## Minutes of the Tudor Area Community Council December 7, 2006 Rogers Park Elementary School

Sheli Dodson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM. There were five members and three guests attending. The council approved the minutes for the Nov. 2, 2006, meeting without objection.

The president announced that she is writing a letter to the Municipality requesting that \$40,000 to \$50,000 be used for park enforcement. The letter is based on the council's discussion at the November meeting with Assemblyman Traini and Teri Peters, Muni Parks & Rec. Dept. Ms. Dodson will ask that enforcement emphasis be placed on David Green Park.

<u>Scheduled speakers</u>: There was no assembly report. DOWL Engineers said that they had no new information on Lake Otis and Tudor and postponed their presentation until January 2007. Kate Herring of State Sen. Ellis' office said that they were packing for the move to Juneau. Iris Matthews, Rep. Gardner's assistant, said they were also preparing to move. They are working on bills for legislative disclosure and ethics reform, and gift card fees and charges. The members present discussed the mechanics of gift cards and state ownership of unclaimed accounts. Ms. Matthews said that there was a meeting on the Midtown District Plan last week. The Tudor Area council is outside the official Midtown district, but the effects of what happens within Midtown will certainly affect the Tudor area.

There was no APD report. Assemblyman Traini was attending a League of Cities meeting is in Reno, Nev., according to Alisa Jemmett, Mr. Traini's assistant. She also reported that AM Coffey had a heart attack but is doing well.

Sheli Dodson provided a recap of the Federation of Community Councils (FCC) meeting. The minutes of their meeting are available at <u>http://www.communitycouncils.org</u>. She also described a community alert on the Craigslist website about women who were being accosted in parking lots in town. Sheli said that Dianne Holmes, Rabbit Creek Community Council, wanted to have the Anchorage Town Square named in honor of Ruth Moulton, who was instrumental in getting the Town Square dedicated to that use.

## Old Business:

David Green Park: The President wrote APD Chief Rob Huen and asked him to increase the number of police patrols of David Green Park. She also invited him to attend a Tudor Area council meeting so that he could hear our concerns first hand. Ms. Dodson will write a letter to Mr. Jeff Dillon, Director of Muni Parks and Recreation, in appreciation of the efforts that Ms. Teri Peters, northeast parks manager, has put forth. Teri has made several presentations to the TACC, and participated in a lengthy discussion at last month's TACC meeting. Iris Matthews reported that the Boy Scouts are working on a trail around the wetlands at the park.

The Chair has discussed having a joint meeting with Russian Jack and Spenard community councils in January or February to share mutual problems council members are having with a few park users and to discuss possible solutions. She said that there would be a Neighborhood Watch meeting on Jan. 4.

The President also said that the Lubavitch Jewish Center of Alaska would be making presentations to community councils on the project they intend to build at 36<sup>th</sup> Ave. and MacInnes St, across 36<sup>th</sup> Ave. from David Green Park. It will be a museum and synagogue. They currently have a mikvah (a pool of water for religious rituals) at the site.

The Center reportedly has gotten some state funding for the museum from House Speaker John Harris. Council members and guests later discussed verbal reports that the Center wants to swap Municipal parkland at the 36<sup>th</sup> Ave. and MacInnes site for other property they own so that the new site will have enough room for their museum. The project reportedly will include eighty parking spaces. (More info when it's available.)

## New Business:

The council will elect officers at the January meeting. All positions are open seats at this election. The secretary will send notice of the election through the Federation of Community Council's Center. The bylaws require overlapping tenure, so three positions will be for two years and two positions will be for one year.

The Taku/Campbell council objects to the Anchorage water utility's rate increases. They feel that the rate increase is a tax issue and want support from other councils opposing the increase. The secretary will find out what information the utility has to support the rate increase and report next meeting.

Heather Ireland, Rogers Park Community Council president, is concerned about Chugach Electric power line upgrades. She will be gathering information about what Chugach Electric plans to do.

There being no further business, the chair adjourned the meeting at 8:03 PM.

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