



# Heights Herald



The Monthly Newsletter of the Airport Heights Community Council of Anchorage, Alaska

## MEETING AGENDA FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2012 7-9 PM, AIRPORT HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ROOM 24

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| 7:00 pm       | Call to Order, administration notes, establish quorum, introductions         |
| 7:05 pm       | Approval of Agenda & November and December minutes                           |
| 7:10 pm       | Treasurer's Report   |
| Presentations | Assembly Reports   |
|               | Legislative Reports  |
|               | PTA  |
|               | Parks Committee  |
|               | Traffic Committee  |
|               | FCC Report   |
| 7:40 pm       | One Anchorage Campaign: Facts About One Anchorage & Discussion of Resolution |
| 8:00 pm       | Break  |
| 8:10 pm       | Title 21: Community discussion and resolution                                |
| 8:45 pm       | Community Announcements, Updates and Neighborhood Concerns                   |
| 9:00 pm       | Adjourn  |

### **NEW - AHCC ZONING COMMITTEE CHAIR!**

At the January meeting John Whitlock was appointed the Chair of the Zoning Committee. This is great news for the Council because John will be monitoring important issues like Title 21. At our February meeting we'll be reviewing documents John has prepared to help us understand what is happening with the Title 21 rewrite process. To get involved or to reach John about a zoning question, please email [ahcczoning@gmail.com](mailto:ahcczoning@gmail.com).

### **VISIT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE**

Facebook is a great tool for quick communications, announcements about upcoming deadlines regarding development projects in our area, upcoming events and news from our neighborhood. It is easy to join Facebook ([www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)) at no cost. Our council page is Airport Heights Community Council.

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<http://www.facebook.com/?ref=home#!/group.php?gid=101546559886095>

### **DO YOU HAVE COMMUNITY CONCERNS?**

We need your help in determining our priorities! What do you want the community council to put on the priority list? This is your community council; we need your input.

**Visit our web page at <http://www.communitycouncils.org/servlet/content/3.html>**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND DECEMBER MINUTES:** Meeting was called to order by President Geran Tarr at 7:03. There was no quorum.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** \$101.59 in bank account.

**ASSEMBLY REPORT: Assemblywoman Gray-Jackson** reported that the anticipated contract with Governor Sheffield (in the amount of \$60,000) would come before the Assembly for a vote at the January 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. **Assembly Member Gray-Jackson** will be voting no. January 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting Agenda includes - Ballot proposition re Use of Fireworks – Public Hearing is scheduled for January 31<sup>st</sup>, Ballot proposition to grant a property tax exemption to eligible widow or widower of a person killed during military service – Public Hearing is scheduled for January 31<sup>st</sup>, Ballot Proposition to change the Charter to allow for Electronic Publication of notices, ARDSA Bond Proposition - \$27,472,000 – Public Hearing is scheduled for January 31<sup>st</sup>, Park Bond Proposition - \$2,750,000 - Public Hearing is scheduled for January 31<sup>st</sup>, EMS and Public Transportation - \$1,588,000 - Public Hearing is scheduled for January 31<sup>st</sup>, Ms. Drummond and Gray-Jackson introduced an ordinance to delay the increase in vehicle registration tax until the I/M Program ends on July 1, 2012. The next Assembly meeting is January 31, 2012.

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT:** None

**PTA REPORT: Airport Heights Elementary School principal, Mike Webb,** announced there will be the **Family Fun Night, Feb. 10.** He also reported on the school bonds which will be on the April ballot. One will be for Airport Heights for the planning of remodeling or razing and rebuilding the school.

**PARKS COMMITTEE:** The April ballot will have one park bond. The funding would go to work on the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail, indoor ice rinks and a few other projects. Geran Tarr reported on the work being done at Sitka Park and the potential skateboard park that may be added. This work is being done in cooperation with the Fairview Community Council.

**TRAFFIC COMMITTEE:** Chair Tim Kacillis reported on concerns with the Knik Arm Crossing. This is not approved yet.

**FCC REPORT:** None.

**LAKE OTIS SAFETY UPGRADES:** Heather Ireland presented an update on Lake Otis safety upgrades. The history is that the neighbors sought funding for a safe walk way on the west side of the road. Now, the Muni says that a route on the west is not possible. The Muni has suggested safety upgrades on the east side. This is not ideal, but neighbors are inclined to support this as a temporary improvement. President Geran Tarr was directed to draft a letter stating that the AHCC supports the work as a temporary fix, but a long term plan needs to be developed.

**TITLE 21 COMMUNITY DISCUSSION AND RESOLUTION:** John Whitlock was appointed as the Chair of the Zoning Committee. John has read the entire document. One concern was the changing of the 50 ft. setback on waterways. It was discussed to ask someone from the Anchorage Waterway Council to come and talk about creeks and bears. Members will review documents in preparation for our next meeting where a resolution will be considered.

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES AND NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS:** Tom Wilson wrote up a document concerning the things he considered to be wasteful in the KABATA proposal.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.