

# Taku Campbell Community Council

Council Boundaries: International Airport to 92<sup>nd</sup>  
 between Old Seward Hwy and Minnesota

Chair: Don Peacock

## “Letter from the President”

**H**ello again. Our monthly council meeting to be held May 8th at 7:00 PM at Taku Elementary School will be the last monthly meeting until September 2003. I have requested that our council be permitted to use the School Library at Taku on the second Thursday of each month commencing with September; hopefully, the request will be granted. Throughout the summer months we plan to hold our Steering Committee meetings at Cafe Vivachi on King Street and Dimond, every Saturday morning at 8:30 AM.

Since April 17th we have been very busy addressing the DOT trail construction project in Taku Lake Park. As part of the C Street improvement project DOT is beginning construction of a bridge over Campbell Creek to extend the C Street trailway through Taku Lake Park. Trees have been cleared and fill applied.

This “bridge” will actually be a straight wooden ramp on steel pilings that is approximately 100 yards long and 15 feet wide with a rise in elevation of over 30 feet. The bridge begins on C Street at a point where the trail is significantly higher in elevation than the trail at Taku Lake Park and ramps down in a straight line to a point near the edge of Taku Lake.

We believe we have a real safety issue with the design and invite you to have a look before our general meeting on May 8<sup>th</sup>. The construction site is located in the NNW area of the park.

Our Steering Committee is following several issues closely such as the nude entertainment businesses and their impact on the high school environment, the Self-storage Ordinance due to come before the P&Z Commission on **June 16th**, and the proposed CEA high voltage transmission line planned to run along the ARRC corridor through our council area. The amendment of the Municipal corridor plan will be coming before the assembly on **May 20<sup>th</sup>**. Please come out to testify on behalf of your council.

Be sure and attend our council’s monthly meeting on May 8th and learn more about what we can do to make our council area a more safe, clean, and enjoyable place to live.

Don Peacock, President

The TCCC general membership meeting will be held on **Thursday May 8th at 7:00 pm in the Taku Elementary School Library located at 701 E. 72<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99518.**

## 7:00 PM ON THURSDAY, MAY 8th

### Agenda

**Call to Order:** Chair - Don Peacock

**Welcome & Introduction:**

**Legislative Teleconference:**

**Presidents Report:**

**Secretaries Report:**

**Treasurers Report:**

**Old Business:**

- Prioritizing the TCCC Capital Improvement List
- Update and ratification on council's position regarding the CEA utility issue

**Presentations:**

- **Assembly update** – *Doug Van Etten & Dick Traini*
- **Trails, railroads and utility write-of-ways Sharing Corridors for Transportation and Recreation;** *National Park Service*
- **Safety issues surrounding the re-activation of the airport spur, as well as the activation of the double track in south Anchorage this summer;** *Alaska Railroad Corporation*
- **Park improvements at Taku Lake Park;** *MOA Parks & Recreation Department*
- **Creating private partnerships for park and trail development;** *Rabbit Creek Community Council*
- **Update on DOT trail construction project in Taku Lake Park**
- **Future trail improvements for the Campbell Creek Greenbelt;** *MOA Project Engineering Mgmt.*

**Adjournment:** by 9:30 pm

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## Self-storage Ordinance

Case 2002-062 has been rescheduled to go before the Planning and Zoning Commission on **June 16, 2003**. Contact Rebecca Roberts at 229-6137 for more information.

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

At the May 8<sup>th</sup> general meeting we will prioritize the following CIP projects. Results must be conveyed to the Municipality of Anchorage by mid-May. **Your vote is needed to make this process successful.**

### Current CIP list:

- "C" Street Grade-Separated Crossing
- Arctic Boulevard Grade-Separated Crossing
- International Airport Rd @ New Seward Hwy - Grade Separation
- Dowling Rd Extension/Reconstruction - Minnesota to Old Seward
- Arctic Blvd Surface Rehab - Tudor to Raspberry Rd.
- C St. Reconstruction Phase III - Dimond to O'Malley (currently in design)
- Raspberry Rd. Extension - Arctic to C St. (MOA)
- Raspberry Rd. Minnesota to Arctic (DOT/MOA)
- Extend Trail Lights to East of New Seward Hwy.
- Old Seward/ International Airport Rd. Area Storm Reconstruction
- Redesign of Renaissance Village Subdivision entry to provide transition from industrial zone (I-1) into the neighborhood (R-2M)
- TCCC Area Pavement Rehabilitation
- Sylvan Drive Rehabilitation
- Austin Avenue Rehabilitation
- Dimond Blvd. Rehabilitation - Jewel Lake to Seward Hwy
- 74<sup>th</sup> Street - Arctic to Rovenna - Pedestrian Safety Corridor
- New Seward Hwy Improvements - Rabbit Creek Rd. To 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue (currently in design)
- 75<sup>th</sup> Street Paving – from Arctic Blvd West to end of 75<sup>th</sup>
- 68<sup>th</sup> Street Flyover – to ease East/West travel

