



Heights Herald



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

MEETING AGENDA FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2012 7-9 PM, AIRPORT HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY

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| 7:00 pm | Call to Order, administration notes, establish quorum, introductions |
| 7:05 pm | Approval of Agenda & approval of May minutes |
| 7:10 pm | Treasurer's Report |
| Presentations | Assembly Reports |
| | Legislative Reports |
| | PTA |
| | Parks Committee |
| | Traffic Committee |
| | Zoning Committee |
| | FCC Report |
| 7:50 pm | Break |
| 8:00 pm | 1% for Art: Jocelyn Young on new art at Fire Training Facility |
| 8:15 pm | Blood Bank of Alaska: Update on new building project |
| 8:35 pm | Capital Projects: Report from community picnic |
| 8:40 pm | Title 21: Update on summer work and upcoming meetings |
| 8:45 pm | Community Announcements, Updates and Neighborhood Concerns |
| 9:00 pm | Adjourn |

JOIN US FOR THE AIRPORT HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY EVENT

TOPICS INCLUDE:
 Neighborhood crime watch
 Emergency preparedness
 Traffic issues
 Trail watch

Saturday, September 22
 9:00am-1:00 pm (lunch provided)
 Out north theater (3800 DeBarr Rd.)

REGISTER TODAY: Email airportheightssafety@gmail.com or call 360-4047

MAY 17, 2012 MINUTES

Secretary/Treasurer Becky Kurtz convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES: Jorjena Daly made the motion to adopt the minutes as written and Barbara Karl seconded. The motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Becky Kurtz reported there is a balance of \$101.59.

ASSEMBLY REPORT: **Assemblywoman Elvi Gray-Jackson** reported on issues related to the Municipal election.

At the May 8th Assembly meeting, the Body approved a contract (not to exceed \$35,000) with retired Judge Dan Hensley to provide an independent investigation of the April 3rd election. Work has begun. At a special meeting held on May 3rd in the Assembly certified the election after hearing from a hired attorney who provided an opinion on whether to certify election. Assembly members Gray-Jackson, Drummond and Flynn voted no.

Assembly approved **1st quarter budget revisions and set the mill levy**. Assembly approved Amendments included: \$250,000 to provide for pre-hiring testing, background checks and ammunitions order for a February 2013 Police Academy, \$40,000 for an Independent Investigation of the April 3rd Election, \$30 000 for independent audit of the handling of the Rollins case, Deleted Mayor's proposal to use the additional \$6.1M in Municipal Revenue Sharing for snow removal and to pay down a loan for the new Financial Accounting and Resource Plan Software. Assembly approved 9-2 to use the \$6.1M for property tax relief which equates to approximately \$60.00 property tax savings on a \$300,000 home. Mill Levy - Anchorage School District = 7.57, General Government = 8.37 Mills, TOTAL = 15.94. Property Taxes on a \$300,000 Home = \$4,782. The next meeting is May 22, 2012

LEGISLATIVE REPORT: Celeste (Senator Davis), Toby (Representative Gara), and Matt (Senator Ellis) all gave legislative updates. For individual information, please go to their respective websites.

FCC REPORT: Next fall, maybe all of the community councils can have a gathering.

PTA: Geran Tarr reported on a luncheon/meeting held at Airport Heights School. After being served a meal cooked and served by fifth graders, the principal talked about his vision of the school in the future.

PARKS COMMITTEE: Geran Tarr announced that there would be park cleanups again this year and to watch for the advertisements of the dates for the cleanups.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE: Becky reported that the city is no longer using the road bumps to calm traffic. There is a new traffic calming person for the Muni.

MERRILL FIELD AIRPORT PLAN: HDR, an engineering firm announced the date of the next public hearing. It will be June 7, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at a sight yet to be announced. To find out more: www.merrillfieldmasterplan.com

ANCHORAGE WATERWAYS COUNCIL: Staff gave a presentation. Their mission is to protect, restore, and enhance the waterways, wetlands, and associated uplands of Anchorage. They are coordinating an effort to grade the creeks.

PEOPLE MOVER: Is soliciting input for their programs. They offers **AnchorRIDES**, a complementary shared ride service for seniors age 60 and over, people whose disabilities prevent them from using the fixed route (People Mover) and other coordinated transportation; **connect**, provides limited weekday service for the general public in conjunction with eligible ADA paratransit riders; **Share-A-Ride** which coordinates commuter vanpools and offers free carpool matching services; and **free Travel Training** to groups and individuals on how to ride the bus.

FRISBEE GOLF: Gave a presentation about the organization. They have been playing at Westchester Lagoon, but the area needs to be re-vegetated and so the group has to play at other sites. Jorjenna Daly suggested the group get more public support by encouraging ethics among membership and users.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.