

Rogers Park Community Council
Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2024, 7:00-9:00pm
Rogers Park Elementary School Library

Scott McMurren **called the meeting to order** at 7:01pm

Jill Klein read the **Land Acknowledgement**

Scott McMurren read the **housekeeping rules**

Scott introduced the Officers:

President, Scott McMurren

Vice President, Jill Klein

Secretary, Cassandra Raun

Treasurer, Sara Dykstra

Immediate Past President, Pete Mjos

FCC Representative, Linda Chase

Cassandra Raun established quorum

Review and approve the December 11, 2023 meeting minutes - Pete moved to approve, Sara seconded, motion carried

Treasurer's report, Sara Dykstra - we are holding steady, we have not had any expenses. She has yet to reimburse Scott for his recent fee, our accounts total \$930.12.

Announcements:

All meetings are at Rogers Park Elementary School Library, second Monday of every month, September through May, 7:00-9:00pm. in person and also on Zoom.

Be sure and sign up for our newsletter. Please encourage your neighbors to do so as well:

<https://rogersparkcommunitycouncil.eo.page/vp1z2>

Mayor's Report: Mayor Dave Bronson gave updates on many local issues including the Port of Anchorage, efforts around homelessness, a new agreement with Eklutna in Eagle River, snow plowing and the police department. Mayor Bronson opened the floor for Q and A and answered member questions directly.

Alaska Legislative reports:

-Senator Elvi Gray-Jackson - please see attached written report

-Representative Alyse Galvin - She gave an update to her recent activities and listed her priorities for the legislative session: education, defined benefits for employee retirement and

revenue measures that make sense for Alaska (long-term fiscal planning). Other concerns include DOT, the State and the Muni need to work together.

Assembly reports:

Meg Zaletel - January is an important month because they take up bond and ballot measures. Ms. Zaletel gave an overview of the bonds, including road and storm drain capital improvements, public transit and safety improvement, and the Anchorage Goes Bond.

Felix Rivera - Mr. Rivera gave an update about body worn cameras, 100 out of 350 have been deployed already with 2-4 body cameras installed and deployed each work day. He also gave updates around homelessness, the emergency cold weather shelter system and the efforts to focus on transition out of the emergency cold weather shelter so we don't have what happened last summer happen again this coming summer.

School Board Report:

Carl Jacobs - The Board is focused on grades 3-5 math proficiency through the Map Testing, they want to partner with law makers who want to fund education in a meaningful way to support our students and to attract and retain educators. The board will be voting on a new policy that would grant the PTA a position on the Board. And he gave an overview of the school board bond.

Committee reports:

Transportation - David Evans was hoping to have an update on the Fireweed Lane project, but the contact is out of town. Hopefully he'll have an update next month.

Closing Comments for the Good of the Order

Marshall Severson - the meeting happened regarding Merrill Field, the instrument procedures are going to be published in the near future and go into effect.

Ron Alleva is interested in joining, being a part of the homelessness committee.

Pete motion to adjourn, Chip Derrick second, meeting adjourned at 8:54pm.

Next meeting: February 12, 2024, 7:00-9:00pm