

Newsletter

Scenic Foothills Community Council

December 2016

Thursday, December 8, Scenic Foothills Community Council Meeting 7 p.m. at Wayland Baptist University, 7801 East 32nd Avenue (enter via Old Muldoon Road off 36th Avenue). Agenda: http://www.scenicfoothillscc.org/pdf/agenda.pdf> additional copies at the door.

Public Safety:

Public Safety in our neighborhood is still the most frequent topic of postings to the Nextdoor Scenic Foothills website. Whether you have ever posted a notice of suspicious activity or just have a general concern for your neighborhood, please attend the December 8 meeting of our Council to voice your concerns directly to the Anchorage Police Department. Not every activity warrants a call to APD, so they may not always be aware of what the rest of us have been seeing. Community policing works when all of us are involved. APD wants to hear from YOU.

Agenda Highlights

Call to Order 7:00 p.m. • Welcome • Minutes Approval

Legislative Report:

Our re-elected State Representative Lance Pruitt and State Senator Cathy Giessel are invited to present their preparation for the 2017 legislative session.

Municipality of Anchorage Report:

Assembly Representatives Pete Petersen and Forrest Dunbar may be available to report and answer questions from the public pertaining to issues before the Assembly.

Anchorage School Board Report:

Any updates from Anchorage School District or the School Board will be heard.

1. Anchorage Police Department:

An APD Lieutenant and a member of the Mayor's staff will describe the current public safety efforts of APD and changes that are anticipated in the coming year.

2. Library – Muldoon Branch:

Hear how the Muldoon Branch of the Anchorage Municipal Library system is serving East Anchorage needs.

3. Wayland Baptist University

Dr. Eric Ash, Dean of Wayland Baptist University, Anchorage Campus, will describe the programs offered by the University and the unique services it provides for its students. We appreciate use of WBU's auditorium.

Public Comments and Neighborhood Concerns:

The Scenic Foothills Community Council strives to introduce the most important topics of concern to our neighborhoods. We rely on your input to help design our future meeting agendas. The light agenda this month will give us time to discuss neighborhood concerns and help establish agendas for future meetings.

9:00 p.m. Adjourn

Meet your Scenic Foothills Community Council Board at a holiday social after the meeting. Join in for cookies and apple cider to meet your board members, as well as many more neighbors who are striving to make the Scenic Foothills area the best place to live in our community.

- Nextdoor.com is a free and private social network just for Scenic Foothills neighbors. On Nextdoor, neighbors share crime and safety concerns, local events, recommendations, items for sale/free, information on missing pets, ideas about how to make our neighborhood better and safer. In January 2015, Scenic Foothills Community Council board members rather cautiously began an evaluation of Nextdoor.com as a way of interacting with more of our neighbors the folks next door. We now encourage your participation.
 Several smaller neighborhoods were combined into one Scenic Foothills neighborhood along our community council boundaries. Nextdoor.ScenicFoothills has since grown to more than 780 Nextdoor neighbors, far more than the number on the SFCC e-mail list and with less than 25% overlap.
- More than 1/3 of our Nextdoor neighbors participated in the Capital Improvements Project survey last spring and many more have been active on park safety, bike trails, bear awareness and other neighborhood issues.



Nextdoor.com is an effective way to interact with more people who are actively involved in our neighborhood issues. If you are not already participating, we suggest you consider becoming a Nextdoor neighbor as a way of keeping up on neighborhood concerns, whether or not you choose to attend the SFCC meetings.
Please join us on Nextdoor Scenic Foothills to build ourselves a better neighborhood. We also suggest you consider turning off some of the e-mail and notifications options, especially if you are using a smartphone.
E-mail newsletters: send your e-mail address to sfcc@alaska.net to get the freshest news! Or use the contact form on the website: http://scenicfoothills.org/council/contact-form/

All committees are open for membership and support. Committee chair contact information posted on website.

Our Scenic Foothills website info is moving to an easier to read, mobile-friendly website – the legacy website remains to preserve historic information, including newsletters, minutes, etc. An updated Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) page can be found under the "Council" menu.

scenicfoothills.org (new site) • scenicfoothillscc.org • facebook.com/scenicfoothills

Our part of town—from the Tudor-Muldoon curve to the swerve onto the Glenn Highway—is named after Anchorage pioneer homesteader **Arnold L. Muldoon**. He put up a log cabin among the spruce trees near Northern Lights Boulevard in the winter of 1940. He packed the materials out on his back, along a muddy trail that became Muldoon Road. Arnold L. Muldoon Park, named in his honor, preserves a portion of his original homestead.

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