

**DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 2, 2003 ANCHORAGE MUSEUM OF HISTORY & ART**

Council Members Present: Kim Macbeath, Ron Alleva, Millie Renkert, Bob Renkert, Craig Cook, Richard Lazur, Carol Aspery (for Deirdre Phayer).

Council Members Absent: John Pattee.

Kim Macbeath called the meeting to order at 5:40pm.

Approval of November and December 2002 minutes. Motion passed.

Ron Alleva - Treasurer's Report - No change from last month. Membership due this year

Appearances

Assemblyman Tesche - Absent

Anchorage Waterways Council

Holly Kent - Annual meeting held at Fairview Recreation Center on January 29, 2003 @ 7pm.

Discussions on the future of Chester Creek.

Anchorage Fire Department Union Representative

Jim Vignola reported the following:

- Discussion on how the budget cuts will affect the fire department.
- In a case of a fire in one-area new standards require a minimum number of people on scene, which can require companies leaving those areas without coverage.
- December 13th Anchorage Daily News reported how the budget cuts will affect the fire stations. Truck 11 in Eagle River wants to close down the station.
- On September 23, 2002 3 more captains were promoted. In January they will be hiring 16 more firefighters.
- With a new budget of \$44.5 million there is still \$2.4 million left...there are rigs just sitting there and not being used. Please contact your assembly members and let them know how important it is not to be shutting down fire stations in our area.

Catholic Social Services - Brother Francis Shelter

Dewayne Harris - Director of Brother Francis Shelter.

- Reporting on the new remodeling of the Brother Francis Shelter.
- Site planning - existing shelter will be removed.
- New shelter will be 18,000 square feet with parking in front and shared parking with Beans Café.
- There will be a dock for donations, a smoking court enclosed south side (open to air for ventilation),
- Meals to be delivered on site.
- Fully ventilated for healthier environment for residence.
- Improved sleeping areas.
- Administration area and landscaping.

New Business

Liquor License Action

Restaurante Orso's - Rob McCormick - who is also general manager of Glacier Brewhouse. Application for license renewal. **Motion approved.**

Corsair Restaurant - Transfer of Ownership

Dan Jacobson - New owner. Mr. Jacobson was the chef at the Corsair for 10 years. There will be no interior or exterior work done. **Motion approved.**

Downtown Brown's Raw Bar & Grill

Downtown's new establishment located at 5th & E. Mr. Jack Lewis (currently owns the Sourdough Mining Co) has asked for a transfer of liquor license. Brown's Bar & Grill will be an upscale, casual non-smoking, Raw bar, full bar with 104 seats. **Motion approved.**

Old Business

Boundaries

Craig Cook - Boundaries discussed regarding downtown Fairview (east of Cordova Street), Ship Creek, and Government Hill. Can dispute before assembly. Make recommendations every 2 years. **No Action Taken Yet.**

Anchorage Museum Expansion

Kim MacBeath - Pat Wolf will report on the Museum expansion in an upcoming meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm