

MINUTES FOR REGULAR FCC BOARD MEETING

FEBRUARY 20, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by Chairman Jason Bergerson. Role call established a quorum with 15 representatives present.

The Councils represented were:

Basher	Dave Keddington
Bear Valley	Laune Holland
Chugiak	Randy McCain
Eagle River Valley	Tom Freeman
Fairview	Harry Deuber
Hillside East	Dave Lappi, Linda Lappi
Huffman/O'Malley	Ryan Stencil
Mountain View	Kep Pierce, Niki Burrows
Northeast	Bob Reupke
Rabbit Creek	Dick Tremaine
Rogers Park	Heather Ireland
Russian Jack	Dan Delie
Sand Lake	Talbot Chang
Spenard	Jason Bergerson
Tudor	Sheli Dodson
Turnagain	Cathy Gleason
University Area	Betty Adkison

The minutes and agenda were approved on a motion by Bob Reupke, seconded by Tom Freeman and passed with no objection.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Teri Albrecht from the Mayor's Office was not present, but a report on the summer projected summer construction plans was given by Russ? There are 40 road jobs planned for all parts of the city. A lot of the jobs will go out to bid soon. There will be more street improvements in the downtown area, including reconstruction of E St. from 4th Ave to 7th Ave. This will include heated sidewalks. F St. near the Egan Center will have improvements including new parking meters in several areas. DOT has a number of road projects planned. They will try to coordinate road closures to lessen inconvenience to everyone. The CIP lists should be available in mid March.

Anne Brooks, a Muni consultant and Christine Bernardini of AMATS spoke about updating AMATS interaction with a program, SAFETEA-LU, consulting with people using the services. They are looking for ways to reach e-mail marketing programs and updating the contact lists. There is a web site to sign up for information. There is a need to get more people interested in participating.

AMATS will be losing some of the federal funding in the future. It is more important to have public participation in prioritizing projects.

Treasurers Report: All of the 2007 reports are complete and turned in. Grants have been updated. At the present time there are 11 or 12 pass through grants.

We need to send out a RFP. Gina will be working for the Muni. so we need to find a new accountant or bookkeeper. We need to check with the major accounting firms and my try to share expenses with another non-profit. A motion by Dick Tremaine, seconded by Tom Freeman; Mark is to prepare an RFP and list possible costs and report back to the Board. Motion passed.

Mark reported on FCC office activities. E-mail lists re getting cleaned up. Now snail mail lists need to be purged. He also spoke of changes in office procedures. He is working on updating information in the phone book. Many of the grants have been approved. The group leasing part of the office has moved out, but they still owe rent money. They are waiting for their grant money. They are also buying some of the extra furniture.

The Committee discussed the need to move, probably by May 29 - 31. We need to get space approved by the Board before moving. Moving to a more central location would be more convenient for most people. The committee put together 10 points to be met by the new location. They hope to find something to discuss at the April meeting.

Andrea Schmidt of ACVB spoke of their interest in working with FCC to bring 2011 NUSA conference to Anchorage. They need a pledge by July to start putting together a bid package for the 2008 conference

Ward Lacy, Neighborhood Watch Director, spoke of a meeting, April 28, discussing how landlords can work with this program.

Carol Comeau spoke of need for bond issues to pass. Bond would be for the same amount that has been paid off.

Anchorage Tomorrow has endorsed 7 bonds for schools, roads, streets, and drainage. \$45 million for roads and drainage.

Prop. 6 is for Public Safety and Public Transportation.

Mary Rasmusson spoke in favor of 3 bonds for new roofs for the Sullivan Arena, the older part of the Museum and 2.9 million dollars for a roof on the Library and start of new libraries for Eagle River and Mountain View. The Rasmusson Foundation will match funds if voters approve.

Peter Crosby, Parks and Rec. Commission spoke in favor of repairs to public pools (5 school pools-Chugiak was not included). Pools need repairs including roof repairs. The bond is for 2 million dollars with matching funds from the legislature if the bonds pass. Only people living in these boundaries will pay for the bonds.

Ryan, Mark, Jason and Berni want to go to the NUSA conference. Tom is interested in going also. Airfare, hotel and per diem paid for by FCC comes from a different account, not Muni funds. Since there is more interest than usual in attending the NUSA conference and the FCC usually only pays for 3 participants. A motion was made for all interested in attending the NUSA conference e-mail Jason and he will choose delegates, motion by Tom Freeman, seconded by passed unanimously.

Tom Freeman moved the FCC support participation with ACVB in trying to get the NUSA conference to come to Anchorage in 2011, seconded by Niki Burrows and passed unanimously.

Copies of the fiscal policy, with suggested revisions were passed around with the request to be ready to vote on the changes at the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00p.m.

Submitted by Betty Adkison, FCC secretary.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL CONCERNS

(From February 20, 2008 Meeting)

BEAR VALLEY

Hillside District Plan.-Balanced representation and voice given to homeowners, not just developers. Road and drainage plan-- how to pay for recommended improvements. Large parcels of undeveloped land remaining--developer attempted to take majority control of the board at the elections in Feb. - why? Many voter/ attendees at the meeting were not homeowners in residence but absentee landlords. HLB/Park issues- dispersion of lands in 5 year plan.

HUFFMAN/O'MALLEY

Public perception is that the Hillside District Plan (HDP) process is disregarding Public input and wishes in favor of planning dept./ administration agenda.

NORTHEAST

Nominations are being submitted for the three vacant board NECC positions for the April 17, 2008 meeting. Presentation on the Patterson Road Traffic Calming Plans: DeBarr Rd. to Chester Valley School. Presentation on the Alaska Native Charter School site approval at the Ashley Home Furnishing Store Building on Muldoon Road. Presentation on proposed Russian Jack Springs Park improvements.

RABBIT CREEK

Goldenview Road is up for annexation to ARDSA. This is supported by the area. Several developers in the area, holding 100's of acres, are going bankrupt or trying to sell their property. This allows more time for planning. Hillside district plan is undergoing public review. Some controversy concerns roads and drainage aspects. We hope the Assembly will listen to area residents, not land speculators.

SPENARD

Much concern last month regarding Soterra - Alaska program looking at locating to 3201 Doris a residential neighborhood. Program was planning to deal with a small group of clients experiencing early mental illness signs. Airport noise from both the small and large airports continues.

TUDOR

Current vacancy in two TACC office positions are unfilled with no interested parties stepping forward. TACC residents continue to monitor road projects that surround our council boundary, (Lake Otis and Tudor, 40th extension, etc.) Street parking, road clearing and communication between neighbors regarding problem solving continues to be a challenge.

TURNAGAIN

Marston/Foraker moving forward with construction to start this summer. The road has been redesigned to avoid Lyn Ary Park. The Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport is updating its Master Plan. Four alternatives have been proposed - all of them include a second north-south runway west of the existing one. This will severely impact the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail and two alternatives will go through Pt. Woronzof Park, Muni dedicated parkland. A citizens committee has been put together to work on following this issue.

UNIVERSITY

Concerned about the change in plans to upgrade pedestrian amenities on 42nd Ave. Concerns about the improvement plans for Lake Otis and Tudor intersection. Residents still have questions about 40th Ave. improvements.