

Minutes of the Tudor Area Community Council

March 4, 2010

First Church of God, Tudor and MacInnes

President Tod Butler called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. There were five members, one guest and five firemen present. The council approved the minutes for the Feb. 4, 2010, meeting without objection. Connie Quinley asked that a discussion of officer positions be added to the agenda under new business. There was no objection from the members.

Speakers:

Assembly: Assemblywoman Elvi Gray-Jackson presented her assembly report. Her notes are attached below. There was a question on Mayor Sullivan's role in the Muni providing insurance for his father, former mayor George Sullivan. Ms. Gray-Jackson explained what the Assembly knew of the matter.

Fire Station 4: Capt. Majeske reported that the cause of a recent house explosion and fire was due to a natural gas leak. A child in the house smelled the gas and notified his mom and everyone was able to get out of the house before it burned. Capt. Majeske said that house chimneys should be cleaned every year and that you should not burn trash in fireplaces because of the residue left in the chimney. He said that carbon monoxide detectors are required near all sleeping areas (as are smoke detectors). The life of these detectors is now ten years.

Capt. Majeske said that the Muni budget cuts have hit Station 4 hard. The water rescue team, divers, and boats are being disbanded as a part of the effort to save \$150,000 this year. Cook Inlet and mudflat rescues will be left to the State Troopers, as will rescues on lakes and streams in the Muni. Some of the cost of the specialized rescue teams was in keeping their certifications current. The Muni will also save incentive pay formerly spent for the specialized rescue duty.

FCC Report: The president passed the Federation of Community Council minutes around for review by attendees.

Old Business: The council discussed the flower container at David Green Park that Connie Quinley had proposed.

New Business: The president said that Channel 2 News wanted a council position on the road construction at Lake Otis Parkway and Tudor Road this summer. There was a short discussion on the Muni's request for proposals for the traffic light at E. 36th Ave and MacInnes St.

Connie Quinley volunteered for the post of council treasurer. Deanne Tuckerman volunteered to be the council's vice president. Pete Weimer made a motion that the two volunteers be approved for office. Jake Tuckerman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Quinley suggested that the council might meet quarterly, noting that there are homeowner associations within the council's boundaries. We can invite them to council meetings.

The council discussed getting new signs to advertise council meetings.

A neighbor was nominated Ronald Siebels for a Good Neighbor award for cleaning neighbor's driveways.

The council adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

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*Assemblywoman Elvi Gray-Jackson
Assembly Notes for Tudor Community Council
March 4, 2010*

- ID Check Ordinance – Brown Jug – Received 60% commitment to voluntarily check ID's. The goal is to get 100% participation. Postponed action until April 13th meeting awaiting 100% voluntary participation.
 - March 2nd
 - Anchorage Bicycle Plan – Public Hearing – Public Hearing continued to March 23rd.
 - Red Roof Inn Ordinance – public hearing closed – approved - Reconsidered
 - Special Meeting on March 16th
 - KABATA
 - Transit – Preemptive Devices
 - Red Roof Inn Ordinance

Brought forward a resolution supported by Mr. Coffey opposing any H2H alternative that will destroy neighborhoods. The resolution was unanimously approved.

Worked with Assembly members Selkregg and Claman to make necessary revisions to the Six Year Fiscal Plan. The amendments were fair and included goals that should be part of the quality of life for our citizens. Six members approved the amendments but the Mayor vetoed the revision on the floor.

2010 Budgets – Operating and Capital public hearings for both general government and the utilities ended on Tuesday, November 3rd. The Assembly will offer amendments to the budget and approve the budget at the November 17th meeting.

If the proposed Assembly amendments pass, and Mayor and vetoes the amendments, the Charter has changed and now states that “If the assembly fails to approve the budget and make the necessary appropriation within the time stated, either before or by veto override after a veto of all or a portion of a budget, the Assembly shall hold such regular or special meetings as are necessary to adopt a budget and make the necessary appropriation.”

Refinancing Bond – Not a good deal because it will cause the taxpayers an additional \$6M over the life of the extended bond payment.

State Revenue Sharing should be used for property tax relief because it is not promised. To pay for services with these funds is simply not good public policy.

The effect of not taxing to the cap = a budget shortfall to fund services in the future.”