NECC

Northeast Community Council

Minutes – February 21, 2013

Call to Order: 7:00 PM

Board members present: Carla Hadley McConnell, David Ulmer, Lorne Bretz, Selina

Metoyer, David Ulmer, Stuart Grenier,

Board members absent: Barbara Bachmeier, Kevin Smestad

Pledge of allegiance

President's introduction: Council members introduced.

Approval of meeting agenda: A motion was made and seconded to reorder the agenda by switching item #7 and #9. MOTION FAILED Yeas: 2 Nays: 37 Abstain: 0

A motion was made and seconded to accept the agenda.

MOTION PASSED Yeas: 37 Nays: 2 Abstain: 0

Approval minutes: The November 15, 2012 meeting minutes were put forth for approval. A motion was made and seconded for approval. The minutes were unanimously accepted

Treasurer report: The balance in the NECC checking account is \$649.92. The NECC is a non-profit organization and receives no funds for the State of Alaska or Municipality of Anchorage. We therefore gladly accept all donations.

Executive report: The board met and set the agenda. Neighbor Works Anchorage discussed their proposed residential housing facility for military veterans.

Legislative Reports: Senator Bill Wielechowski, Senator Anna Fairclough, Representative Lance Pruitt, Representative Gabrielle LeDoux, Assembly Person Paul Honeman, Max Gruenberg

Business:

1. Neighbor Works Anchorage Property Development: Mr. Brian Shelton-Kelley presented proposed residential housing facility for military veterans.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the following resolution:

The NECC supports Neighbor Works Anchorage effort to attain \$4 million dollars from the State of Alaska for construction of the first phase of this project.

Much discussion occurred.

MOTION TO AMEND PASSED Yeas: 37 Nays: 2 Abstain: 2

Motion was made and seconded to amend the resolution by adding the following:

Neighbor Works Anchorage will accept a comment period from the community.

Discussion occurred.

MOTION TO AMEND PASSED Yeas: 37 Nays: 2 Abstain: 2

RESOLUTION AS AMENDED

The NECC supports Neighbor Works Anchorage effort to attain \$4 million dollars from the State of Alaska for construction of the first phase of this project.

Neighbor Works Anchorage will accept a comment period from the community.

Much discussion occurred.

MOTION PASSED Yeas: 37 Nays: 3 Abstain: 2

2. Sam's Club at Tikahtnu Commons: Mr. Doug MacIntosh presented.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the transfer of Sam's Club liquor license from their old location on Penland Parkway to the new location in Tikahtnu Commons.

Much discussion occurred.

MOTION FAILED Yeas: 12 Nays: 26 Abstain: 9

- 3. Presentation of Muldoon Fire Station Art Work: Ms. Angela Demma, 1% for Art Program presented.
- 4. Letter and resolution of support of the Boys and Girls Club request for capital grant: Ms. Carla Hadley McConnell stated that the NECC board had written a letter of support but the Boys and Girls Club would appreciate a resolution of support from the council as well. Following is the resolution.

The Northeast Community Council is a long time user of the Boys and Girls Club facility at the Northeast Community Center and a strong supporter of their mission. We support their effort in attaining grant funding of \$50,000 from the State of Alaska to purchase program equipment upgrades and storage space for their members at the Northeast Community Center Club House.

Motion was made and seconded to approve resolution.

Much discussion occurred.

MOTION FAILED Yeas: 47 Nays: 0 Abstain: 2

- 5. Park improvement projects resolution for support: Ms, Carla Hadley McConnell presented. NO ACTION TAKEN
- 6. Announcement of NECC CIP Committee meeting date: Ms. Carla Hadley McConnell presented.
- 7. Changes to NECC bylaws: Ms. Carla Hadley McConnell presented the following change:

Section 2. Election

B. For residents, property owners or business owners to be eligible to vote on board members at the annual election of board members meeting in April, they have to have attended one (1) prior meeting in the three months prior to the election.

*Reason: The addition to the bylaws was introduced to help assure that elections are not decided by possible special interest groups that may recruit voters to attend the NECC election.

Motion was made and seconded to approve amendment as presented.

Much discussion occurred.

MOTION FAILED Yeas: 6 Nays: 34 Abstain: 7

Section 5. Removal, Resignation, Vacancies

B. Board Members are required to resign from the Executive Board upon filing intent to run for public office.

*Reason: Although the NECC has been fortunate to have "Board-Members-Turned-Local-Representatives" that have served this community well, we have also had some discord amongst Board members if they are running against each other or against incumbent representatives.

Motion was made and seconded to approve amendment as presented.

Much discussion occurred.

MOTION FAILED Yeas: 2 Nays: 32 Abstain: 11

Section 5. Removal, Resignation, Vacancies

- D. A Board member may be removed for due cause by the following procedure below:
- a. Notice of cause must be presented to or by the President or his/her designee either in writing or by announcement at the Executive Board meeting.
- b. The Executive Board will decide by a majority vote whether to bring the removal before the general council.
- c. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Council members present and voting at the general meeting is required for a Board Member to be removed.

*Reason: Our current bylaws only allow removal for absence. There must be a way to remove a Board member when inappropriate behavior is evident.

Motion was made and seconded to approve amendment as presented.

Much discussion occurred.

MOTION PASSED Yeas: 34 Nays: 5 Abstain: 3

- 8. Announcement of upcoming NECC executive board elections and nominating committee: Ms, Carla Hadley McConnell presented.
- 9. Removal of Board Member Ms. Barbara Bachmeier:

Motion was made and seconded to remove Ms. Barbara Bachmeier from the board for three absences in five consecutive board meetings.

Much discussion occurred. It was noted that she had attended the February 7 executive board meeting telephonically.

MOTION PASSED Yeas: 31 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

The meeting adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

Seenetary March 21, 2013