

Campbell Park Community Council  
Minutes of Meeting Held  
January 12, 2006

Meeting called to order by Dave Traver, President, at 7:30 p.m.

Dave stated that he is placing the meeting agenda and minutes on the new Federation web site.

It was stated that a lot of money from Congress was given and is slated for bridges. There is an actual cut for roads if the bridge money is taken out. A discussion was held on the proposed plan to make New Seward Highway a 6-lane highway south of 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue. No decision was reached as to whether the Community Council should take a stand on this item.

A member of the council asked about a sound barrier from 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Tudor Road along the Bancroft Subdivision. It was stated that bonds were voted on and still nothing has been done. Dave will try to get a capital budget list and check on the items on it.

Representative from Dowl Engineers, Kelly Brown, stated that public meetings will start in the spring. Tudor and Lake Otis design is there. Public meetings on this will be in March or April. East Dowling extension from Lake Otis to New Abbott Road public hearings will be in March. Environmental plans are in progress for the Bragaw extension to Abbott Road. Tudor Traffic from Lake Otis to Boniface will have the draft report finished shortly. Hearings will be Wednesday, February 8, from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at Wendler Middle School. The results will be on the Capital Improvement list. It is a feasibility study. Community Council will be provided with a copy or it can be accessed at Dowl.com.

Lou Kaminski suggested that the overpass for the Campbell Creek bike path should be looked at in conjunction with the improvement of Lake Otis and Tudor. If they are going to fund improvements south of Tudor on Lake Otis they need to look at raising the bridge over Campbell Creek. Also, the alternate plan to those presented a couple of years ago was brought up. The council did not approve of the bike overpass that was presented in options A, B, C, D. They had proposed an alternative that would purchase 6 houses north of the creek to connect the proposed overpass with the greenbelt trail. Kelly will take this information back to Dowl. At a later point in the meeting it was brought to our attention that this plan was thru HDR.

Assemblyman Dick Traini provided a report. The proposal to extend International Airport Road across the New Seward was killed by him in the Assembly. The issue of a sales tax on certain products (no services included) is being looked at for the April election; it needs 60% voter approval to pass. Another item for the April election is to change the mayor election to require 50% of the vote to avoid a run off for mayor. If passed it will be effective in 2009. Last Tuesday the

Assembly voted on Imminent Domain. This needs to be decided by the State for uniformity on a state wide basis. The state legislature is expected to pass a bill on this. It was brought to our attention that not every area in Anchorage pays Parks & Recreation fees. Dick voted not to support mandatory seat belts. The state legislature voted on it and it passed. The Municipality favors the Knik Bridge crossing.

Sandi Traini reported on Parks and Recreation issues. One of the board members died and was involved in building a track. A fund has been set up to accomplish this. It is the Bill Bryson Track Fund. Cuddie Park is coming along. They have \$300,000 for this project and are looking for more funding. Parks and Recreation is asking for a million dollar bond. The direction to collect a percentage on sports fees was dropped. The only improvements slated for our area is replacement park signs and benches. The Abbott and Dowling extension is in the works.

Minutes of the December 2005 meeting were approved with a name spelling correction.

Sandi Traini brought up an item of interest and requested that council members state their opinions to the state legislature. The Dept of Education has proposed a monetary plan to reward teachers and staff when a school makes more than 1 year of adequate progress in a year.

Shawna Popovici from Parks and Recreation reported that the South Fork Bridge in Bicentennial Park was repaired with the help of the Nordic Ski Club. Challenge Grants are due by March 1 for small park improvements. Campbell Creek Park will receive new trash and dog refuse receptacles. There will be the same type of improvement at Bancroft Park. The Rasmussen Foundation has funded these changes. There is a catalog available for Parks & Recreation Winter Programs.

A member asked about speed bumps being put in some subdivisions. A catalog from Traffic Engineering was provided. It was suggest that we make a list and submit it to Bob Kniefel at Traffic. Also individual council members can submit requests. They are being looked at in near future.

Two door prizes of 6" sandwiches donated by Subway Alaska were awarded to Kelly Brown and Stephen Johnson.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Carolyn Mason, Secretary

Approved as amended February 9, 2006