Old Seward Oceanview Community Council Meeting Minutes from February 24, 2016



Meeting called to order, with a quorum, at 7:03 p.m.

- Meeting agenda changes per President Steve Beardsley: No teleconference with State Senator
 or State Representative representatives the teleconference line has been eliminated at the
 school due to budget cuts. Sue Lang's presentation on Emergency Preparedness was added to
 the agenda.
- January meeting minutes approved without change.

Reports

- · Vice President, Roselynn Cacy: None
- Treasurer, Stan Moll: Confirmed account balance is \$1,876.09.
- · Secretary, Stephanie Love: None
- Federation of Community Councils (FCC) Chair, Nancy Beardsley:

 Notes of interest from the previous FCC meeting: Assemblyman Traini presented the new Ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly Amending Municipal Code Chapter 2.40 to Provide for Neighborhood Responsibility Planning for Marijuana Establishments-that was available for pick up at the meeting. Mayor's Office would like to hear from Community Councils the one road and one park project they would like to have improved in their communities. Those are to be submitted by March 31. Mayor is going to have mobile office hours, making himself available before upcoming Community Council meetings-more information to come. In regards to Anchorage first responders, a new police academy is happening soon, and the Fire Dept. is looking to hire 25 new fire fighters. Ground will be broken for the new transit center by the end of the year. Hillside and Mid-hillside Community Councils are merging into one. More information can be found at communitycouncils.org.
- Land Use Committee Chair: Pete Johnson shared his experience with the phone calls he's
 received from the IRS, which are scams. The first point of contact from the IRS will be through the
 mail, not phone.
- Rail Road Committee Chair: Bob Gastrock said Governor is now involved, and progress is slow and steady. Issue is with the use of right of way. More information can be found at communitycouncils.org.

Guest Presentations

- State Senator McGuire: No representative present. Senator McGuire has a newsletter with updates on her website.
- State Representative Johnson: No representative present. Robert Ervine sent notes with highlights from Juneau. Everything revolves around the state budget.
- Local Assembly: No representative present
- Anchorage School District Board: Tam Agosti-Gisler was there to speak about the bond that is on the April ballot. She also gave an update on the Superintendent search and the increased salary of \$236K being offered. There will be meetings in April for the public to weigh in on the final Superintendent candidates.
- Mayor's Office: Katie Dougherty from the Economic and Community Development Office, and Mayor Berkowitz's Community Council representative, shared the Mayor's next open office hours takes place April 14 at City Hall. Please RSVP to Ms. Dougherty at 343-7170 if you would like to attend. She is working on the Vision Zero program-the launch was March 3. Vision Zero is a worldwide initiative to cut traffic related injuries and fatalities to zero. A follow-up from the previous meeting, Ms. Dougherty spoke with Gary Jones from the Municipality Planning Dept. about the line of site at 120th planning wouldn't start until 2019 and construction 2021 because of the money needed. In regards to Klatt's line of site issues, Gary Jones wasn't aware of the

- problem so she will share the issues with him. Station 9 construction is moving along they are hoping to celebrate the opening around July 4.
- Matt Edge from CRW Engineering Group, LLC talked about the E. Klatt Road area drainage improvements. Project is funded through design; however \$600-\$1 Million is needed from bonds to complete the project. People can call 562-3252 for more information.
- Brian Broderick, owner of the property being renovated on the west side of Old Seward Highway between Huffman and De Armoun, assured the Council that, despite the rumors, the property is not going to be used as a drug and alcohol rehab facility. The property is going to be turned into 300 sq. ft. apartments for rent on a yearly basis.
- Sue Lang, a member of the Lowell Point Volunteer Fire Dept. on the Kenai Peninsula, has gone
 through Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training and spoke about everyone's
 need to be prepared for a major earthquake. She provided many informational handouts,
 including a Map Your Neighborhood worksheet. Ms. Lang can be contacted at
 suelang@alaskan.com or 491-9110 (cell) for more information.

New Business

- Nancy Beardsley moved that Resolution B be adopted by the Community Council. Stephanie Love second the motion. A vote on the Marijuana Special Land Use Permit Application Resolution B was approved 14-0.
- Nancy Beardsley moved that Resolution No. 2016-2 be adopted by the Community Council. The motion was second. Tim Sullivan from the Alaska Rail Road had questions about resolution, and Steve Beardsley answered the questions for him, including clearing up that this proposed Resolution was introduced and made public at the January meeting. Tim stated he felt they were being singled out by having a Committee to just address Rail Road issues. As a representative of the Rail Road, which Mr. Sullivan stated owns property within the Council boundaries, Mr. Sullivan expressed interest in serving on the Rail Road Committee. Nancy Beardsley took his name, as well as the names of others interested in serving on that Committee. A vote on Resolution No. 2016-2 establishing an Alaska Railroad Committee and Reporting, which allows the committee the right to operate during the summer, was approved 10-5.
- Steve Beardsley also asked that those who want to be on the Marijuana committee give their name to Nancy Beardsley.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

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