Officers (Term Expires EOY)
Pres. – Morris Pickel Jr. (2024)
V. Pres. – Chuck Homan (2023)
Sec - Camilla Hussein-Scott (2024)
Treas. – Sean Murphy (2025)



Directors (Term Expires EOY)
Vacant (2025)
Cliff Cook (2024)
Vacant (2023)

EAGLE RIVER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

12001 Business Blvd. #107 Eagle River, Alaska 99577

Minutes

April 13, 2023 6:30 – 8:30 PM

Call to order -6:34

Establish Quorum: Established

Attendance: All members in attendance

Approval of Agenda: Approved

Approval of Minutes: Approved

Membership Introductions

Reports

- Treasurer Report: \$65
- Parks & Rec Camilla Hussein-Scott:
 - Budget review
 - o Follow up on \$40K P&R funding for board-approval Mirror Lake Trail connections proposed by CMBR
 - o Resolution of support for trail improvements proposed by the Nordic Ski Club at the January meeting.
 - Outstanding resolutions for the following:
 - o 40K conceptual was approved for Mirror Lake multiuse trail improvements.
 - o 20K trail maintenance by CDMA to authorize funding.
 - o 80K match for the new 10-mile trail.
 - o Presentation from FLAMI regarding Mac Center updating the board on McDonald's Center operations.
 - Kevin Sommer introduced himself to the board. He then went on to state they were looking into changing all
 the light fixtures over to LEDs. It would be a big saving in the electricity bill.
 - Revisiting of fund balance transfer request of \$3M to Chugiak Pool repairs capital project. Chugiak Pool Presentation by Dan Hagarman (10 Minutes)
 - Meeting was extended another 10 minutes in discussions about the Chugiak pool repairs.
 - O John Rodda-Asked where the funds were for the Artic Heat and the Archery clubs from the ARPA funds that were to be leveraged against Park & Recreation funds. Stating that they had been promised them and continue to be strung along. He also pointed out the upcoming meeting for the Carrol Creek development which will affect the MacDonald's Center, Park & Recreation, and the road leading up to them.

- Kevin Cross-Pointed out that the Boys Scouts were no longer able to maintain the Gorsuch Road and was wanting the board to investigate the maintenance of it. He then also pointed out the about to repair the Chugiak pool has continued to climb over the past few months starting out being asked for \$1.5M to now \$3M.
- Special meeting was called by the chair to discuss further funding the Beach Lake trail and funding for the pool.
- Road Board Chuck Homan:
 - o CBERRRSABoard met on March 20, 2023
 - o 2023 CIP list was finalized, and materials are being ordered.
 - o Starner bridge construction will begin in the fall (of 2023)
 - Aurora Borealis temp. road maintenance agreements with residents is still being worked on. One resident is left to come to an agreement.
 - o CBERRRSA bylaws amendments are being discussed to reach an agreement
 - o The CBERRRSA Board of Supervisors expiration dates were discussed.
 - Eagle River Community Council's Representative is terming out, and Chuck Homan is requesting the Council to confirm his appointment as the primary representative. (Letter attached)
- Advisory Board Sean Murphy; Alt. Camilla Hussein-Scott
- Federation Community Councils Morris Pickel
 - o Comprehensive information on the website: https://www.communitycouncils.org/
 - Eagle River website: https://communitycouncils.org/servlet/content/11.html

Guest Speakers

Assembly/Legislative Updates

- MOA Assembly update (Kevin Cross, Robin Dern)
 - Update by Kevin Cross:
 - Public Safety: Fentanyl pandemic
 - Eklutna River Project
 - Land use condensation
 - Budget-property taxes
 - EMS
 - Rewriting the Comprehensive Plan for the purpose of an emergency housing response plan.
- Legislative update (Senator Kelly Merrick Rep. Jamie Allard Rep. Dan Saddler)
 - Rep. Dan Saddler calling in from Juneau. Check out https://www.facebook.com/dansaddleralaska for daily updates.

Presentation: (20 Minutes)

- The Chugiak Mountain Bike Riders (CMBR) are requesting two letters of support
 - o Letter of Support for the Northern Extension Coastal Trail West Beach Lake Trail
 - Letter of Support for the Lower Eagle River Trail Connecting Gruening to Chugach State Park and the Glenn Hwy Trail.

Community Updates (5 Minutes)

- Anchorage School Board Update (Carl Jacobs)
 - o Check out the ASD website: asdk12.org
 - Hot Topics
 - New start times
 - Budget
 - Base Student Allocation

- Fentanyl
- Eagle River Community Patrol update (Cliff Cook/John Rathert)
 - o 15 hours and 56 miles for the month of April
 - Warmer weather means more vehicles are at trailheads. Be aware of theft/vehicle break-ins. Hide your valuables from plain sight or take them with you on the hike.
 - o Be bear and moose aware in your neighborhood and on trails; they are awake.
 - o Report all crimes all the time; if unsure, call APD's non-emergency number.
 - Eagle River Community Patrol will be helping with GradBlast in Eagle River and the Torch Run in Anchorage.
- Chugiak\Eagle River Library General Update (Nancy Clark) Not in Attendance
- JBER (Joy Boston) (Not in Attendance)

Old Business:

• Updates on the USPS office

New Business:

• CMBR asked the council to approve writing two letters of support for funding two trails in the Chugiak Eagle River community, as mentioned in the presentation. The Council voted and approved the resolution, with Camilla Hussein-Scott recusing herself. Drafted letters were sent to the president to get signed. (attached)

Comments from Eagle River Community Council Membership/Guests (3 Minutes)

Upcoming Events

- CBERRSA Board of Supervisors monthly meeting:
- Parks and Rec Board of Supervisors monthly meeting: Every 2nd Monday, 6:30 PM 8:30 PM, same room.
- FCC meeting: TBD

Adjourned:

Important Dates (2023)

- January 12, 2022
 - Monthly meeting
- February 9, 2023
 - o Monthly meeting
- March 9, 2023
 - o Monthly meeting
- April 13, 2023
 - Monthly meeting
- May 11, 2023
 - o Monthly meeting
- June 8, 2023
 - Monthly meeting

- July 13, 2023
 - Monthly meeting
- August 10, 2023
 - Monthly meeting
- September 14, 2023
 - o Monthly meeting
- October 12, 2023
 - Monthly meeting
- November 9, 2023
 - Monthly meeting
- December 14, 2023
 - Monthly meeting