SACC South Addition Community Council

DRAFT Minutes Thursday, February 19, 2009

I. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Elise Huggins, SACC Vice President

Agenda was approved by consensus. The January 15, 2009 SACC meeting was cancelled for weather reasons.

II. Reports

<u>Police/Fire Report:</u> Firefighter Paul Urbano of Station One, spoke. He first provided information on upcoming ballot measures. The first is a proposition to replace cardiac monitor/defibrillators, which are 10-15 years old, and expensive to repair. Each costs approximately \$25,000. The second is a fire station bond to replace stations at Eagle River, Mountain View and Spenard. The MOA would cover 1/10th of the cost, approximately 1 million dollars, 11 million would come from State Funds. The third bond would replace a ladder truck for the ER station, which was damaged and is not repairable. This is an \$800,000 Bond. He reminded us to check smoke detectors and change batteries twice a year. He also stated that wildfire season is around the corner, at breakup when snow melts and reveals trash and dead grass, fire danger increases. He encouraged clean up as soon as possible after breakup.

A. <u>President's Report</u> Kathleen is out of town. No report.

B. <u>Treasurer's Report</u> – Doug was not present. Elise reported that our balance is \$2,810.90

C. <u>Assembly</u> – Patrick Flynn did not attend, no report. (Note the meeting ended early, Pat arrived after most folks had left the meeting).

D. <u>Federation of Community Councils</u> – (Paul Provencio or Bonnie Harris) No Report

E. <u>Legislative Reports</u> No legislators were in attendance. No reports were given. Old and New Business:

E. Brigitte Landry, who lives in 12th street across from Inlet View School, reported that the Muni has granted that temporary speed bumps will be installed o 12th between L & M streets, and also on 13th. She stated that many vehicles travel at high speed on that street, which is across from Inlet View School. Jennifer Satterfield of MOA will attend the March SACC meeting. A concern was expressed about emergency response vehicles and speed bumps. It was reported that Paul Provincio spoke with Bus Drivers, Chugach and Inlet View schools about the speed bumps, and they were in agreement. It was further reported that first responder agencies have had the opportunity to review and approve traffic calming plans, including speed bumps. Steve Kalmes of ASD spoke about pedestrian safety, and a grant for Safe Routes to School. He reported that each state received a \$250,000 grant. These funds will be used for an assessment of school walking areas, and that based on that assessment they will seek future grants for modification. The funds will also be used to retrofit crossing guard equipment and signage, and to cover posts with reflective materials. Chugach Optional Principal Anne Salzer spoke to introduce herself and welcome comments from SACC members regarding Chugach Optional's impact on the community. There was discussion about parking for teachers and parents, which is limited in the school's small parking lot. A concern was expressed about the safety of Chugach students taking walks on narrow sidewalks close to the street while on field trips.

F. 9th Avenue Project—Elise reported that the 9th Avenue project went before the Urban Design Commission, and that the Muni is going forward with construction this year. She stated

that some compromises were made; the city has met some of the expressed concerns, and is looking into others. They have not made any changes to the lane widths or curb location. They have changed some of the landscaping, added irrigation, and will review parking issues. According to MOA, a traffic analysis was done and this report stated that there will be no negative impact on traffic. A copy of this report has been requested but since the SACC President is out of town, we do not know if it has been provided.

G. Municipal Code Enforcement: Cora D. Weaver <u>weavercd@muni.org</u> 343-8331 Spoke about her position with land use and code enforcement. She described the Rust in Peace program, in which the municipality will tow and dispose of junk vehicles at no charge. She stated that she brought flyers, questionnaires and info. She will return in April with applications for the Rust in Peace program.

H. Recycled Asphalt Alley Paving program: The scheduled representative from the Municipality (Dan Southard) did not attend, as was scheduled. A SACC member reported that she spoke to her neighbors who were in favor of paving alleys. Several attendees described concerns about the condition of their unpaved alleys. Dale reported that SACC President Kathy Weeks is working on this issue.

I. WiFi at Pioneer Home: No update.

F. Park Funding Beth Nordlund, Anchorage Parks Foundation came after the meeting was adjourned, she left materials which will be available at the March meeting.

- **III.** Community Comments No comments.
- **IV.** Announcements: It was announced that there is a new specialty bakery at the corner of 14th and G, the Fire Island Rustic Bakery.
- **V.** Meeting Adjourned at 7:40

Respectfully submitted, SACC Secretary, Lisa Jamieson

Next Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 PM Thursday March 5, 2009 at Anchorage Pioneer Home;

Next General Membership Meeting: 7:00 pm Thursday, March 19, 2009 at Anchorage Pioneer Home

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