Officers:

Pres. – Chuck Homan II (2025) V. Pres. – Cliff Cook (2024) Sec - Camilla Hussein-Scott (2024) Treas. – Sean Murphy (2025) (Term Expires in January)



Executive Directors:

Pauline Tise (2025) Vacant (2024) John Rathert (2025) (Terms Expires in January)

EAGLE RIVER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

12001 Business Blvd. #170 Eagle River, Alaska 99577

Agenda

January 11, 2024, 6:30 – 8:30 PM

- **1.** Call to Order: (Quorum 3 Executive Board members)
- 2. Introductions:
- 3. Approval of Agenda:
- 4. Approval of Minutes:
- 5. Public Safety Reports: AFD, APD
- 6. Elected Officials Reports:
 - Senator Kelly Merrick
 - Representative Jamie Allard,
 - o Aide Stephen Romanelli
 - Three major bills: HB111-HB173-HB183
 - Reach out via email
 - Representative Dan Saddler
 - Not in attendance
 - Assemblyman Scott Myers
 - o Name change of the Port of Alaska to Don Young Port of Alaska
 - o Elections coming up
 - o Portland Loo Bond, outside the tax cap. \$500,000 per toilet.
 - There is no plan, and voted no on that bond.
 - School Bond repairs to one school in our district
 - o The ordinance to allow telephonic and online orders for Marijuana does not affect District 2.
 - o Girdwood, Hilton Hills is back on the agenda
 - o Green cards are sent out
 - o Boards and Commissions need new members
 - o Job openings, Muni is hiring,
 - o Cemetery bond, areawide bond, instead of dividing it into the three service areas.
 - Assemblyman Kevin Cross
 - Not in attendance, updates through Scott Myers
 - School Board Member
 - o Email from Andy Holoman
 - Preparation 2024-2025 not finalized
 - Documents available online; please comment on the website.

7. Committee Reports:

- Treasurer Report: Pauline Tise
 - o \$65 in account
- Parks & Rec: Pauline Tise:
 - Met on Monday
 - Winter Wonderland successful
 - o Mac Center getting ready for the Arctic Winter Games
 - o Snowplowing the road to the Camp Gorsuch Girl Scout Boy Scout Camp split.
 - o Numbers are good at the ski trails and sled

- Pool remains closed due to the issue
- New Chair and Vice Chair of the Board of Supervisors
- o Discussion of municipal bond proposal for public toilets, amendments to make these toilets suitable to the CER area.
- Operating capital budget that was voted in a recommendation of 25/75 split to operations/CIP budget.
- Road Board Chuck Homan II, primary Rep.; Alt John Rathert
 - o Road Board meeting December 18th, 2023
 - O As of November 6th, to December 18th, our community received 74 inches of snowfall. The average snowfall for the entire year is 71.5 inches
 - The board approved a transfer of \$200,000.00 from the fund balance to address additional plowing and sanding.
 - Traffic mitigation Grant funding for the Eagle River Central Business District Cross Street drainage plan is 65% complete
 - o Non-Grant Capital Improvement Funding 2024 projects have been approved.
 - o Representative Dan Saddler presented a Legislative Citation to Mark Littlefield, who retired as the Road Board Foreman.
 - All equipment is four sanders and two pickups with sanders. Four graders and 14 pickups for plowing.
- Advisory Board Sean Murphy; Alt. Camilla Hussein-Scott
 - Nothing to report
- Federation Community Councils; Cliff Cook; Alt. Jamie Lytton
 - No meeting in December
 - o Information is on the website
 - O Comprehensive information on the website: https://www.communitycouncils.org/ Eagle River website: https://communitycouncils.org/servlet/content/11.html.

8. Community Updates

- Eagle River Community Patrol: Cliff Cook/John Rathert
 - o 16.5 hours, 28 miles in December, roads were horrible.
 - o Polar Plunge assistance.
 - o The biggest issue with car theft is cars running with keys in them.

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- Chugiak\Eagle River Library Update: Emily
 - o Adult programs: Eagle River Spinners, Authors, Nature Themes.
 - o PFD forms available
- JBER: Joy Boston (Not present)
 - Recreational activities
 - Updates on training
- Homeless Task Force: Ken McCarty

9. Special Presentations:

- **MEA:** Jennifer Castro
 - o Public meeting public comments next week about the Eklutna Hydro Project
 - Information on the website, so are comment forms
 - Substation upgrades
 - o Underground cable replacements
 - o Converting overhead into underground in the area from May through summer
 - o If neighbors are impacted, they will receive a notification via card or door hanger
 - Easement clearing, not allowed to take down trees without property owner's permission-danger tree clearing is year-round
 - Annual meeting April 30th, two seats up to elections, nut in the CER area, ours will be up in two years.
 - O You get \$10 off your bill if you go paperless.
 - o Scholarships available with training for HS students
 - Operation Roundup, rounding up the bill, is fundraising for community projects. (not operations or labor related, must be tangible)

- Outages: be prepared for an average of 3-4 hours of power outage if it occurs.
- o If there is a resolution the Council drafted or passed regarding the Fish and Wildlife program, add it to the comment section.

10. Old Business:

- Eagle River Community Council Resolution 2024-1 Regarding People Mover Eagle River Bus Route R.
 - o Passed unanimously by council members in attendance.

11. New Business:

- Eagle River Community Council team elections.
- Nominated and unanimously confirmed:
 - o Cliff Cook, Vice President
 - o Camilla Hussein-Scott, Secretary
 - o Pauline Tise, Treasurer
 - o Sean Murphy, Director
 - o Kyle Mielke, Director

12. Comments from Eagle River Community Council Membership/Guests (3 minutes each)

- Community Member, not council member, commenting on the long trail.
- Mark Littlefield introduced himself to the council to run for the assembly seat vacated by Kevin Cross.

13. Upcoming Events:

- ERCC Meetings: Every 2nd Thursday of the month, 6:30 8:30 PM
- CBERRSA Board of Supervisors monthly meeting: February 26th 6;30 8:30PM.
- Parks and Rec Board of Supervisors monthly meeting: Every 2nd Monday of the Month, 6:30 8:30 PM.

14. Adjournment: 8:12 pm