



BEAR VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL



February 5, 2003 - Wednesday

Bear Valley Elementary School - 7:00 to 9:00 pm (max.)

Agenda (not necessarily in order of occurrence)

Minutes of last meeting, announcements, misc.

Speaker: Anch. Police Dept. Officer informs/ advises concerning halting motorized activity on public lands and aiding enforcement/ penalties for violations

Old business: Section 36, BVCC Boundaries, Trail to Old Baldy, 160 Acre Burlewood Subdivision east of Carl Street,

Assembly update; State legislature telephonic hookup

Subcommittee reports: treasury, Hillside District Plan

New business: Anchorage Bowl Open Space & Park study; new proposed development and new items for Assembly consideration

Introduction of Proposed Changes to Council By-Laws

- a. Delegate to Federation of Community Councils: selection, term, scope
- b. Creation of Standing Committee for Parks & Recreational Affairs
- c. Creation of Standing Committee for Development Oversight

MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY:

1. Planning Case No. 2002-038 Community Council BOUNDARIES: this will be heard and discussed by the Assembly. Rabbit Creek Community Council is claiming the northern 1/3 and about 1/2 of Section 36 for inclusion into its Council by taking it out of the Bear Valley Community Council. This matter will come before the Assembly.

2. The Draft 2003 Work Program and the 2004-2008 Five Year Plan of the HERITAGE LAND BANK is available for public review. A copy will be at the BVCC meeting.

3. Land Design North and Thede Tobish of the Planning Department will be doing an inventory and analysis of "Anchorage Bowl Parks, Greenbelt and Recreation Facility Plan, including identifying what is available and what is needed throughout the city to meet citizen needs. The Citizens Advisory Group, 25 appointed people, and the Technical Advisory Group, will work with LDN over the period of 14 months, about, to complete the inventory and proposed plan. If you have children or an interest in the future availability of parks and open space, get involved!

4. **AO 2002-221: Ordinance restricting building on your lot:** It is proposed, in all zoning districts, that your accessory buildings shall not be larger than your principal building. Translated this means your home must not be smaller than your garage, carport, greenhouse, storage shed, workshop, stable, paddock, separate office, or any other allowable building. Already the law provides that no structure can be constructed in the front, back, and side yard limits. Lot coverage by structures can't exceed a percentage of the footprint of the lot or acreage. Some districts have height limits of 12-30 feet; others are limited to "not interfering with airport traffic". Further, there appears to be some discussion on whether all accessory structures

COLLECTIVELY cannot exceed your principal structure, either in its footprint or cubic feet. This causes a problem if a property owner needs to store a lot of "toys" or has a hobby inside a structure etc. The law says you can't leave stuff out in the open. If it's in pieces it had better be out of sight or it's declared junk. Same goes for your salvage lumber piles. Inside storage reduces theft. Birchwood raised enough questions that P&Z asked the muni to take another look and refine what they are proposing in AO 2002-221. If you care about what you can do on your own property, call your assembly person and tell them your opinions.

4. HANDY DANDY WEB SITES:

Anchorage Administration: www.muni.org Planning: www.muni.org/planning
Federation of Community Councils: councils@alaska.net
Assemblyperson: Janice Shamburg: 343-4124; Dick Tremaine 343-4122

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SURVEY: PLEASE FILL OUT AND MAIL OR BRING TO COUNCIL MEETING:

1. Name: _____, Contact number: _____
2. Mailing Address: _____
3. Street (Physical Address) _____
4. Email address: _____ ok for newsletter yes no
5. What I think my Bear Valley Community Council should do or what I am concerned about in my neighborhood and in the city of Anchorage, or anything else I want to say about my concerns: _____

6. I would like the following done or not done to the roads in my subdivision:

7. I feel informed about the expenditures of my LRSA: yes no
Thank you for your comment.

Please mail to: FCC, 401 E. Northern Lights #204, Anchorage, AK 99503