

Tudor Area Community Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday, December ..., 2015 First Church of God on MacInnes & Tudor
***1st non-holiday Thursday of the month, September-May, 7pm**

Jake Tuckerman, chair, called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. Last month's meeting minutes were approved.

Assembly Report Elvi Gray-Jackson & Dick Traini were both present. See attached.

Legislative Report Andy Josephson was present and gave us an update. House bill 3001 & the gas line were included. There will be a town hall meeting January 9 that Andy and Berta will participate in. Governor Walker's budget will be coming next month, may include changes to annual PFD and an income tax. Samantha spoke for Berta Gardner. Berta is on the AK Safe Children's Act task force (Erin & Brie's Law) and there will be a memorium citation for Elizabeth Newman. January 9 town hall meeting will be at West Romig Library, Cliff Grove will be there, as well as Andy, Berta, and Harriet Drummond.

Federation of Community Councils (FCC) Report Jake gave FCC report. New on-line APD reporting system (current within 4 days), among other topics.

Guest Speakers Bruce Schulte & Kim with AIMA, Marijuana Control Board, came to speak about current issues and answer questions. This board is a good cross-section of people from "both sides" if you will. Bruce is the chair of the State Marijuana Reg Board. Palmer is the only community that has "opted out" so far. 1 community council in Anchorage has "opted out" of having marijuana businesses in their area. Nov. 24 was deadline for marijuana regs to be in place. There were a LOT of questions and much interest in this topic.

New Business *Wed. Dec. 9 School Board looking for public input, budget discussion. *Draft Muni Code to enable marijuana establishments public hearing is 12/14/15 at Loussac. *If you see an illegal homeless camp that needs cleaned up (or just need info) call N. Welch at muni.org, 786-2437, with Community Action Policing Team. *Dec. 11 comments are due for Project 14-47, 36th Ave retaining wall 95% review. *Tudor Rd "pavement preservation," AKSAS project 58507 is looking for public comments. *Tod will substitute chair January 7 meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen Carlson, Secretary

Assembly Report:

-At the October 27th meeting, the Assembly approved a change to the Tax Cap Calculation which will allow the amount of taxes "allowed" for

collection as the base for the next year's calculation instead of the amount of taxes "actually" collected. This does not immediately represent a tax increase but allows both the Mayor and the Assembly to determine whether to cut services or increase taxes after input from the citizens. The vote was 7-4.

-Assembly Member Evans is introducing an ordinance at the December 8th meeting to approve a ballot proposition for the April 5th election that would amend the Anchorage Municipal Charter Section 14.03(a) to require that the "total amount [of municipal tax] approved by the Assembly for the preceding year" be the total amount of tax approved by the Assembly for collection in the preceding year. Public Hearing will be January 12th, 2016.

-At the November 10th meeting, the Assembly approved the omnibus fines and fees ordinance. Copies can be found on line at www.muni.org.

-At the November 10th meeting, the Assembly approved the enhanced "Spice Ordinance" which provides substantial changes to the penalty section and increases the fine schedule. It also provides a more effective way for law enforcement to address the increase in illicit synthetic drugs in our community. A copy of the ordinance can be found on line at www.muni.org.

-At the November 24th meeting the Assembly approved the 2016 Operating and Capital budgets for the MOA, and a reorganization which established the Economic and Community Development Agency. The reporting departments under this agency are: Development Services, Library, Parks and Recreation, Planning, and Real Estate. Highlights from the General Government Budget follows:

*Total approved budget - \$480,886,548 *Debt Service represents - \$56,454,845 of that amount *Assembly proposed increase to the Senior Center based on the CPI- \$5,700 *Assembly proposed increase to Animal Care and Control for one additional officer and other contractual costs.

*Two regular Police Academies and one additional based on recruiting fully trained officers *One Fire Academy

-The Marijuana Sales Tax Draft Ordinance will be reviewed by the Assembly Budget/Finance Committee at noon on December 17th in the Assembly Conference Room – City Hall.

-Assembly Member Evans will also be introducing a ballot proposition asking the voters if they want a sales tax.

Next meeting – January 7th