

**Hillside Community Council Meeting**  
**Minutes for Wednesday, April 5, 2023, 6:30 pm**  
**Draft**

**Location: Hybrid - Hilltop Ski Area Chalet and Zoom**

**Board Roll Call:** Present: Carmela Warfield, Zac Johnson, Robert Redlinger, Daniel Robbins, Dr. Helena Wisniewski, Bruce Vergason

1. **Board President Warfield opened the meeting at 6:35 pm.**
  - Pledge of Allegiance.
  - Call to order & welcoming remarks.
  - Membership & voting requirements.
  
2. **Approval of April 2023 HCC Meeting Agenda:**
  - Motion to approve the agenda.
    - Moved: Zac Johnson, Seconded: Robert Redlinger.
    - Motion to amend the agenda to discuss a potential draft resolution to recognize Hilltop for their support and for hosting community events.
      - Moved: Mark June, Seconded: Laura McDonough.
    - Motion carried.
  
3. **Approval of March 2023 Meeting Minutes:**
  - Motion to approve the minutes.
    - Moved: Linda Steiert, Seconded: Robert Redlinger.
    - Motion carried.
  
4. **Business Updates:**
  - Treasurer's Report – Daniel Robbins
    - No transactions last month.
    - \$1,178.46 ending balance on March 31.
  - HALO Delegate's Report – Robert Redlinger
    - Candidate Forum was on March 2<sup>nd</sup>.
    - HALO meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup> will be Zoom only.
  - FCC Delegate's Report – Carmela Warfield
    - FCC meeting recordings available online.
  - President's Report – Carmela Warfield
    - Firewise Saturday will be on May 6<sup>th</sup> at Hilltop Ski Area. Ky Holland is the point of contact. Will be hosted by HCC, RCCC, and Basher CC.
  
5. **Reports from elected officials and community representatives in attendance**
  - Senator James Kaufman
    - Judiciary Committee held a hearing on the budget cap bill.
  - Daniel Robbins, on behalf of Representative Julie Coulombe

- Working on the operating budget.
- Assembly Member Randy Sulte
  - 16 building failures this winter due to snow loading.
  - Recently held work session on high vacancy rate in MOA positions.
  - Carmela Warfield asked about the “clean slate” approach to considering homeless shelter solutions?
    - Not much fiscal impact.
    - Change is towards favoring a smaller, dispersed shelter model.
- ASD School Board Member Andy Holleman
  - Board moved to revoke charter for Family Partnership, but the school will continue operations as normal.
  - Working with DOJ to resolve issues with the student restraint policy.

6. **Action Items:**

- **Resolution of Support for proposed new 5.5-mile trail in Far North Bicentennial Park**
  - Single Track Advocates – Martin Miller
  - Have resolutions of support from Abbot Loop CC, Hilltop Ski Area, NSAA.
  - Not requesting any municipal funding.
  - Marc June asked if the trails would be open to all users in the winter?
    - Correct. Open to walkers, skiers, and bikers year-round.
  - Bruce Vergason asked if construction would require a storm water pollution prevention plan?
    - A contractor will be hired to build the trails and will be required to obtain any necessary permits.
  - Motion to approve Resolution 2023-01: Resolution in Support of Expanded Singletrack Trails at Far North Bicentennial Park
    - Moved: Jason Warfield, Seconded: Marc June
    - Motion carries with 12 yeas, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.

7. **Discussion**

- **Annual MOA Community Council Capital Improvement Projects Survey**
  - Will be putting a survey online and welcoming community feedback.
- **HCC Meeting Schedule – May through July**
  - President Warfield asked for a sense of the body regarding the summer meeting schedule.
  - Marc June asked about taking one month off?
    - President Warfield suggested taking June off.
  - Dr. Helena Wisniewski suggested also taking July off.
    - President Warfield recommended only canceling June at this point.

8. **Community Information**

- Regular Municipal Election was on April 4<sup>th</sup>, results will be certified on April 25<sup>th</sup>.

9. **Candidates**

- Susanne Green – Chugach Electric Association Board of Directors
  - HCC member.
  - Anchorage is at a turning point for affordable, renewable, and sustainable energy.
  - Hillcorp has stated natural gas contracts for CEA will terminate in 2028.

10. **Open Discussion**

- None

11. **Adjournment:**

- President Warfield thanked all who attended the meeting.
- Motion to adjourn: Laura McDonough, Seconded: Mary Steiert.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.