

Rabbit Creek Community Council – Board Meeting
Rabbit Creek Community Church & Snowshoe Lane – February 10, 2005

Ky Holland, president, called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. Seven Board members were present. They included Thom Janidlo, Wayne Skidmore, Susanne Comellas, Mike Flister, Jess Grunblatt, Dianne Holmes and Jerry Krieter. The agenda was approved and introductions made.

Minutes – A motion was made by Dianne, 2nd by Wayne to approve the January minutes and the minutes from the Special Board meeting to elect officers and propose goals for 2005. Ky gave a brief overview the meeting and the minutes.

Treasurer's Report – Deep snow prevented the treasurer from attending.

Legislative Report – Janice Shamburg and Dick Tremaine. The assembly is finalizing ballot propositions. The big ones are the Convention Center tax. This allows 4% to be collected by hotels to construct and maintain the center and also allows the disregard of the Anchorage charter and may be passed by 50 + 1% instead of the required 60% voter approval. The owner occupied residential tax reduction will be on the ballot. Also discussed is a tax exemption for veterans. The underground utilities ordinance will voted on by the assembly soon. Janice relayed information that the city is synchronizing traffic lights around Anchorage with the first area being South Anchorage. If there are areas that require attention contact Janice. There was also discussion of the Shangri La traffic circulation study. \$30,000 has been budgeted however the council believes the scope of the study is too narrow and does not adequately address development on and above Goldenview and Potter Valley. Once again, Ky stated the city has used the DAD approach to development, DECIDE, ANNOUNCE, DEFEND with no public involvement. Dick Tremaine defended the scope of the study.

Comments from the Floor – Brad Kutzer with the Goldenview LRSA urged affected members to approve the .8 mill rate increase for the LRSA. In addition, discussion of the enormous amount of glaciating in the LRSA that is due to lack of attention to hydrology studies.

Reports –

Hillside District Plan: Joanne Contreras is the planner assigned and work may begin in April with public process in June possibly. \$100,000. , is set aside for the HDP.

Trails and Access: Continue establishing existing trails by mapping, identify goals and council and residents need to be pro-active in identifying community desires.

Neighborhood Associations: Potter Creek-They are opposing the resubmitted Potter View Subdivision S-11336-1 for several reasons, including having to maintain private sub standard roads, Hill Rd easement omission and cul de sac length. FCC- By law changes. A straw poll was taken to determine how membership dues were viewed. 9-5 voted in favor of keeping dues and membership a condition of voting privileges. The question was also asked if there should be a process that would allow the general membership to reverse a decision of the board. There is an advisory clause in the by laws that would appear to address this situation. There was discussion of the chaos this type of situation could cause. It also appeared to be an ineffective tool as issues voted on are generally decided relatively quickly in the municipal arena.

Old Business –

Rabbit Creek Road maintenance. Jerry has attended seven different council meetings and is still looking at the issue. One solution would be to move graders and snow removal equipment to the Bear Valley fire station.

New Business –

S-11336-1 Potter View Subdivision. This plat has been re submitted with a new name. The council has discussed the issue with the Potter Creek HOA and a letter was written to support their position on the plat. Dianne motioned to accept letter, Thom 2nd. Discussion and review of the plat continued. A vote was taken to send the letter with six in favor 1 abstain. Passed.

Glaciating areas: there was discussion of glaciating areas on the Hillside and how bad many of them are especially around some new construction. It was sugges ted we again bring the need for hydrology studies to the city's attention. There have been studies in the past.

Adjourn 9pm