



Officers (*Term Expires EOY*)
Pres. – Morris Pickel Jr. (2024)
V. Pres. – Chuck Homan (2023)
Sec - Camilla Hussein-Scott (2024)
Treas. – Vacant (2023)

Directors (*Term Expires EOY*)
Sean Murphy (2023)
Cliff Cook (2024)
Michelle Banfield (2023)

EAGLE RIVER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

12001 Business Blvd. #107
Eagle River, Alaska 99577

MINUTES

January 12, 2023
6:30 – 8:30 PM

Call to order – 6:30

Establish Quorum: Established

Attendance: Chuck Homan – Michelle Banfield – Jim Pickel –Sean Murphy – Gordy Banfield – Carl Jacobs.
Camilla Hussein-Scott (excused absence)
Cliff Cook (excused absence)

Approval of Agenda: Approved

Approval of Minutes: Approved

Membership Introductions

Reports

- Treasurer Report: \$65
- Parks & Rec: Camilla Hussein-Scott:
 - No cemetery vote on this round of ballots.
 - Adding Alaska Capital Budget Requests to the next meeting's agenda.
 - Last year, Kelly Merrick found state funding to fix the state-managed bike path along Eagle River Road at the request of the CER BOS. We recommended this section as it connects local schools and muni-managed parks. Although we expect less funding this year, a list of projects is vital as the budget is shifted.
 - CER BOS is mandated with developing a network of greenbelt trails in CER in partnership with private landowners and Chugach State Park. This complements and integrates with the CBERRRSA and DOT non-motorized transportation networks.
 - If we have other state-level capital requests that complement our local projects, they must be submitted **before February 15.**
- Road Board: Chuck Homan:
 - Snow removal costs are explained with berms, without berms, and no berms in 24 hours.
 - CIP.

- Starner Bridge is a priority, and the design is being done.
- Advisory Board:
- Federation Community Councils: Morris Pickel
 - Assessments are out and coming on white cards
 - Comprehensive information on the website: <https://www.communitycouncils.org/>
 - Eagle River website: <https://communitycouncils.org/servlet/content/11.html>

Guest Speakers N/A

Assembly/Legislative Updates

- MOA Assembly update (Kevin Cross, Robin Dern) - Not in Attendance
- Legislative update (Senator Kelly Merrick – Rep. Jamie Allard – Rep. Dan Saddler) - Not in Attendance
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Presentation N/A

Community Updates

- Anchorage School Board update (Carl Jacobs)
 - Amended budget items,
 - ASD Virtual,
 - Use of Fund Balance to fill the gap,
 - Approved closure of Abbott loop,
 - No change to ignite or gifted,
 - 6 grade moving to middle school is being moved forward, and
 - Snow makeup days will be during in-service days next semester and extended days for last month.
 - Questions about Charter Schools Applications, School lights, and the need for a new retirement system. Losing teachers state-wide.
- Eagle River Community Patrol update (Cliff Cook/John Rathert)
 - Accomplished 26.5 hours driving 130 miles. For the year of 2022, we contributed 269 hours and drove 2098 miles.
 - Other activity in Dec included helping with traffic control at the 2022 Polar Plunge on Dec 17th. Definitely a challenge this year due to all the snow and limited parking, but we got through it.
 - Mail theft was bad in December, including entire cluster boxes around ER being ripped out of the ground with chains. Other cluster boxes' outgoing mail slot was pried open, which opened the entire box face exposing all the mail and parcel keys. Ripped out Boxes were found in the Valley, and a suspect is known.
 - Post office has been a madhouse during holidays as packages weren't being delivered due to weather, and folks had to do a pickup. Parking there has been a disaster and safety concern. Issues continue but definitely clearing up over the last week.
- Chugiak\Eagle River Library General Update (Nancy Clark) – Not available
- JBER (Joy Boston)
 - A new app is out for access to the base. Registration needed,
 - Lots of noise this month.

Old Business:

New Business:

- Elections:
 - The board motioned, seconded, and approved to reelect:
Morris Jim Pickel as Chair
Chuck Homan as Vice Chair
Camilla Hussein-Scott as secretary
Sean Murphy as Treasurer
 - Two vacancies:
Michelle Banfield is stepping down as Director
Director

Comments from Eagle River Community Council Membership/Guests

- VFW liquor license renewal
- 10-year FCC boundary review

Upcoming Events

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

Adjourned: 7:32 PM

Important Dates (2023)

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| • January 12, 2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Monthly meeting | • July 13, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Monthly meeting |
| • February 9, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Monthly meeting | • August 10, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Monthly meeting |
| • March 9, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Monthly meeting | • September 14, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Monthly meeting |
| • April 13, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Monthly meeting | • October 12, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Monthly meeting |
| • May 11, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Monthly meeting | • November 9, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Monthly meeting |
| • June 8, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Monthly meeting | • December 14, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Monthly meeting |

