

**Minutes of the Tudor Area Community Council**  
**Sept. 7, 2006**  
**Rogers Park Elementary School**

Sheli Dodson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM. There were 14 members and six guests attending. The council approved the minutes for the May 4, 2006, meeting without objection.

Bill Strickler, DOWL Engineers' project engineering lead, spoke about the Lake Otis Pkwy. and Tudor Rd. improvements. The preliminary engineering report is due to the Muni and State Dept. of Transportation in late September. The improvement design has not been completed. He estimates that the next public meeting will be held sometime in the November 2006 to March 2007 timeframe. Council members asked about the project noise study and communication with affected business owners. Both are continuing efforts by the project engineering team. UAA has expressed no interest in the project.

Dick Traini gave the Assembly report. The new restrictions on smoking in public will go into effect in July 2007. Mr. Traini spoke about the Wal-Mart development on Muldoon Rd. He said that Planning and Zoning Commission (P&Z) had voted against the new stores, and that the Assembly will take up the issue. Eight affirmative votes are needed for the Assembly to overturn P&Z. He said that Wal-Mart threatened to "uglify" their new stores if the Muni did not approve Wal-Mart's requested zoning changes. In other matters, the Muni budget is coming due for review, and the lots where the new Fire Station 4 will sit are up for replatting into one parcel. In response to a question by the Council president, Mr. Traini expressed a positive view of a community meeting room in the fire station. He also said that "Joey's Bar" on Tudor was not owned by Curt Nading, and that the new bar operation appeared to be much quieter than Mr. Nading's "Call of the Wild" bar had been in the same location.

State Rep. Berta Gardner said that there would probably not be another special session of the Legislature. She noted that the environmental assessment for the New Seward Hwy. expansion has been released for public comment. She will include the Internet web address (URL) for the project in her next newsletter. Council members discussed alternative forms of public transportation. Iris Matthews, State Sen. John Ellis' representative, said that he would be back in town starting this weekend. Tom Obermeyer, from State Sen. Betty Davis' office, asked that council members keep the legislative offices informed of local actions, particularly for funding.

Council members said there recently have been break-in house burglaries in Geneva Woods and on S. Salem Dr. A teenager was caught in the Geneva Woods case. A small group of people entered a house on South Salem through a back door left unlocked by the homeowner, taking consumer electronics, jewelry, and liquor. Homeowners on Crescent Drive discovered marks left by people trying to force open doors. The Council chair brought up the Neighborhood Watch program, with the idea that now might be a good time to try to organize a local Neighborhood Watch.

Sgt. Cindy Stanton presented the Police Dept. report. She spent the summer on patrol, due to a shortage of officers. She is now back on community liaison. Mr. Butler asked if APD tried to link kids with previous criminal involvement to local burglaries. Sgt. Stanton said that APD has a task force looking at burglaries on the Hillside. She emphasized that it really helps APD to make cases against suspects when owners mark their property with a serial number or other unique identification mark. Neighborhood Watch is a good way to educate neighborhoods on how to help reduce homeowner vulnerabilities and to provide some measure of protection for the neighborhood. She said there is little chance for any increase in the level of neighborhood patrols because of the high number of responses now taking place and because of manpower shortages.

Deborah Bauer, Community Councils Center Manager, talked about the Federation of Community Councils (FCC), explaining some of the structure for community councils in Anchorage. It's the FCC that gets Muni funding to support all of the community councils. Tudor Area Community Council lacks an FCC representative at the moment, since our previous rep., Diane Etter, has left the state. The council Chair asked for volunteers to attend the monthly FCC meeting. If anyone is interested, please let Sheli know. Her contact info is listed below.

Old Business:

David Green Park:

Connie Quinley said that a group had come to the park before 7 A.M. with loudspeakers and had proceeded to use them, loudly. She reported the problem to the Parks and Rec. department, and was told to report noise problems to the police department. Other people have staked out picnic tables as early as 6 A.M. for their exclusive use during the day. Several council members felt that Parks & Rec. has not been effective in dealing with parking, noise, dog owners leaving messes, and conflicting uses of the park. The Council will work on potential solutions and invite Parks & Rec. to a council meeting to

discuss possible actions. Deb Bauer said it helps to document the problems. Keep reporting legal violations to the police dept.

Problem Houses on MacInnes:

The house used for commercial flower distribution now has a large commercial truck parked there. While businesses are allowed to be operated from residential houses, council members basic concerns are possible zoning code violations and the unsightly appearance of the property. Members and guests discussed possible courses of action to remedy concerns.

The house at 3903 MacInnes has been sold. The new owners have spent a lot of time cleaning up the yard and working on repairs. Bravo!

New Business:

There being no new business, the chair adjourned the meeting at 9:02 PM.

**Agenda**  
**October 5, 2006**  
**Tudor Area Community Council**  
**Rogers Park Elementary School – Library**  
**7:00 PM**

**Call to order**

**Approval of minutes**

**Assembly report**

**Guest Speakers**

DOWL Engineers, Tudor/Lake Otis project

**Legislative report**

**APD report**

**Federation of Community Councils report**

**Old Business:**

**New business:**

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