South Addition Community Council Minutes, October 21, 2010

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm by Kathleen Weeks, acting for Bonnie Harris, SACC President. Motion to approve the September meeting minutes was postponed to the November meeting.

President's Report: None. Bonnie Harris was out of town.

Treasurer's Report: Funds in the SACC account are \$2,905.68.

Other Reports:

- 1. <u>Representative Les Gara</u> gave a short report focused upon Ballot Measure #1 which would expand the Alaska Legislature by 2-3 members if passed. He urged a yes vote.
- 2. <u>Senator Johnny Ellis' Representative, Mindy</u>, (phone: 269-0169) was present to collect community concerns and to invite phone calls on constituent concerns.
- 3. <u>Assembly Member Patrick Flynn</u> discussed:
 - Proposed Muni Budget cuts may cost jobs if bus routes like Route 45g are discontinued. That route is a critical link for Fairview and Mt. View to get downtown to work.
 - Aircraft taxes will double under Muni "user fee" proposals to raise added revenue (from \$75 for a single engine plane to \$150 annually). Event fees at the Parks may also be increased.
- 4. <u>Police/Fire or School District</u> reports: Fire Dept. reminded members to: use licensed and insured chimney sweeps to clean flues of fireplaces; check portable heaters and keep them away from combustibles; change batteries in smoke detectors on Nov. 6 when we change to standard time. Also discussed the impacts on local services from the proposed \$3.1 million proposed Muni Budget cut.
- 5. <u>Federation of Community Councils (FCC)</u> Report from Elise Higgins. The 2011 NUSA Convention needs applications from interested community councils to conduct Neighborhood Tours ASAP. A dinner is a requirement of each tour and there should be 25-35 visitors on each tour. The FCC Budget may be cut in the Muni Budget reductions. The Anchorage School District may include bonds for capital improvements at inlet View and Service High. Service High needs \$70 million to complete its upgrades.

New Business:

- 1. Motion by Joette Storm, seconded by Elise Huggins to support the Chugach Optional Elementary School's Garden Club's plan to keep hen chickens at the school as a part of their program. Passed 6 Yes, 0 Opposed.
- 2. John Sims of Enstar Gas explained of natural gas "Deliverability Challenges" facing our community this winter. Enstar and Alaska Legislature are trying to incentivize new production in Cook Inlet. There are trillions of feet of natural gas in the Inlet but not behind a producer's pipe right now. Enstar will have to make spot market purchases this winter.
- 3. R&M Consultants, Frawner Corp. and AWWU presented diagrams and the plans to upgrade a 645 ft. trunk sewer line north of Westchester Lagoon between Spenard and Minnesota. This will be a 2-3 week project next spring done with Cured In-Place Pipe (CIPP), which requires minimal excavation. Minimal interruptions of park activities should be expected.

Community Comments:

- 1. Phil Isley introduced himself; he is running as an Independent for District 26 AK House.
- 2. Next Month: Ed O'Neil, ARBRA representative, will explain his organization's purpose to assist local groups in cleaning up homeless camp sites around Anchorage. He will specifically address camps in the wooded area east of Valley of the Moon Park.
- 3. Paul Provencio asked that SACC President's letter to the Mayor expressing appreciation of the 9th Ave. Project not include approval of the process of community involvement or the construction process itself.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 18, 2010, 7pm, 5th Floor Pioneer's Home.