

NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

HELD AT NORTH EAST COMMUNITY CENTER/MULDOON MALL

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PRESIDENT: ROD MCCOY, VICE PRESIDENT; GEORGE GAUGZIS, TREASURER;SELENA METOYER, SECRETARY;
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MINUTES FOR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21,2003

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT ROD MC COY AT 7:00P.M.

Approval of Agenda – Addition for Nine Star Report - approved

Secretary: Minutes –Read and approved

Treasurer: Report –Regular account balance \$288.75, Foothills account balance \$1343.75

REPORTS: (limit of 3 minutes) Municipality of Anchorage; Anchorage Police Department; Police Liaison and Community Patrols; Northeast and Nunaka; Anchorage School District ; Northeast Community Center; Federation of Community Councils; Weed n' Seed; NECC Parks and Beautification Committee; Muldoon Town Center Committee;(21 minutes. Questions beyond the three minutes for each subject could be asked individually or during For the Good of the Order)

INTRODUCTIONS:

Legislative Teleconference : Senator Guess, Representative Tom Anderson, Representative Nancy Dahlstrom's Chief of Staff Rex Shattuck, Senator Bettye Davis aide Richard Beneviedes

Current session working on 2 bills to clean up drug labs; change the number of legislative sessions from 120 to 90; won't see the budget until March 6; the anti-telemarketing bill HB15 introduced by Representative Sate to develop a "no call list" was introduced. Refer to the legislature web site www.legis.state.ak.us for more details. Also, questions asked were regarding raising the population numbers to limit the number of liquor licenses and can they help push DOT to install lights at Peck and at Bartlett High.Is there a way to get state bond money matching funds for library expansions, ie. NECC library. Several people said they were working on it. School Desingaton Program will not come up this session but will keep it in mind.

Reports Given:

MOA- Brian Whittle gave a brief report on the current happenings at the assembly.

APD – none

Community Patrols – none

ASD – Property for the Muldoon Middle School has been purchased and will soon go out to bid for construction.

Northeast Community Center – Continues to grow

Boys and Girl's Clubs- More kids every day, group usage is up as well

Weed n' Seed – Pancake Breakfast, One Block at a Time block selection coming up

Muldoon Family Center –none

Parks and Beautification- Motion made and carried for Cheney Lake Project as follows. "Northeast Community Council supports and wishes to adopt the Cheney Lake Comprehensive Master Plan as revised and reviewed in March 2003." For more information check the website at www.landdesignnorth.com. Click on the link found there for the park plan(s) you are interested in. Or call Tom Korosi at 343-4503

Town. Center- The Master Site Plan has passed Planning and Zoning

Muldoon Beautification Project – Joel Stout, Project Manager gave a report that the plan is now in three phases as follows:

Muldoon Road Pedestrian and Landscaping Improvements.

The project is a federally-funded transportation enhancement project. Lounsbury has been working on the project since 2000. We have worked in conjunction with a Citizen's advisory committee since that time.

The design effort is now nearing completion.

Phase I will go to construction this summer. Phase I will construct the much-needed pathway between 20th Avenue and 16th Avenue on the East side of Muldoon Road. A portion of that project is a terraced retaining wall with many new trees and plants. The project will include some utility relocation. Utility relocation will probably start in late June/early July. Wall construction will probably follow 3-5 weeks later.

Phase I will probably be completed this summer, but some clean up and/or plantings may carry over to 2004.

Phase II had also been planned for this summer, and hopefully that will still happen. However, due to some right-of-way difficulties, the design team is working to reconfigure Phase II to make sure the project can go forward this year. We will take action to make sure the funds are locked in before the end of the federal fiscal year.

Phase III was always planned for 2004. At this time, it appears that the portions of Phase II north of 6th Avenue may be delayed because of right-of-way concerns and will probably become a part of Phase III. To make that adjustment, the trees and planting beds that had been a portion of Phase III south of DeBarr Road will probably be moved into Phase II.

We will provide an update on the Phase II/III issue as soon as we can.

OLD BUSINESS:

Turpin Road Project – The final design has gone to the Urban Design Commission for review. Hoping to begin construction this summer, however three properties are compromised in the plan and if any one of these 3 property owners take legal action, the project could be held up indefinitely. This is a federally funded project which will go out to bid in March. Construction impacts will only be 30day for completion except for installation of signal.

Vacation of Patterson Right of Way from 6th to Debarr – Still on hold by MOA, NECC Executive Board is still working on it.

Creekside Community Park –no report

East Side Transportation Study: Northeast Community Council area is still the target area for one of the 3 new “Bus Hubs” as well as street planning/modification to alleviate traffic congestion. The major bulk of congestion is on the East/West transits. The old plan to put the “Rasmusson Freeway” in along the Eastern Border of the Campbell Tract to Eagle River is back in discussion. A motion was made and carried as follows: “Northeast Community Council does not support any new roads or freeways east of Muldoon Road. Motion passed. Second motion made that “Scenic Foothills Community Councils is against any further roads or highways east of Muldoon Road.” was also passed at their recent meeting.

NEW BUSINESS -

Further discussion entailed public education by doing door hanger and/or a “Compass” piece in the newspaper.

