

## **Old Seward/Oceanview Community Council**

### **Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, November 26, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Beardsley at 7:02pm. There was a quorum of members present.

#### **Report of Officers**

President Steve Beardsley

Vice President (Position Vacant)

Secretary – KC Elliott was not present

Treasurer Chester House reported our November balance of \$1,906.01

#### **Visitors**

1. State Representative Craig Johnson was not present but his staff member Debbie Higgins was there. He will be returning to Juneau and serving on the Rules and Resources committee.
2. Tim Potter with DOWL HKM and Roy Roundtree, architect made a presentation on the new Station 9 Fire Station building that is being built on DeArmoun Road and Lake Otis. They will take two acres of Rabbit Creek Park and the other 7½ acres will be rezoned to dedicated parkland. This project will go to bid this coming February with construction scheduled for the next season. They added a road right of way along Lake Otis Parkway to put a 50 ft. buffer for the neighbors. This project has passed all departments and will be going before the Urban Design Commission in January. The cost of the building will be 4.7 million dollars and no cost for the land as it is parkland. The current building will be used until the new one is constructed. With the current plan they will not be able to turn left onto DeArmoun Road from the front entrance of the building due to a divider the State DOT has installed, instead they will have to go to the side of the building and enter Lake Otis and turn left from there onto DeArmoun. Our community council would like more information on this so we can make a resolution. The current building will be used until the new building is constructed.

The fate of the old building will go through the process with the city looking at the site to see if they have any need for this building. A library and community center has been suggested. If no need is found it will go out to bid to the public sector.

The question was addressed as to whom this new station will serve. Changes will happen and all trucks are issued by a computer with the goal of a 4 minutes response time.

#### **Old Business**

Currently there are not any updates on our projects

#### **New Business**

1. Traffic Calming. We have had requests for help with two streets who are having problems. The manual was sent by the city Engineer who is assigned to this and after discussion on how to apply, etc. it was recommended that we apply for flashing speed signs to place on both of those streets.

The meeting was adjourned @ 8:22pm.

Our next meeting will be on December 17<sup>th</sup>

Minutes prepared by: Nancy Beardsley