

Federation of Community Councils, Inc.

Board of Delegates

DRAFT Minutes of October 20, 2010 meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chair, Dick Tremaine

Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

Roll Call

FCC Delegates in attendance:

Bayshore/Klatt	Marie Laule
Eagle River Valley	Tom Freeman
Government Hill	Bob French
Hillside East	Linda Lappi
Mountain View	Kep Pierce
Northeast	Bob Reupke
Rabbit Creek	Dick Tremaine
Russian Jack	Pat Butler
Sand Lake	Talbot Chang
South Addition	Elise Huggins
Spenard	Jason Bergerson
Taku Campbell	Jeff Mittman
Turnagain	Cathy Gleason
University Area	Susan Klein

Others in attendance included:

Mark Butler, FCC Manager
Dick Traini, Chair of the Anchorage Assembly
Kathleen Plunkett, Anchorage School Board
Brit Szymoniak, Government Hill CC
Donna Rymut, Government Hill CC

Agenda was reviewed.

Minutes

Motion to accept September 2010 meeting minutes by Jason Bergerson and were seconded by Tom Freeman?

Mayor's Office Report

Not represented.

ASD School District Report

Kathleen Plunkett School Board member is working with Assembly establishing a budget level and also working issues associated with projects requiring bonding.

Current enrollment is 48,000+ final enrollment number to be determined by October 22, 2010.

Jason Bergerson attended the Capital Request Advisory Committee (CRAC) meeting. ASD is putting together a Straw man 10 year capital plan. Completion of the Service High Project is currently the first priority based on the approach of completing a project before advancing to the next one. Twenty one million dollars is available from the state if it's matched with a city bond of nine million. The entire proposed Service High project is a seventy million dollar project including \$30M for maintenance; \$4M for the kitchen; \$5M for the East Wing entry and additional kitchen work; \$3.7M for the Gym; \$2.5M for the sports field; and the most controversial \$24M for a new theater.

The CRAC committee and ASD are trying to decide how much bonding the public is willing to accept. ASD retired \$150M in debt in 2010.

Polling by ASD indicated bonding for maintenance has a negative connotation and they are considering in repackaging maintenance under another label. They are also considering splitting the bonds into two categories those that have a State match verses those that don't. The CRAC Committee has revised the proposed bonding level down to \$90 M so far and are planning on additional decrease targeting \$75M.

Treasurer's Report

No treasurer's report as AI is out of town. Financial documents were distributed.

Council Center Report

Reminder to all CC's by Mark that all 2007 grant money must be spent by June 30, 2011 or it reverts back to the State. Don't wait to the last minute to submit bills for payment!

Grant submissions for 2012 should be submitted by December 15, 2010. CC's are to submit grant requests for special projects you would like in your neighborhood and lobby your representative to support it. Resolutions in support of the project are essential to getting approval/funding.

The CC's need to wean ourselves off snail mail; just cannot afford it any longer.

Assembly Report

Assembly represented by Chairman Dick Traini.

Budget cycle to begin 10-26. Chairman Traini is pursuing benefit reduction to Mayor's administrative staff (i.e. non cashable leave)

Under the Mayor's budget proposal the Anchorage Police Department will cut 22 sworn officers and the Anchorage Fire Department will lose 24 positions. There would be no Police or Fire academies this year.

Trainee said they will pursue an "impact fee" on new subdivisions that would help defray the cost of additional service demands from new subdivisions.

New city budget is requesting fees for previously free use of public buildings; this is having a negative effect on organizations like Camp Fire.

Cathy Gleason requested that a more for user friendly access for Muni Meeting Notifications be made available

Dick Traini indicated that for 2011 he has only \$30K for funding the FCC in the city budget. The current \$98K is what is needed. Each council needs to lobby their assembly representative to maintain funding to \$98K, our current level, which was reduced from previous years.

NUSA 2011 Conference Report

NUSA board visited Anchorage during the last week of September.

Registration fee for the 2011 Anchorage NUSA conference has been set at \$200 for early registration and \$350 for late registration.

Lori Holland is the tour coordinator. Tours are to be 3-4 hours in length with a lunch provided by the host CC. For example Eagle River Valley CC is proposing a tour of the Eagle River Nature center in conjunction with a Spaghetti Feed at the VA hall. Ideas for your proposed tour should be submitted via the FCC web site by Nov 10th.

Need local workshops for the NUSA conference. Some examples of organizations who have presented workshops at previous NUSA conferences were HUD, Parks, Waste Management, FEMA etc. We are targeting to have 25 workshops. Please brainstorm and submit proposals.

Thanks to all the volunteers for a great start. Need to continue to solicit volunteers for NUSA

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Tom Freeman and seconded by_____.
Motion Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Bob Laule.