

Bayshore/Klatt Community Council

Council Meeting - May 25th 2023 - 7:00-9:00

Call to Order & Approve Minutes

- The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.
- All Board members were present.
- Roughly 6 people in person and 6 people on Zoom.

Anchorage Fire Department update

- Update in separate document.

Tom McKay update

- Governor had an energy conference.
- Rahm Emanuel was in attendance and he is the Ambassador to Japan. With global LNG shutting down Japan and Europe are looking for new and reliable LNG supply. This could be of great benefit if it if Alaska builds an LNG pipeline.
- PFD is currently set at \$1304 in a 25/75 split. 25% for the people and 75% for the state.
- ASD funding of \$680 per student in a one time funding BSA adjustment.
- Question from Anna Brawley- there was talk of a sales tax, where are we with that?
- Answer- A 2% sales tax was proposed but didn't make it out of the "weights and means" committee. Possibly a special session in fall to bring it back up.

Anna and Zack update from the assembly

- The Assembly voted to approve one settlement against the muni. However, they did not approve settlement for Amy Demboski.
- Body cams for APD have been approved and agreed upon with the police union.
- There is still a housing supply crisis especially for studio and 1 bed units.
- They are working towards building the homeless navigation center. Possibly on Tudor and Elmore.
- Sanctioned camping is the only real solution for this summer. There is not enough time to have a long term plan in place.
- Question- Why is sanctioned housing ok this year but it was a humanitarian crisis last summer when Bronson did it?
- Answer- We learned a lot of lessons from last year and we can do better because of it. This year will be smaller camps, porta potties on site, fences around them, and better security.

Chugach electric update

- They plan on presenting the BKCC a revised plan with a new tower design.

Dave moves to Adjourn, Bruce seconds the motion.

Adjourned 9:49 PM next meeting on September 21st.

Discretionary & older topics

Celebrate trial

The AFD has been selected to participate in blinded, randomized, placebo controlled, international study to assess the safety and efficacy of a drug (zalunifiban) in subjects experiencing heart attacks.

- The drug has had good results in clinical trials and is being expanded to pre-hospital trials.
- Providence Hospital is overseeing our participation in the trial.
- We have participated in trials like this before. Our setting is desirable for testing based on our population and demographics, and the quality of our emergency medical system.

Wildland-urban interface fire mitigation and preparation

The AFD is actively preparing for the 2023 WUI season and beyond.

- We have received notification of significant federal funding for WUI preparation and mitigation in Anchorage.
- In addition, we have two grant proposals currently under consideration.
- Current year priorities include:
 - Rewriting the Community Wildfire Protection Plan, last updated in 2008.
 - Instituting public education and information campaigns to better prepare residents for a wildland-urban interface fire and informing them of fire status and direction.
 - Assessing and removing hazardous woody fuel, including offering woodlot services.
 - Maintaining and creating new firebreaks where possible to slow the spread of fire.
 - Training and equipping AFD firefighters for a WUI fire.

Wildfire map

We are offering a new way of informing the public about wildfires in the MOA that may be affecting them. The [AFD Wildfire Map](#) will show in real time the location of any reported wildfires.

- In time, percent containment, acres involved, and other details will be updated.
- Real-time position of all airborne wildfire-fighting aircraft are displayed.
- Includes 3D terrain imagery.
- Access at <https://www.muni.org/Departments/Fire/Pages/Wildfire-Map.aspx>
- Sign up for emergency alerts to receive emergency updates and information at <https://www.smart911.com/smart911/ref/reg.action?pa=anchorageak>

Strategic plan

The AFD recently announced a 2-5 year strategic plan. Please see the full plan at www.muni.org/Departments/Fire.

Open Burning

Check the burn hotline (907-267-5020) or website (<http://www.muni.org/Departments/Fire>) daily before burning outdoors.

- Fires may not be more than 3 feet in diameter and no more than 2 feet high.
- Fires must be located at least 25 feet from structures, decks, trees, brush and dry grass.
- There must be a responsible adult in attendance of outside recreational fires at all times.
- A charged water hose within reach of the fire and a tool such as a shovel to extinguish the fire must be on site.
- Extinguish your fire immediately if the wind speed increases to 10 mph or greater.
- Consider how your fire affects your neighbors

PulsePoint

In February PulsePoint, a free app that notifies people that know CPR with people in sudden cardiac arrest.

- Every day, people go into cardiac arrest and often there are people nearby that know CPR; until now, there has been no way to alert them.
- PulsePoint helps citizens to be *first-first* responders, helping sustain life until AFD first responders arrive.
- PulsePoint notifies nearby users of the nearest automatic defibrillator.
- For privacy reasons, PulsePoint only notifies citizens of cardiac arrests in public places; off-duty AFD firefighters can be notified of cardiac arrests in residences.
- Hands-only CPR is the most effective and safest form of citizen CPR before EMS arrives (because the pause for rescue breaths by lay rescuers can be more harmful than helpful).
- PulsePoint can also notify users of emergencies in their area such as wildfires, vehicle accidents, and fires.
- Download PulsePoint free.