

**MEETING MINUTES**  
Thursday, September, 2020, 7:00 p.m.  
Via Zoom

1. **CALL TO ORDER** (Quorum 5+ Elected Board Members) 7:00 PM
2. **INTRODUCTIONS** (Board Members / Presenters / Guests from outside the Chugiak Community Council area)
  - Darryl Parks, President (Fire Lake) ..... Present ☒ Excused ☐ Absent ☐
  - Blake Merrifield, Vice President (E. Peters Creek/ Mirror Lake)..... Present ☒ Excused ☐ Absent ☐
  - Tom Looney, Secretary (at large)..... Present ☒ Excused ☐ Absent ☐
  - Burke Wonnell, Treasurer (Eklutna/Thunderbird)..... Present ☒ Excused ☐ Absent ☐
  - Jake Horazdovsky (at large)..... Present ☒ Excused ☐ Absent ☐
  - Vacant (E. Peters Creek/Mirror Lake)..... Present ☐ Excused ☐ Absent ☐
  - Leslie Echols (W. Peters Creek/Mirror Lake)..... Present ☐ Excused ☐ Absent ☐
  - Rashae Johnson (W. Peters Creek/Mirror Lake)..... Present ☐ Excused ☐ Absent ☐
  - Vincent English (alternate, at large)..... Present ☐ Excused ☐ Absent ☐
  - Harold Parker (alternate, at large)..... Present ☐ Excused ☐ Absent ☐

No Quorum as of 7:06 , meeting started without Quorum, no business to be transacted, quorum reached at approx.. 7:15 with arrival of Jake Horazdovsky.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – August  
No minutes from August meeting
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
  - Moved by Jake Horazdovsky Seconded by Matt Cruickshank Choose an item.  
Passed Unanimously
5. **UPDATES**
  - Chugiak Fire, Chief Benningfield
    - Busy week, fire in Peters Creek at Luthern Church
    - 91 incidents last month
    - River of Life Church on Voyles, total loss 2am
    - Residential Sprinkler system discussion:
      - 2 years ago proposed waterline that would have included hydrants was not
      - If you are subdividing property you need to provide hydrants or the residential sprinkler systems would be required
  - Legislative
    - Shelly Hughes –
      - Buddy Whitt chief of staff is also on
        - Listening regarding DOT Construction on new ER Bridge, open to suggestions on new items
      - Lot of Community Council activities
      - Turning lights on Glenn Hwy. wants CCC feedback on whether we want the lights left on. Yes, Yes, Yes keep the lights on.
        - DOT is receptive to suggestions (Buddy Whitt).
  - Assembly
    - Crystal Kennedy (Anchorage Assembly) –

- Cares act funding approved by the Assembly is being revamped, because the MOA is reprioritizing some of the original allocations, Dept of Treasury has provided addition guidance. Some money will be used to forward fund first responders. Frees up \$40M, and will be used by the Assembly to pay for some of the originally approved items.
  - MOA website has a pretty good description of Cares Act funding and ways to access the money if needed
  - Will Tagen asked about CER project funding for shovel ready. Crystal said they were intended to employ people.
  - Regular budget process starting soon,
    - Alcohol tax structure
    - Changing tax on personal tax to property and business owners shifting property and inventory tax
- **ASD –**
  - Deena Mitchell
    - Delegated by School Board to represent the Board in Communication with the ER/Chugiak area.
    - Online school is going much better this year versus last spring. Starting to plan for return to in school learning as soon as Oct 19. Starting with elementary school students. Teachers are significantly more prepared this year.
- CER Cemetery – Tom Looney
  - The MOA through the Heritage Land Bank is processing through and initial GIS study of available lands in the CER area. 4 prospective properties in the Heritage Land Bank/MOA holdings are being reviewed for initial suitability, and 5 Eklutna owned properties. Some of the properties will be carried to the next phase which will include public meetings for comments. The meetings will hopefully occur in the next couple of months, Covid allowing...

