

**Officers** *(Term Expires EOY)*

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

**Directors** *(Term Expires)*

Camila Hussein-Scott (2021)  
Morris Pickel Jr. (2021)  
Jason Hemphill (2021)

**EAGLE RIVER COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

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

**Minutes**

**Thursday, October 8, 2020**

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

**Call to order – 7 PM**

**Establish Quorum**

**Approval of Agenda**

**Membership Introductions**

**Report**

- Meeting Minutes: September 2020 to be approved
- Treasurer Report: Julie Ebben
  - Report remains the same
- Parks & Rec: Camila Hussein
  - Absent
- Road Board: Jason Hemphill
  - Absent
- Advisory Board: Mike Foster
  - Absent
- Federation Community Councils: Sharon Gibbons
  - Utilize the FCC website to learn more about FCC meetings.

**Guest Speakers**

**Assembly/Legislative Updates**

- MOA Assembly update (Chrystal Kennedy, Jamie Allard)
  - The Alcohol tax was implemented in February and so now the debate will be on how that money will be spent. Kennedy was disappointed in how the

Administration is proposing to divide up the funds for that tax, as most of it is going to the Health Department when there are some public safety needs that need to be addressed.

- There is talk about putting a tax levy on the ballot about body cam for the APD. There are numerous issues concerning privacy before this can be implemented.
- The CARES funding has been allocated. There will be another \$10 million brought towards the Assembly to be used for local businesses. Allard and Kennedy attempted to have this past before but the Assembly voted it down and then the Assembly proposed this again. The MOA has a large amount of information concerning Covid-19 and CARES funding on the muni website.
- The MOA is considering make it a requirement for new construction homes that are more than 600 feet from a fire hydrant to be required to have a sprinkler system installed. Chuck Homan testified and stressed that this measure will add a great expense for the consumer. The Ordinance was postponed until November 27 for another public hearing.
- Legislative update (Sen. Reinbold, Rep. Jackson, Rep. Merrick)
  - Rep. Jackson, expressed that it has been an honor serving here. She will be working to help community anyway she can. Angus from Beech Tree spoke her, pleasure to entice them to come out here and help them with hiring 50-100 people in Eagle River.

### **Community Updates**

- Anchorage School Board update (Deena Mitchell)
  - ASD continues to be shut down and hopes to be reopened at the beginning of the year. ASD wants to reopen safely and they are concerned with becoming a vector for the virus. Decision makers continue to look at CDC and MOA guidelines and monitor the 14-day average for for cases and the cases per 100,000. They are also considering their ability to social distance, perform contact tracing and other preventative measures.
  - Attending members of the Council pointed out that the schools remaining shut down puts more children at risk because school is where child abuse is at risk and that the number of suicides is on the rise. There is a need for a cost-benefit analysis.
  - Mitchell pointed out that two thirds of the Teachers Union said they would not go back to teach.
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- Eagle River Community Patrol update (Cliff Cook/John Rathert)
  - Cook, For September, 37 hours, 430 miles. There was a lightbulb bandit. Between 2AM-4AM, people going around stealing holiday lights or lightbulbs around garages. There is a theory that the culprit might be removing bulbs to see what bulbs are not being replaced.
  - Additionally, APD is starting their attendance at Community Council meetings again.
  - In response to a question from the previous month, prostitution in Eagle River

has been going on for years, though not at a high level and it has not increased.

- Chugiak/Eagle River Library General Update (Nancy Clark)
  - Absent

## **Presentation**

### **MTA**

- Nothing to report but here with community

### **Old Business**

- Cliff Cook (2021) Director resignation / Seat is OPEN
- 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 even though we are outside of the Building Safety Service Area. With the significant impact to property owners in the area is this a topic that should be addressed by the Chugiak-Eagle River Advisory Board.

### **New Business**

- Jim Canitiz is running for District 13. Lived here 23 years, asked to serve, running to give an option. He believes in a robust PFD and in fair representation for all people. Need to postpone capital projects. Need to invest in Permanent Fund.
- Robbins is running for Mayor of Anchorage and he believes that Anchorage is suffering from an Administration that has an agenda that does not include the people. He encouraged participants to visit his website at [Robbinsformayor.com](http://Robbinsformayor.com) or his Facebook page for more information.

### **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 (2020/2021)**

- **December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
Monthly meeting
- **January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021**  
Monthly meeting