

# Federation of Community Councils Manager's Report

February 12, 2014

## **Officer Training Seminar**

A training seminar for CC officers has been scheduled for Saturday March 1<sup>st</sup>. Contact Ombudsman Darrel Hess to participate.

## **Council Photos**

Please submit horizontal photos of your community council area. We need them to use on both your outgoing newsletter e-mailings and on your council page on the redesigned FCC website. Only five councils have submitted photos to date.

## **The FCC Secretary Position Open**

Please consider becoming FCC Secretary!

## **Candidate Forums**

There are two candidate forums scheduled for the upcoming Municipal election (which is scheduled for Tuesday April 1st). The HALO forum is on Wednesday March 5th and the Anchorage Education Association (AEA) forum is on Wednesday February 19th.

## **The Municipal Code Changed for Community Council Rules**

On Tuesday February 11, 2014, the Municipal Assembly passed an ordinance that changes the Municipal Code providing for the "Establishment, Recognition, Duties, and Responsibilities Related to Community Councils". These changes require each council to submit their bylaws to the Assembly in the near future. I recommend that we have a discussion about the changes at the March FCC meeting. I will post the new ordinance (and send it to council presidents) when I receive it. Municipal Ombudsman Darrel Hess and many council officers worked hard with Assembly members to fashion the new council ordinance.

## **January 2014's "Greatest Hits" FCC Emails**

**Bronze Medal** – "Visit our Schools" had 984 openings.

**Silver Medal** – "Revision of MOA Community Council Code" had 1030 openings.

The **Gold Medal** winner was... "Check your MOA Property Assessment" had 1611 openings with 1350 in the first 24 hours!

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