

Federation of Community Councils, Inc.

Board of Delegate

Minutes of March 20, 2019 meeting

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Chair Matt Burkholder
Quorum achieved.

FCC Delegates in attendance (23):

Abbott Loop	Patti Higgins
Airport Heights	-
Basher	Donald Crafts
Bayshore/Klatt	Bob Laule
Bear Valley	-
Birchwood	Matt Chruickshank
Campbell Park	Sandy Traini
Chugiak	Darryl Parks
Downtown	Patrick McDonnell
Eagle River	-
Eagle River Valley	Tom Freeman
Eklutna Valley	-
Fairview	Harry Need
Girdwood	-
Glen Alps	-
Government Hill	Bob French
Hillside	Sarah Denson
Huffman/O'Malley	Matt Burkholder (FCC Chair)
Midtown	-
Mountain View	-
North Star	-
Northeast	Bob Reupke
Old Seward/Oceanview	Nancy Joseph
Portage Valley	-
Rabbit Creek	Frank Pugh
Rogers Park	Bob Churchill
Russian Jack	James Smallwood
Sand Lake	-
Scenic Foothills	Daniel Cliff
South Addition	Jeff Manfull
South Fork	-
Spenard	Irene Persson-Gamble
Taku Campbell	Michael Carey
Tudor Area	-
Turnagain	Cathy Gleason
Turnagain Arm	-
University Area	Al Milspaugh

Others in attendance:

Anchorage Assembly	Dick Traini
	Christopher Constant
Anchorage Police Dept.	Chief Justin Doll
Community Councils Center	Mark Butler
Municipal Ombudsman	Darrel Hess
Anchorage School Board	Deena Mitchell
CPCC	James Bethany
FVCC	James Thornton
TCCC	
Candidate for Assembly	Christine Hill
HHAND Commission	Claire Waddoup
ANC Airport	Jim Szczesniak, Airport Manager

A. Call to Order and Establish Quorum: Matt Burkholder, Chair

B. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Bob Reupke, seconded by Tom Freeman. Approved by consensus.

C. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Moved by Al Milspaugh, seconded by Mat Chuickshank. Approved by consensus.

Presentation by Justin Doll, Chief Anchorage Police Department

Continued growth in the department. More officers finishing training. More officers on patrol shifts. Crime trends: stolen vehicles way down. Aligning patrol beats along community council lines. This consistency of assignment should help officers understand crime trends in each neighborhood and make for more efficient policing. Redesigning the APD web page. Some specialty units reestablished. Lots of police presence downtown now, so trying to put more officers on trails and such. The Chief understands the cost versus effectiveness question.

D. Standing Committee Reports:

1. **FCC Chair** – Matt Burkholder
2. **FCC Treasurer** – Don Crafts
On budget this month.
3. **FCC Outreach** – Al Milspaugh
Rondy float.
4. **FCC Training** – Daniel George
5. **Community Councils Center Manager** – Mark Butler

Lots of handouts: Vote by Mail, 2040 Land Use Plan – Private streets and driveways, Seward Highway, Anchorage Fire Stations, Municipal Climate Action Plan public forum, West Anchorage Candidates Forum, FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers, SBA Disaster Loans.

Discussion with Municipal Ombudsman Darrel Hess on FCC Insurance Policy and coverage of individual council meetings.

6. Communications Between Municipality and Councils – Matt Cruickshank

Discussed proposed FCC resolution that would change public notice requirements on Municipal projects, utility easements, and development projects.

7. AMATS Transportation Funding – Bob French

Discussed the process for identifying and funding road projects.

E. Municipality (5 minutes each):

1. Mayor's Office – Ona Brause, Chief of Staff of the Office of the Mayor

Vote by mail process, impact of the Governor's proposed State of Alaska budget on local governments across the state.

2. Anchorage Assembly – Dick Traini

Fourth Avenue theater, ASD budget could get impacted by the Governor's proposed budget. "Shift and shaft" is his name for the shifting of expenses from the State to local governments. If this happens on the scale of the Governor's proposal, then the Municipality will have to cut services and add taxes. Eric Croft has proposed de-regulating the local taxicab industry.

3. Anchorage School Board – Deena Mitchell

School bond proposition of the ballot is focused on fixing schools which are falling behind on preventative maintenance and code upgrades. If maintenance is deferred, then costs will go up in the future. \$4 million was added because of earthquake damage to school facilities.

F. Presentations (5 to 10 minutes each)

1. Runway Construction – Jim Szczesniak, Anchorage International Airport Manager

Reconstruction of the North-South runway begins again on April 1st (no fooling!) 20% of the work was done last summer and the rest will happen this season. Hope to be done in early October. It's a \$73 million investment. Working multiple shifts. To mitigate the impacts on Midtown and East Anchorage there is a plan for pilots to climb out under full power to 800 feet and then reduce engine throttle until 3,000 feet when they will go to full throttle once again. Deicer chemical using in the winter is "propylene glycol" which is safe for the environment (it is commonly used as a food additive.)

Anchorage International Airport Jobs Fair on Saturday March 23rd. Free parking in the North Terminal building.

2. **Proposal to Redistrict the Assembly into Single-District Seats** – Christopher Constant, Assembly member
Suggested that single-member districts would be more equitable than the current system where one district is half the size of the others (and has only one Assembly member).

G. Old Business:

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H. New Business:

1. None.

I. Council Sharing (brief points)

Turnagain CC – West Anchorage Candidates Forum, parks, trucks on West Northern Lights Boulevard, Coastal Trail, Lyn Ary Park

Rabbit Creek CC – Events, evacuation drill for the Hillside

Taku Campbell CC – Cannabis, Campbell Creek trail

Scenic Foothills CC – May 4th Park Clean-up Event

Birchwood CC – AWWU waterline

Downtown CC – Native Hospital site, alcohol, CIP/CIB Committee

Fairview CC – Code overlay

Chugiak CC – earthquake damage, engineering stamps on drawings, cemetery project

Eagle River Valley CC – Election candidate visits

Northeast CC – Insurance, Pebble Mine presentation, elections

Abbott Loop CC – CIP Committee, New Seward Highway off-ramps, dog park

J. Comments by the Public (3 min. each, time permitting)

None.

K. Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Adjournment approved unanimously.

Minutes respectfully taken by Mark Butler, Councils Center Manager