Mid-Hillside and Hillside East Community Councils

Meeting Minutes April 21, 2011

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mid-Hillside Community Council (MHCC) caretaker President Lance Powell at 7:10 pm; approximately a dozen people were in attendance. (See meeting sign-in list also-attached).

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

No action taken.

State of Alaska Legislative Report

State of Alaska legislature not in session.

Presidents' and FCC Reports

John Weddleton attended the Federation of Community Councils (FCC) meeting of April 20, 2011 and the big topic was the upcoming NUSA (Neighborhoods, USA) conference, May 25-28,2011 in Anchorage, Alaska. The FCC is looking for attendees and volunteers for the conference; a special attendance fee of \$150 versus the normal attendance fee of \$200 is being offered to all Anchorage community council members.

Assembly Report

Assembly member Jennifer Johnson discussed municipality budget issues, property taxes and her self-financed trip to Norway to review how Norway is dealing with the similar problems of Anchorage.

New Business

Sue Rodman of Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) Wildfire Mitigation spoke on the coming 2011 fire season on the Hillside and that the Firewise program is still available. The Firewise program provides some funding for qualified individuals to clear their property of fire-hazard trees. The woodlot will be open this summer on C Street across from Target.

Liz Hunt, the director of "Day Break" an adult daycare facility at approximately Jupiter Drive and Abbott Road, spoke on a proposed expansion to the facility. The Conditional Use Permit for the expansion will have a public hearing on June 6, 2011. The next MHCC and HECC meeting will address comments on the proposal.

John Weddleton spoke on the status of the Hillside District Plan which has been accepted and approved by the MOA Assembly. Home and Landowners Organization (HALO) will fund a report on the quality of Hillside water as recommended in the HDP; the report will cost approximately \$5,000. MHCC and EHCC will each contribute \$50 to HALO towards the funding of this report. Donations from individuals are encouraged.

Status of MHCC and EHCC

The need to continue the ongoing workings of the above community councils was agreed to. Discussions took place as to possible new Board members.

<u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 pm. The next meeting will be on May 19, 2011.