

Federation of Community Councils Manager's Report February 17, 2010

Newsletter Emailing:

We are adding new names to our newsletter mailing lists through the use of the “**Join Your Community Council Email List**” button on the FCC website (www.communitycouncils.org). People may sign up for one or many of the various council newsletters. Some people are signing up to receive all of the council newsletters.

If your council is emailing your own newsletters out, I ask that you put the FCC email address on your list (so that we can archive a copy here) and that you take a periodic look at the lists here at the office so that you can be sure to add new addresses as they are entered into our database. At this month's FCC meeting I will be handing out email and USPS lists for each council. Please also ask your members to move off the USPS mailing lists, if possible, and onto receiving their newsletters by email. USPS mailing cost a lot of money.

Theme/slogan for the NUSA 2011 Anchorage Conference:

Thanks to Jason Bergerson (Spenard) for creating the theme of “Great Land, Great Neighborhoods!” for the Anchorage conference. And thanks to Matt Johnson (North Star) for creating the great logo!

Now we are working on the hotel contracts for the event and are starting the process to raise funds.

FCC Contract with the Municipality of Anchorage:

We are working with the Clerk's Office to write a new contract between the FCC and the Municipality. It is in the amount of \$95,000, a cut of \$7,600 from the 2009 contract.

Community Patrols Working Together

I attended a Community Patrols meeting with representatives of many of the community patrols. They agreed to use some unused grant funds to buy scanners for all patrol members.

The New FCC Office Space

This month we held a meeting of the smallest council (Portage Valley) in the conference room here in the FCC office. We also have booked the larger conference room in the building for a variety of council related meetings including the Westside-Area plan.

Upcoming Events

Iditarod Ceremonial Start on March 6th – I am one of the security captains for the start and am looking for people to join my team at 4th and “E” Streets. I buy everyone on my team breakfast at the Downtown Deli before the start! Call me on my cell phone at 240-3868 if you want to be on my team. Its lots of fun and you get to meet a lot of the dog mushers (and their furry friends).

Citywide Cleanup May 1st thru 8th – Put it on your calendar now.

Bike to Work Day on May 21st – They will need people to be posted on key intersections to help with the count that morning. We'll let you know when team signup begins.

State Grants administered:

All grant reports are up to date.

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