### Municipal Corridor Plan Amendment-

Chugach Electric Association needs to build a 134-Kv power transmission line from their facility at International and Minnesota to a to-be-built substation south of Dimond Blvd. near 96<sup>th</sup> Avenue west of Old Seward Hwy. They have two existing routes they can use. CEA is asking the Assembly to approve a third route, along the Alaska Railroad on 85-foot high towers 300-feet apart. The proposed high voltage transmission line is planned to run through the TCCC council area including the Dimond Center business and commercial district. The proposed line will impact 49 property owners located along the rail corridor. **TCCC invites you to give public comment.**

## Federation of Community Councils Community Discussion and Strategy Session

April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2003 - Meeting Summary

Over 50 people representing Community Councils convened at the BP Energy Center for a discussion about the Federation of Community Councils (FCC) role and effectiveness, and how this relates to Community Councils. The discussion at the April 5<sup>th</sup> meeting was constructive and productive.

Prior to the session, four general questions were emailed to Community Council members from the lists at the FCC office /center. The purpose of the questions were to "take the pulse" of Community Councils. The questions posed were:

- What should the modern role of the community councils be and how can the FCC facilitate and strengthen that role?
- What are the top 3 challenges for your community council?
- If these challenges were successfully addressed, how would your community council be enhanced?
- What kind of assistance would help you to address these challenges?

### Key next steps were defined as:

- FCC Standing Committees (Executive, Personnel and Finance) should take the "first cut" at developing a "game plan" to address the issues that surfaced at the April 5<sup>th</sup> Discussion, including the suggestion that Committees be formed to address the four major areas identified:
  - Community Education and Communications
  - Key Short and Long Term Growth Issues
  - FCC Role, Structure, and Operations
  - Relationship, Role, and Credibility with MOA
- Provide a meeting summary to the participants and to the FCC Delegates at their next meeting.
- Reconvene the group (and others are welcome too) in about 6 weeks to review proposed "game plan" from the FCC Standing Committees.)

## NOTICE of Public Hearing Municipal Corridor Amendment Municipal Assembly

Assembly Chambers, Z.J. Loussac Library  
3600 Denali Street  
Tuesday, May 20 2003, 6:00 pm  
(Meeting Televised On Channel 10)

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**Creek Clean-up - May 17, 2003**

The Anchorage Waterways Council has seventeen meeting sites where folks will meet to collect bags, gloves, and information on where to find the garbage.

The clean up takes place May 17, from 9:00am to 1:00pm. After the cleanup, volunteers will meet at the Valley of the Moon Park to celebrate their hard work, clean creeks and spring! Food entertainment and awards will be provided at the celebration. This is the 20th year!!!

**Three ways to volunteer:**

1. Volunteer or staff the following locations: Rabbit Creek, Westchester Lagoon, Chester Creek at Muldoon Elementary, Chester Creek at the Anchorage Baptist Temple and **Taku Lake. Taku Lake area needs a coordinator.**
2. Sign up a team from your neighborhood, church or business (request a sign up form from Anchorage Waterways Council at 230-9688)
3. Show up to the following locations on May 17 and dig in and clean.

For more information, call DeeAnn Apgar at 230-9688.

**Meeting Locations for Creek Cleaners in the TCCC area:**

Campbell Creek (east): The Peanut Farm at the intersection of Old Seward and International.

Campbell Creek (west): Campbell Creek park on Dimond east of Arlene Street.

Taku Lake: Entrance off King Street near 76th Avenue.

**West Dowling Road Extention Project Construction Connection - Open House**

*\* Drop by either session any time \* Talk to staff \* \* Give us your input on the alternative concept maps\**

**MID-DAY MEETING:** Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2003 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Alaska Seafood International, The Great Alaskan Seafood Company Main Lobby, 6689 Seafood Drive.

**EVENING MEETING:** Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2003 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Campbell elementary School, Multi-purpose Room 7206 Rovenna Street.

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For more information, call DeAnn Agan at 230-9888.

Meeting locations for Creek Cleaners in the TCCC area: Campbell Creek (west): The Peasant Farm at the intersection of Old Seeward and International. Campbell Creek (west): Campbell Creek park on Diamond east of

John Lake, entrance off Kmy Street near 78th Avenue.

### Taku Campbell Councils:

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**NEXT MEETING:**  
**MAY 8**  
**7 pm**

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