

**Minutes of the Tudor Area Community Council
Oct. 4, 2007
Rogers Park Elementary School**

President Sheli Dodson called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. There were eight members and four guests attending. The council approved the minutes for the Sept. 6, 2007, meeting without objection.

Scheduled speakers:

Assemblyman Dick Traini gave the Assembly report. They are working on the 2008 and 2009 budgets, at \$428 million and \$449 million respectively. There is some difference between assembly members and the mayor on the amount of increase to expect. The assembly hopes to have PERS costs of \$11 million covered by the state. Assmn. Coffee has introduced an ordinance to do away with public hearings on liquor and restaurant licenses as he maintains that the hearings are an “administrative” matter. Some opposition to his proposal can be expected.

Mr. Traini wants to do away with vehicle emissions testing (I/M or Inspection and Maintenance Program) starting in 2009. The assembly appointed an advisory panel, which advised that the I/M testing be continued. The assembly will take public testimony before deciding what to do.

Mr. Brad Melocik, DOWL Engineers, spoke about the planned extension of E. 40th Ave to Lake Otis Blvd. The purpose is to relieve traffic volume on E. 42nd Ave., now 4,700 cars per day. DOWL’s studies show that traffic on E. 42nd would drop to 1,500 cars per day and traffic on the new E. 40th Ave. extension would be 8,000 cars per day. The current plan is to deadstop E. 42nd at Folker St. There will be a public hearing 10/22/07 at 6:30 P.M. at Wendler Jr. High. Construction is planned for 2009.

Ms. Iris Matthews, State Rep. Gardner’s staff, and Mr. Max Hensley, State Sen. Johnny Ellis’ staff, reported that state legislators from Anchorage would hold a forum on the proposed oil production tax changes on 10/07/07 at East High School.

There was no police department report. Ms. Dodson noted that there were 17 officers on the streets per shift, three in Eagle River and 14 in Anchorage, leaving the department short of community liaison officers.

Sheli Dodson reported on the Federation of Community Councils (FCC) meeting. She says there have been many changes, including a new chairperson and staff. The new chairman, Jason Bergerson, attended our council meeting. They reported that some of the business practices of the FCC were in need of reform and the council’s executive board has begun that process. Council staff had missed several quarterly reports to the IRS; those reports have now been submitted. Payments to the IRS were timely made, however. The executive board and a new staff member are now working on reports to the Municipality. The reports are required to get MOA funding. An auditor is going over the books, and there will be further reports concerning the auditor’s findings.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

There being no further business, the chair adjourned the meeting at 7:52 PM.

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