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GHCC Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Peter Partnow

Meeting conducted via Zoom called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Jody Sola.

1. <u>Introduction of Attendees:</u> Attendees identified via Zoom appearance and noted on the virtual sign-in sheet provided with these minutes

2. <u>Approval of agenda</u>: Motion to accept agenda: Stephanie Kesler

Second: Zoe Lowery

Motion unanimously approved

3. Approval of March 2023, meeting minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of January meeting as amended: Stephanie Kesler

Second: Zoe Lowery

Motion unanimously approved

4. <u>Legislative update</u>: A. Kayla Epstein for Senator Loki Tobin reports on status of budget stuff. (To follow along, watch Live Floor Sessions and Finance Committee hearings. To give public testimony tomorrow, April 21st, call in at 1pm by calling 907-563-9085. Remember keep testimony under 2 minutes, introduce yourself, and which budget items you support (or do not support)!

Notes constituent meeting Saturday at Lucky Wishbone. Discusses bills to track.

Contact information: Senator Löki Tobin: office phone is 907-465-3704, and her email is <u>sen.loki.tobin@akleg.gov</u> or Mackenzie.pope@akleg.gov

B. Representative Cliff Groh discussed operating budget. Cliff opposed because it did not address a lot of things. Hopes to improve in conference committee. Discuses budget deficits upcoming. Discusses areas with lots of budget cuts over recent years. His bill on taxes on oil will have a hearing. Responds to questions re possible sales tax and high earners tax.

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Contact information: 907-465-4998 or by email: Cameron. Ebersold@akleg.gov / Cillian. McDonagh@akleg.gov . Encourages anyone to sign up for Cliff Groh's

newsletter: http://eepurl.com/iizG0X

- 5. Assembly Update: Dan Volland discusses 5 incoming members to be sworn in on the 25th. He supports the crisis center at Providence. He wants to resurrect the graffiti buster program. He wants grant for Bright Beginnings. He was involved in the use of facial recognition—privacy concerns. Wants marijuana license renewals every two years rather than every year. Mentions new municipal attorney. Acting to by the new APD building for 18 mil—far below marker price and make APD more liquid. Big topic is demobilization of emergency shelters. Re- evaluating the April 30 deadline. Also trying to look at the future—there will be town halls and community counsel to have something my November 1. Also may be looking at sanctions camping (responds to Molly Mylius) Susanne DiPietro status of golden lion.
- 7. <u>Alaska Railroad:</u> Christy Terry discusses May community open house from 11-3 May 5. Museum is opening house also on May 5
- **8. AFD-Capt. Minkler** Thanks for the support on the bond measures. Discusses where the funds will be going. Discusses the academy graduates and new academy coming up.

Pulse Point has a map - you need to download the app: Currently, there are 117,160 AEDs listed in the PulsePoint AED database, and there are roughly 108 added each day. Available for both iOS and Android, PulsePoint AED is a simple-to-use app that enables you to help build the public AED registry in your community – or anywhere.

AEDs managed using PulsePoint AED are accessible to emergency dispatchers and disclosed to emergency responders, including nearby citizens trained in CPR and off-duty professionals such as firefighters, paramedics, and nurses. Instead of asking the caller if there is an AED available, dispatch center staff can inform callers of nearby lifesaving devices. Once you've downloaded the app, you can also be part of getting AEDs on the map. Launch the app and take pictures of any AED devices you notice that do not show

up in their system whenever you're out and about town. Using the app's prompts, uploaded pictures become part of the AED mapping system.)

- **9. Port of Alaska:** Steve Ribuffo reports lots of support from Washington DC re Port funding because Port impacts them. Discusses Atlas Towers. Notes the project specs are not being changed—only difference is change in the companies building and owning. Mentions Greensparc effort to put a data center at the Port.
- 10. <u>APD Update</u>: Officer Melissa Lampert works on swing shift schedule. She is often in Fairview and up here. Presents data from March 10,600-- calls for service—63 here. It has been going down. Mostly general disturbances, burglaries etc. (link to the Crime Map: https://communitycrimemap.com/)
- 11. <u>ASD School Board</u>: Pat Higgins discussed possible change in school times with start elementary at 7:30, then high schools, then middle. Most comments were favorable. Family school partnership. Alaska Native charter school won't close. His concern is that charter schools are not in safe locations. Sixth grade being moved into middle schools. Our classroom sizes are too large by national standards. Discusses funding problems and loss of staff.
- 12. <u>Neighborworks:</u> Lindsay Hadjuk discusses partnership with Fairview director of community engagement. Reconnecting Communities pilot grant. Fairness for fairviewgambel-ingra corridor. Susanne DiPietro asks about the Seward mobility study.

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https://fairviewak.org/

RSVP to Fairview Workshop on April 29th: https://tinyurl.com/FVworkshop1 Save the date for the DOT's Seward to Glenn Mobility PEL Study public meeting:

Thursday, May 18th @ Fairview Recreation Center.

And! Concerts in the Park: 11th Airborne Division Band

Thursday, June 15 @ 6:00pm

Richardson Vista Park)

13. <u>Greensparc:</u> <u>Miles Baker lives at Anderson and Manor. Discusses possible Micro data center. https://www.greensparc.com</u>

Sam Enoka under served and unserved it and data centers. Also Viki Ellison. A neighbor to the cell tower out of the sight line. No more than 20 feet. No prelim designs cause still evaluating the sight.

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Atlas Towers—Mike Powers same project 145foot lattice tower. mpowers@atlastowers.com

Sandra Layton is the territory manager with Atlas Tower and will answer questions if needed. slayton@atlastowers.com

14. Old Business:

A. Resolution JBOS—was not sent to the city. Motion to withdraw former by Susanne DiPietro Seconded by Stephanie Kesler.

Motion passes by show of hands 13-0.

B. Parks and Trails Neighborhood Plan: Bob French re parks and trails meeting with Nicolet Dent etc. Presented our master plan. Passed. On to planning and zoning. Audubon society is giving replacement spruce.

(Replacing Beetle Kill Spruce: Anchorage Audubon Society is giving away 10,000 12" spruce trees.

https://www.mrwhitekeys.com/trees.html)

343-mend to call re pot holes.

MOA Community Needs Survey, https://www.muni.org/communitycouncilsurveys/homepage/ Has a June 15 deadline for community input.

AMATS Community Advisory Committee Meeting - 2nd Quarter 2023 April 25, 2023 - 2:30pm - 4:30pm Agenda Packet

Via Teams: AMATS CAC

Call in Number: 907-519-0237

Phone Conference ID: 929 740 408#

In-person at Conference Rm at 4700 Elmore Rd.

Agenda items:

2024-2025 Unified Planning Work Program Safer Seward Highway Project Introduction

Safety Plan & Forum Introduction

Destination UMED Update and Event

Public Input Survey

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- C. Old Tesoro Building: still working with DOT to see if the building will be left up. There are a couple of nonprofits that would like to move into the building.
- **15.** <u>Committee Updates</u>: **Bob French** reports that many attended the Parks Plan FCC meeting on February 15.
- **16.** <u>Community Concerns</u>: Susan Garner re people opening mailboxes at the west end. Zoe says you can call post office to see what mail should have been delivered through Informed Delivery.

Molly Mylius discusses composting.

Meeting Adjourn: 8:22 p.m