Federation of Community Councils, Inc.
Board of Delegates
DRAFT Minutes of November 20, 2019 meeting

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Chair Matt Burkholder
Quorum achieved.

FCC Delegates in attendance (21):

Abbott Loop	Bruce Roberts
Airport Heights	-
Basher	Don Crafts (FCC Treasurer)
Bayshore/Klatt	Bob Laule
Bear Valley	-
Birchwood	Matt Cruickshank
Campbell Park	Kevin Fimon
Chugiak	Darryl Parks
Downtown	-
Eagle River	-
Eagle River Valley	Tom Freeman
Eklutna Valley	-
Fairview	-
Girdwood	-
Glen Alps	-
Government Hill	Bob French
Hillside	Sarah Denson
Huffman/O'Malley	Matt Burkholder (FCC Chair)
Midtown	-
Mountain View	Daniel George (FCC Vice-Chair)
North Star	Samuel Moore
Northeast	Bob Reupke
Old Seward/Oceanview	Nancy Beardsley
Portage Valley	-
Rabbit Creek	-
Rogers Park	Julie Bleier
Russian Jack	Kathleen Plunkett
Sand Lake	Parker Haymans
Scenic Foothills	Daniel Clift
South Addition	Jeff Manfull
South Fork	-
Spenard	-
Taku Campbell	-
Tudor Area	Mark Heinrichs
Turnagain	Anna Brawley
Turnagain Arm	-
University Area	Al Milspaugh

Others in attendance:

Office of the Mayor	Ona Brause, Chief of Staff
Anchorage Fire Department	Chief Hettrick
Anchorage Finance Department	Jack Gadamus, Municipal Assessor
Anchorage Assembly	Felix Rivera, Chair
Office of the Governor	Dave Stieren
DTCC	Ron Alleva
CPCC	Sandy Traini
NECC	Rick Phillips
RPCC	Sandy Traini
Community Councils Center	Mark Butler

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

B. Approval of Agenda
Moved by _____, Seconded by _____. Approved.

C. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
Moved by _____, Seconded by _____. Approved with one correction.

Public Safety Update – Chief Hettrick, Anchorage Fire Department
Discussed 2019 budget deficit – in order to reduce the existing year deficit AFD has instituted rolling closures of vehicles two to three times a week. It is obviously not an optimal situation. AFD has cut non-emergency, non-labor expenses - buying only fuel and replacement medical supplies. There were tremendous expenses during the hot summer including work on the Martin Luther King fire in Anchorage and assisting with other fires outside of town. We hope to receive reimbursement the work done outside of the Municipality. Has a mutual aid coordination agreement with JBER.

More funds in the 2020 budget that was just approved.

D. Standing Committee Reports:

1. **FCC Chair** – Matt Burkholder
   We have contracted with Margaret King to do a needs assessment for training FCC delegates and council officers. She will survey delegates and officers in the next few months. We will need to create an ad hoc committee on training. Sam Moore has “volunteered” to chair the committee.

2. **FCC Treasurer** – Under budget at this time. Waiting to see what our MOA contract budget will be for the 2020 contract year.

3. **FCC Outreach** – Al Milspaugh. Fur Rondy parade in February.

4. **FCC Training** – Daniel George.

5. **Community Councils Center Manager** – Mark Butler The Community Councils Center does not forward political notices or publications or even political columns to council mailing lists. We do send out notices of constituent meetings for elected officials. We will be purchasing liability insurance for the individual councils. Crime map example.

6. **FCC AMATS Committee Representative –** Bob French. MTP 2040 update.

7. **FCC Homelessness Committee Representative –** Ric Davidge. No report.

E. Municipality of Anchorage Report

1. **Mayor's Office –** Ona Brause, Chief of Staff
   2020 Municipal budget was approved last week by a 11-0 vote. The 2020 budget is up $13 Million over this year, which equates to a $6 tax increase per $100 of assessed valuation. One increase in the new budget is more non-sworn staff of APD. Additional money also going to homelessness overnight shelters and overflow shelters during cold weather. The cemetary project for the Eagle River/Chugiak general area received $30,000 from the 2019 budget and $15,000 more from the 2020 budget. The Municipal Light and Power (ML&P) purchase by Chugach Electric is progressing well. A reserve to fund a subsidy for existing ML&P customers is part of the buyout. The majority of the proceeds (after paying off the existing ML&P expenses) are anticipated to be put into the Municipal trust fund.

2. **Anchorage Assembly –** Felix Rivera, Chair
   The 2020 budget passed. Assembly member Meg Zalatel's amendments to increase funding for homelessness passed. Assembly passed a resolution asking the Administration to come up with a way to avoid rolling closures in the Fire Department. Advocated for coastal infrastructure bonds. This issue was promoted by the Alaska Municipal League. The Federation of Community Council's (FCC) 2020 contract was increased $5,000 in order to help purchase insurance for the council meetings.

3. **Anchorage School Board –** Margo Bellamy, Board Member
   Written report.

F. Presentations (5 to 10 minutes each)

1. **Property Assessment Process** – Jack Gadamus, Municipal Assessor

   Presentation about the process that the Municipality goes through in assessing the value of real estate as of the "lien date" (January 1st) each year. The "Green Card"

goes into the mail on January 15th. Be sure to apply for exemptions (like residential, senior and disabled veterans).

G. Old Business:

1. None

H. New Business:

1. Whether or not to hold FCC meeting in December

In order to pose the question, Sam Moore moved in favor of having the meeting in December. Bob Reupke seconded. Sam Moore voted YES, all other delegates voted NO. There will be no FCC meeting in December 2019. The next FCC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday January 15, 2020.

I. Council Sharing (brief points) –

Campbell Park CC – Trail calming. Homelessness. First ever marijuana business in the area.

Northeast CC – Presentation by Fair Share Act. Muldoon wall. Tract 7 (Muldoon & DeBarr)

Chugiak CC – Farrow Creek parcel. Senior assisted living and independent units. Eaglexit.

Birchwood CC – No AWWU line through Birchwood. Many folks against Eklutna gambling facility.

Government Hill CC – Like concept of 12-member Assembly that will be on the ballot in April 2020.

Rogers Park CC – Midtown Congestion Relief plans. Crime and public safety. Need to abate illegal camps.

South Addition CC – Neighborhood plan work continuing.

Sand Lake CC – Homelessness resolution. Jewel Lake Road lighting needs.

Old Seward/Oceanview CC – AT&T small cell towers.

Turnagain CC – Small cell towers on poles. ANC air cargo development. Increased traffic on West Northern Lights Boulevard. Rustic Goat liquor license.

North Star CC – 3+ acres of the trees along “C” Street (adjacent to Valley of the Moon Park) have been purchased by Cook Inlet Native Head Start and they have removed many of the trees in preparation of building a one-story head start facility for young children.

J. Comments by the Public (3 min. each, time permitting) –
Ron Alleva spoke about his frustrations with the homeless people overwhelming his private property near the Municipal homelessness shelter downtown.

Rick Phillips is collecting signatures for the “Fair Share Act”.

K. Adjournment:
Meeting adjourned at 8:6 p.m. Sam Moore moved, Kevin Fimon seconded. Adjournment approved unanimously.

Minutes respectfully taken by Mark Butler, Community Councils Center Manager.