

# EAGLE RIVER VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL (ERVCC)

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## Regular Meeting:

Remember, new location this year:

Wednesday, January 8, 2002, 7:00 pm  
GRUENING MIDDLE SCHOOL Library

<u>ERVCC Board</u>	<u>Term expires</u>
Crystal Kennedy	2003
<b>Dean Eisberg</b>	
Vice-President	2003
<b>Sarah Wright</b>	2003
President	
John Steiner	2004
Arlene Voehl	2004
<b>Bill Holland</b>	2004
Treasurer	
Lee Cline	2005
Tom Freeman	2005
Jay Brudzinski	2005

**AGENDA** (Subject to change to allow input on any important issues that did not make this notice.)

## GUESTS

**Mike Barsalou:** Homeowner Park View Terrace, Requesting assistance in removing a Plat note from sub division.

**Bill Mendenhall:** Reporting on P&Z action of Jan 6 Re: Janke denial of permit action.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

## New Business

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Federation of Community Councils

Representative: Tom Freeman

## Parks & Recreation Board

Representative: Janet Brand  
Alternate: Scott Bailey  
❖ Preliminary design review for Eliasson Park and Glen Eagle/Sun loft Park

## CBERRRSA (Road Board)

Representative:

Lee Cline  
1-2-03  
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## Education

Chair: Crystal Kennedy  
❖ Crystal Kennedy running for ASD open seat

## Wildfire Hazard Mitigation and Disaster Planning

Chair: Dave Wachsmuth

## Zoning & Platting

Chair: Jay Brudzinski

- ❖ Update on Planning action for Eklutna property at ER Rd
- ❖ Proposed CC redistricting update
- ❖ Chugach State Park Access Inventory Analysis and Recommendations
- ❖ Draft EIS for South Extension of the Coastal Trail available

## OLD BUSINESS

ACS Tower permit approval

## FYI:

- ❖ Xmas tree recycling at Carrs through Sunday Jan 19

**NOTE:** Eagle River Valley Community Council (ERVCC) Bylaws require that a person be qualified to be a council member and have attended at least one previous ERVCC meeting to be eligible to vote on an issue. Anyone may be recognized to speak, even at their first meeting.

**The December meeting was not conducted due to lack of a quorum.**

## **Regular Meeting Minutes from November 13, 2002.**

Called to order by President, Sarah Wright at 7:00PM

### Guest Speakers:

Erin Myer Public Relations Coordinator for Anchorage Animal Control discussed dog and cat populations, breeding; Microchip ID's are available in Anchorage (nationwide coverage \$20.00-\$30.00). Animal Control has 7 officers and is response based. All animals must be restrained (cats and dogs). Animal traps can be rented for a week. Barking dogs: talk to owner first, if not satisfied then call A.C. Make a video or audio tape (evidence) -> fine. 3 barking complaints/year -> debarking of animal. Adopt a pet program requires microchip insertion and spaying/neutering. Adoption fee = \$100.00. \$50.00 refunded when spaying/neutering complete. Rescue organizations are available for most breeds and species.

Michelle Foreman Emergency Property Locator program up and going. Organized by Peter's Creek Christian Center. It is an iron stand with reflective vinyl street number placed in the easement. EPL is an all-volunteer organization open Tues-Thurs. The muni mapping system database is used to confirm street addresses. Enstar donates shop space and Painting is done at Glacier Auto Body. MTA donated phone/fax lines for a year. Program is starting in South Fork, Hiland Road. Anticipate 6,000 locator signs at about \$10.00/sign with volunteer help.

Nick Miller ACS Wireless (formally MacTel) is the owner/operator of the tower on top of Skyline Drive. ACS has available space and power at this sight. ACS has offered to lease space but has not received and formal requests. Current conditional use permit expires in 2009. ACS is wishing to extend it indefinitely. ACS TV is for sale (has been for several months). All leases will transfer with sale. One consolidated facility is most desirable. ACS leases land from Frank Bowan (ER landowner) currently living in California. Buyer of ACS has option to buy the land the tower sits on. Leasers include UAA, Channel 5, and State of Alaska total 10-12 tenants. Current tower is not aesthetically pleasing. Monopole would not hold as many tenants as are currently occupying Eagles Nest Tower. An Antenna farm is more unsightly. Current tenants are paying below market rates. TV broadcast consortium wants space for digital broadcast. South fork Construction wants to build a second tower. City withdrew permission to build second tower. Under appeal, will be heard by Anchorage Assembly 2 Jan 03. ACS has not rejected any engineered tenant requests. Space is available for 8+ more tenants. Best location possible for broadcasting. Broad cast range 50-60 miles. ACS believes that the tower is not marketable with the short-term permit expiration. Bill Mendenhall made a motion that the ERVCC support the suspension of the conditional use permit's expiration in 2009 contingent upon there being only one (1) tower within one-mile radius. Surrounding PLI land is (owned by Eklutna) barred from building another tower. Seconded by Bill Holland and Arlene Voehl. **Tabled until existing conditional use permit reviewed by ERVCC members. Will address at December 11 meeting. Passed Unanimously.**

State park doesn't want a tower on every peak. Residents don't want an antenna farm. ACS tower is 180 feet. Bill will work with Nick on a prototype ordinance for the tower.

