Council Meeting December 9, 2004 – Minutes (draft)
Rabbit Creel Church, Rabbit Creek Road & Snowshoe Lane

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by Ky Holland, president. Other board members present were Carol Fries, Dianne Holmes, Tom Janidlo, Wayne Skidmore, Susanne Comellas, Donna VanFlein, Jess Grunblatt, Mike Flister, and Charlie Barnwell. Introductions were made.

Announcements:

Griffen Park – a new access point to adjacent property is being built.

Section 36 RFP close to being released.

January RCCC elections-contact Carol Fries.

Treasurer's Report:

107 members and \$623.25 in checking account.

Minutes: The minutes for November were unavailable.

Legislative Report:

Residential tax exemption-Dick Tremaine explained and answered questions regarding the proposal by the mayor. Residential land will be exempt from the first \$20,000 in assessed value, passing the tax burden to rental and commercial properties.

A Firewise task force/advisory board has been formed. Members include Dick Tremaine, The Soil and Water Conservation group, and members of area CC's affected by forest fire mitigation. This board will make recommendations and oversee funding.

Roads East of Goldenview (Shangri-La Subdivision and vicinity) are being looked at with design in mind. Since the short plat amendment passed there is a greater awareness of the lack of planned infrastructure in the area. HALO, RCCC, BVCC and local LRSA's are meeting with the mayor to look at potential traffic circulation issues.

FCC funding will require some local councils' to change their by-laws. Currently, FCC by-laws are being updated.

Iditarod Trail, Girdwood, Dick Tremaine was instrumental in ensuring the Girdwood section of the trail is now a moveable dedicated easement across municipal land and can never be revoked.

AMATS - Janice Shamborg reported on DeArmoun PhaseII indicating the DSR should be submitted and a decision to fill or kill the project will be determined soon.

SB 260 & Ben Stevens-The municipality of Anchorage is determined to undermine SB260, which would reapportion representation of the AMATS board. The concern is that municipal control of funding would be undermined.

School Board: Local Rep Jeff Friedman spoke briefly of the shifting of the school year, opening earlier and closing earlier. He was asked to request the ASD weigh in on reprioritizing local state road winter maintenance due to the number of vehicle accidents along state maintained hillside roads.

Committee Reports:

Potter Valley- Homeowners association meeting with representative of Connie Yoshimura to solve the problems with Potter Ridge Subdivision, renamed to Potter View.

Hillside District Plan- January 6th HALO meeting. Ky will be the representative from RCCC. \$100,000 in funding has been granted by the municipality.

Parks and Trails- Tom Korosei of Parks and Rec. spoke of the Parks Plan to be heard by the Planning and Zoning Commission on 2/7/05. RCCC is in the process of finalizing a letter that would outline concerns and errors in the current plan, including misaligned trails and roads delineated as trails. Final plan should be on website at the end of the month at http://www.muni.org/Planning/prj_ParksPlan.cfm this plan is an over view of the municipality's course for the next decade in establishing and defining parks in our city.

Motion by Carol, 2nd by Tom to send letter that we have been working on adding comments requesting clarification as to how this plan will integrate the Trails plan that needs to be updated as interconnection is jeopardized if these two plans are not coordinated also the council would like to see a work session planned for community involvement. Letter will be circulated via e-mail and sent to Thede Tobisch and Jeff Dillon. Passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Planning letter on hold until other CC's coordinate. Title 21 comments need to be reviewed by the council concerning R-6. Drafts to be released soon.

Davidson Park, the unofficial paint ball park of Rabbit Creek needs signs and the letter approved in the last meeting is being finalized and sent to Parks.

New Business:

Title 21-Drafts of modules should be out soon and comments on Module 3 extended to January 17th?

HDP-HALO meeting January 6th.

Rabbit Creek Road Maintenance-Jerry Krieter wants to form a citizens group to petition the state to update maintenance schedule of Hillside roads. The steeper roads need to be maintained earlier in the winter to minimize accidents. He is willing to draft letters and locate proper personnel to send requests. The council is willing to support his efforts.

FCC-Motion by Dianne, 2nd by Tom to support changes in FCC by-laws. Passed unanimously. Copy attached to file.

Adjourn: 9:10