## Minutes of the Tudor Area Community Council May 3, 2007 Rogers Park Elementary School

Council president Sheli Dodson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. There were thirteen members and three guests attending. The council approved the minutes for the April 5, 2007, meeting without objection.

## **Scheduled speakers:**

<u>Parks & Recreation Dept.</u>: Ms. Teri Peters, Northeast area parks manager, spoke on the Muni's "clean and green" program to clean up area parks. She is asking all community councils for volunteers to keep one or two parks clean. The department has funding for summer interns this year. Ms. Peters said that David Green Park is back on the reservations list this year, in order to try to control the size of the groups using the park. Parks and Rec. will put a sign on the shelter about reservations and will remove four picnic tables to reduce the incentive for larger crowds. They are also directing larger groups to other parks that can handle more people.

<u>Assembly Report</u>: Assemblyman Dick Traini talked about the proposed tax abatement for the "town center" development on the site of the old Alaska Village Trailer Park at DeBarr and Muldoon Rds. and the cost of the proposed new headquarters for ML&P. He has requests for a law to make it illegal to go through a yellow light. There was some discussion on the need for additional police on the streets and the effectiveness of photo radar.

Anchorage Police Dept.: Sgt. Wade Lacey spoke about the Neighborhood Watch program. It really reduces the crime rates in neighborhoods and brings people together. He said that of the 8,000 burglaries 2002-2006, only 3 occurred in Neighborhood Watch areas. There were questions from council members about residential burglaries, and Sgt. Lacey gave examples. He said that the typical home burglary lasts only four minutes. Thieves take advantage of unlocked house doors, or cars left unlocked and thieves opening the garage with the garage door opener in the car (and of course making off with valuables left in the car). Marking valuables, making photographs of them, and keeping a record of valuables and their serial numbers is important for their recovery.

<u>Others</u>: There were no representatives from DOWL Engineers to speak on Lake Otis and Tudor improvements. There was no legislative report.

<u>Federation of Community Councils (FCC) Report</u>: Sheli Dodson said that there would be school boundary changes for Tudor Elementary School. Supt. Comeau really appreciated voters' approval of the school bond issues. Phase Two engineering of the Chester Creek Aquatic Habitat Restoration Project will start this year. Actual construction will take place 2008-2009. (See the Muni's website at: <a href="http://www.muni.org/salmoninthecity/projects.cfm">http://www.muni.org/salmoninthecity/projects.cfm</a> for more details.)

The Muni wants feedback on the Capital Improvement Plan. Council members wanted to know if 40<sup>th</sup> Court and 41<sup>st</sup> Court would be repaired. They're not in the plan. There was considerable discussion by the council about the need for repair and maintenance of 40<sup>th</sup> and 41<sup>st</sup> Cts. and Allen Pl. Work is scheduled within Tudor Area Community Council boundaries for 36<sup>th</sup> Ave. at Cottonwood St. and Locarno Drive. Council members discussed traffic calming, deteriorating access to Tudor Road, and the items on the State Dept. of Transportation list of projects.

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<u>Old Business</u>: Ms. Kacy Telfer of Mary Magdalene Home Alaska (MMHA) sent an e-mail to the council stating that MMHA was no longer trying to purchase of a house on MacInnes St. She thanked the council for its consideration and acceptance.

## **New Business:**

Sheli Dodson attended the Geneva Woods Homeowners Association (GWHA) meeting and gathered two-dozen names to add to the FCC's mailing list. GWHA would like to explore the possibility of the council changing its meeting schedule from the first Thursday of the month to another day so that more of its members might attend TACC meetings. The council discussed that possibility.

Council discussion on possible Capital Improvement Plan projects continued. Items include:

Repair and maintenance of 40<sup>th</sup> and 41<sup>st</sup> Cts. and Allen Pl.;

Security lighting at David Green Park;

Improved water drainage on Salem Ct., and on MacInnes St. near Crescent Drive/Circle; Completing repairs on water main by David Green Park.

There was a short discussion on holding a meeting in June. Kevin Frank made a motion to resume meetings in September. Bob Mahoney seconded the motion, and after discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the chair adjourned the meeting at 8:38 PM.

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