The October minutes were approved without change.

### **Committee Reports**

**Treasurer:** Bill Holland reported that the ERVCC is the trustee for the trust to compensate (either partially or fully) those homeowners whose wells are affected by the new subdivisions. In 1995 Heritage Estates and Heritage Estates West wells were deemed to be at risk. Hydrographical study completed by Jim Munter indicated that wells in the area might be affected. \$40,000.00 put in to CD account at 1<sup>st</sup> National Bank. \$7,500.00 in earned interest in savings account. ERVCC must provide notice biannually that claim process is available. Review board composition includes 3 members from the affected subdivision. 2 parties have requested forms since 1995 but never returned them completed. John Steiner and Janet Brand were on original board.

Bill Holland also discussed the \$941.00 check received from the muni as repayment of fees for the appeal process the ERVCC took against Eagle Crossing Inc, which we won. It was mentioned in May 2001 minutes that these monies were to be paid to the attorney Susan Ewy who represented us pro bono.

Jay Brudzinski made a *motion to return/give the \$\$ to Susan Ewy for winning the appeal on behalf of Friends of Eagle River Valley. Arlene seconded. Passed Unanimously*

**Federation of Community Council:** Tom Freeman absent. Letter sent to Mayor by Rogers Park CC requesting the funding be restored. Dean made a *motion to support the Rogers Park CC letter. Arlene seconded...Jay B made friendly amendment that the letters continue monthly until budget passed. Passed Unanimously.* Also mentioned was that the Federation Director position is available and the job description can be found at the Federation website.

- Crisis to care program was discussed.
- Eklutna Reservoir stream monitor volunteer is needed.
- Aware academy 6pm 11/20/02
- Tom Freeman paperwork completed for director position.

**Parks and Rec:** Scott Bailey reported park renovations and upgrades complete. Park budget short \$80,000.00. (2001 budget = \$1,042 million). RFP for Beach Lake Ski, No funding for 2<sup>nd</sup> sheet of ice at Mac.

**CBERRRSA** Lee Cline reported too late to strip Stewart Drive. Notice in the Star Re: snow berm/ yard rock policy. No snow is good for budget. Sarah Wright asked about additional stretch of sidewalk along Lee Street between ERR and School district property. Safety issue for Gruening kids. Discussion that tax payers have provided two safe means for crossing ERR. Anchorage School District provides bus service to those student living north of ERR and a cross walk bridge has been built for safe pedestrian passage. Crystal Kennedy made a *motion to request the School District and APD monitor the situation encouraging kids to cross over the bridge and not directly across ERR and up Lee Street. Seconded by Dwight Neill. Passed Unanimously.* Arlene requested we invite the project coordinators for ERR and ER Loop Road to meeting. Discussion about the ER Loop Old Glenn Hwy intersection light. Currently on 2 minute timer. Being reset.

**Education** Crystal Kennedy reported that Proposition C passed. ERHS estimated to cost \$49.5 million and will be eligible for a 60% reimbursement from the state. Rita Holthouse only ASD Board member against ERHS. Elementary enrollment down, after rebounding Alpenglow, Ravenwood is at 99% capacity and Alpenglow at 85%. Secondary enrollment is up.

**Planning and Zoning** Jay Brudzinski reported that Eklutna is planning an 8 unit condo on the 2.5 acre site zoned PLI being rezoned R3. Traffic issue not addressed. P&Z supports rezone without addressing traffic issue. Cemetery ordinance reviewed. Currently it is legal to bury human remains on private property without marking site. Change to Title 21 would prohibit burying of human remains outside a cemetery. Larry Call filed a request to rezone his lot on South Juanita Street into two lots. Land clearing ordinance discussed. Name Change made it unclear. ERVCC made a motion in Feb 02 opposing the land clearing w/o permit ordinance. As we interpret commercial development is restricted and developed lots are exempt. The ERVCC supported this ordinance.

Adjourned at 9:50 pm Respectfully submitted: Dean Eisberg/Sarah Wright

## **EAGLE RIVER VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING NOTICE**

Please come to **YOUR** community council's monthly meeting, January 8, 7:00 p.m. and thereafter the second Wednesday of each month, through May, at **GRUENING MIDDLE SCHOOL** Library (new location this year) to discuss and advocate local and citywide **ISSUES THAT AFFECT YOU**. Because community input is sometimes requested on short notice we may take up important new issues that did not make it into this notice.

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We hope to see you . . .

**WEDNESDAY, January 8, 2002 at 7:00 p.m., GRUENING MIDDLE SCHOOL, Lee Street.**

Please see inside for details about our December agenda. Budget restrictions limit our ability to mail out copies of our minutes. To get a copy of each month's draft minutes even if you can't make the next meeting, and to get electronic notices of meetings and other interim information, please be sure to send an email to [councils@alaska.net](mailto:councils@alaska.net) with a copy to [swrights@aol.com](mailto:swrights@aol.com) to receive e-mail newsletters, minutes and notices. Between paper and postage, this service saves about 10 cents per newsletter!