

Officers *(Term Expires EOY)*

Pres. – Sharon Gibbons (2020)
V. Pres. – Chuck Homan (2020)
Sec. – Jamin Goecker (2021)
Treas. – Julie Ebben (2020)

**Directors** *(Term Expires)*

Jason Hemphill (2020)
Morris Pickel Jr. (2021)
Jamin Goecker (2021)

**EAGLE RIVER COMMUNITY
COUNCIL
12001 Business Blvd. #123
EAGLE RIVER, ALASKA 99577**

Minutes

Thursday, September 10, 2020

**12001 Business Blvd., Room 170 conference room
(Next to the Eagle River Library)**

Call to order – 7 PM

Establish Quorum**Approval of Agenda****Adjustment to minutes:****Membership Introductions****Reports**

- ☐ Meeting Minutes: July 2020 to be approved
 - Agreement to alter Assemblywoman Allard's comment to "purchasing" buildings instead of "constructing" them.
- ☐ Treasurer Report: Julie Ebben
- ☐ Parks & Rec: Camila
 - Parks and Rec continues searching for locations for a cemetery in the Eagle River area. Cliff Cook discussed six possible locations for the cemetery and they are being reviewed by the Heritage Land Bank.
 - Also, raising funds to replace the sound system at the Mac Center is being discussed. Until required paperwork is filled out, the sound system project will be delayed.
- ☐ Road Board: Jason Hemphill
 - Nothing to report. The next meeting is September 28th.
- ☐ Advisory Board: Mike Foster
 - No meeting this month
- ☐ Federation Community Councils: Sharon Gibbons
 - No meeting this month
- ☐

Guest Speakers

- MTA, Jackie, she's here as a community partner to continue working with us
- 50, Angus McGregor, Beech Tree Diagnostics, Utah place
 - Beech Tree Diagnostics is building a \$3 million laboratory for Covid-19 testing that will be able to have the results back within 48 hours and with 98% accuracy. They will hire approximately 50 Eagle River residents to assist with the testing center. The proposed location will be across the Glenn Highway from Armory.

Assembly/Legislative Updates

- ☐ MOA Assembly update (Assemblywoman Chrystal Kennedy, Jamie Allard)

Assemblywoman Allard

- In reference to the sound system in the Mac Center, Allard pointed out that the required funds of \$18,000 was raised and then because it was a Municipal Building the required amount rose to \$65,000. Due to concerns on how Parks and Rec is operating, Allard will be meeting with Parks and Rec on September 11 to discuss how it is being run.
- Allard brought a suit against the Assembly in an attempt to render anything passed in August null and void.
- The Assembly passed AO-65.
- The Assembly did not pass AO 20.20, which would have put a lot of restrictions on what police officers can do with their firearms because it might harm bystanders. The legislation is coming back as a Resolution in an attempt to circumvent opposition.

☐ Legislative update

Rep. Merrick

- Merrick, 47, she was invited to the forum about AO 2020-85. They were introduced to new candidates who won in ER, encouraging constituents to stay engaged with the political process. She mentioned a possible session in September, not likely they'll be back by end of the year.
- The Division of elections needs poll workers. Minimum pay but it is important. Learn more on the Division of Elections website.

Community Updates

☐ Anchorage School Board update

Deena Mitchell (virtually)

- They are working to be adaptable to the situation and preparing for a hybrid-model school. Teachers are doing their best with the remote format, but the platforms have been overloaded. Classrooms are going well but sometimes struggling.
- Construction on Gruening is progressing, hopefully by next year it will be complete.

☐ Eagle River Community Patrol update

Cliff Cook

- Reported hours is 35 with 501 miles driven. No real changes this year. APD says crime is going down and that has been seen in Eagle River, with the exception of one armed robbery. Keep garage doors shut. Other than that, pretty quiet.

☐ Chugiak\Eagle River Library General Update (Nancy Clark)

- Not present

Presentation

Old Business

New Business

- ☐ Chuck Homan: Anchorage Title 23 is being updated with significant code changes that will increase the cost building homes and home additions in our area. The code requires fire sprinklers in homes located more than 600' from a fire hydrant. Title 23 applies to the entire Municipality of Anchorage and so incorporates Eagle River. The Council voted on and passed a resolution in opposition of including the new requirement from the International Building Code.

Comments from Eagle River Community Council Membership/Guests

- ☐ 3 Minutes each (time permitting)

Upcoming Events

- ☐ *CBERRRSA Board of Supervisors* monthly meeting:
- ☐ *Parks and Rec Board of Supervisors* monthly meeting:
- ☐ *FCC meeting: TBD*

Adjournment

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Important Dates (2019/2020)

- ☐ **April 9th, 2020**
 - ☐ Monthly meeting
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- ☐ **May 14th, 2020**
 - ☐ Monthly meeting
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- ☐ **June 11th, 2020**
 - ☐ Monthly meeting
- ☐ **July 9th, 2020**
 - ☐ Monthly meeting
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- ☐ **August 13th, 2020**
 - ☐ Monthly meeting
- ☐ **September 10th, 2020**
 - ☐ Monthly meeting
- ☐ **October 8th, 2020**
 - ☐ Monthly meeting
- ☐ **November 12th, 2020**
 - ☐ Monthly meeting
- ☐ **December 10th, 2020**
 - ☐ Monthly meeting