#### 6. **GUEST PRESENTATIONS** (limited to 15 Min)

- Eklutna Inc/ Rock Alaska Quarry – LaQuita Chmielowski Land use planning manager, DOWL
  - Presented overview of development project.
  - Sept 19 will be applying for variance

#### 7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Unfilled seats
  - East Peters Creek/Mirror Lake – Will Tagen volunteered, no other nominations or volunteers, Will was unanimously elected.
- Parks Sub Station
  - MEA is planning an upgrade to the existing substation, making it substantially larger.
  - Rod xx presented an alternative site and is seeking CCC support via resolution.
  - Julie Etsey representing MEA discussed the alternative site, and stated that they have a revision to the originally planned location that is substantially smaller and provides separation screening on all sides. She said that the proposed alternative site was considered early in the project but it has significantly more negative impact when required upgrades to the distribution network are also considered.
    - Discussion on pro/cons of the alternative site. Julie said they will review and com
  - Dan xx said the surrounding property owners did not agree to the expansion. And that the new distribution lines would be buried in the existing right of way. Looking to see MEA's next proposed (reduced size) plan.
  - Steve Wisdorff (adjacent property owner) uploaded proposal. Is there future growth in feeder lines???

- Darryl suggested that we will not support either side with a resolution at this time. Jake Horazdovsky suggested that we need to maintain our support for our previous resolution for the substation location so that MEA can move on and get the project done. Matt Cruickshank pointed out that we need to be cautious making resolutions on projects in their community council area.

- Thunderbird Falls Safety
  - No discussion

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

## 9. REPORTS:

- CBERRSA - Blake Merrifield
  - Have not met since May, meeting next week
  - Completion of Voyles pedestrian pathway and topsoil
  - Drainage and overlay work concluding
  - Darryl Parks, discussed traffic calming and the potential to get the MOA out to study locations. He did receive one from a local resident. Could do areawide bonding for traffic calming projects if necessary. We do not currently have funding for these types of projects. Crystal Kennedy noted that MOA traffic may limited with some of these projects and it may required CBERRSA to seek a bond to fund areawide traffic calming projects.
- CER Advisory board – Jake Horazdovsky
  - Meeting this Saturday at noon via Zoom regarding residential sprinkler systems
- Federation of Community Councils (FCC), Darryl Parks
  - Crystal Kennedy covered much of the information.
  - MOA is trying to get Covid funds out.
  - [Voted to extend meeting for 15 minutes Jake made the motion, Blake seconded, passed.]
  - More issues with the homeless/panhandling being discussed in community councils
- Financial – Burke Wonnell
  - No comments
- Parks and Recreation Board of Supervisors –Will Taygen
  - Parks working on dozen different local projects. New project includes earthquake damage a Lorretta French sledding hill (\$750k), could impact archery range
  - Homestead road undeveloped park, APD does not enforce codes. Neighbor is dumping materials on public property. Parks may be seeking claim against property owner.
  - Cares funding for shovel ready projects, uncertain where the money is and how available it may be for local projects.
  - Parks and Rec looked at hot mopped lake for skating. Cost was excessive (\$30k), so it may not happen.
- Secretary – Tom Looney
  - No comments
- General Council Business – Darryl Parks
  - Will continue meeting via Zoom. Limited currently to meetings size of 30 participants.

## 10. OPEN FORUM

- Jake propose that we pass a resolution denouncing the moving around of CARES funding where it is not going to the intended recipients (small businesses and individuals). Jack Frost seconded.
  - Discussion Crystal said the Treasury said we could forward fund payroll for first responders. So MOA is moving the money to pay for APD and AFD costs, which then freed up \$41M to pay for homeless shelters and etc.
  - Motion withdrawn after discussion.

## 11. NEXT MEETING DATE:

- The next scheduled meeting is Thursday, October 15th, 7:00 PM

12. ADJOURNMENT:

- Moved by Jake Horazdovsky seconded by Will Taygan Choose an item. 9:15 PM