# MINUTES: ABBOTT LOOP COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## August 28, 2017

**Meeting called to order** by President Bruce Roberts at 6:30 pm at Abbott Loop. 20 people were in attendance.

**Officers and Board members present**: Bruce Roberts, Patti Higgins, Michael Moeglein, Pat O'Hara, Faith Alexander, Amanda Hesser

**Minutes from May 25, 2017** are online.

**Treasurer's Report:**

**Assembly member Felix Rivera:** The Parks Foundation wants to host a fundraiser with the Abbott Loop Community Council's Parks and Rec Committee to help raise money for the new playground/dog park at Whisper Faith Kovich Park.

**Assemblyman Traini:** Public Hearing on DHHS's proposed new building on Tudor & Elmore will be on 9/6/2017, 1:00 at Public Safety. SWS is looking at Bear Resistant Containers (not bear-proof.) All marijuana license first renewals have to have a public hearing.

**Assembly member Suzanne LaFrance:** She attended a conference in Haines for Assemblymembers, mayors, etc. Slow police response times were a topic.

Copies of all documents can be found at:
http://www.muni.org/Residents/Pages/MuniMeetings.aspx

**ASB member Andy Holleman**: Class sizes are up throughout the district except for K-3. 100 positions were cut due to budget cuts. Andy thanked our Assembly for staying at the maximum allowed by the State for funding. Kasuun was one of the four schools to receive Mt Iliamna students. He and Dave Donley would like to know how it's going.

**Assembly member John Weddleton:** John is pushing for the Public Notice signs to be redesigned so they answer the basic questions: Where, Why, Who, What, and When. In response to traffic calming John said a lot is driven by the MTP (Metropolitan Transportation Plan) which emphasizes no gridlock at rush hour vs traffic calming.

**FCC Bruce Roberts:** No FCC meeting for the summer.

**Roads and Projects – Bruce Roberts:** 1st phase of O'Malley has begun and the Seward Hwy construction in ongoing. 2018 2nd half of Abbott Rd; 2019 Upper part of O'Malley. Q&A: Why can't we have more speed bumps? Firetrucks have a huge problem responding on routes over speedbumps. Q) Faith Alexander brought a letter from the neighbors along Lore who want traffic calming. A) that section of Lore is now a major arterial and will be an underpass designed to have faster traffic. That's a huge problem because there are a lot of homes fronting Lore with small children. A child was hit by a taxi last week. We will try to get the traffic engineer to come to the next meeting.

**Parks and Trails Committee – Amanda Hesser -** WFK challenge grant was received and the fundraising for the match and for additional funds will begin. The committee will meet with Parks and Rec later this month. In the Spring we will start in the remodeled parking lot and restrooms.

**Cannibus Committee- Amanda Hesser:** Liquor licenses are up for review. The Council has the list online linked from the Agenda. There are two Cannibus renewals: Danish Gardens and Great North Cannibus. There is a new application for Tundra Jane and they will present to the ALCC in September.

**Q&A:** People are now getting tickets instead of police records for some crimes because of SB91. There is an increase in crime. Nora with APD is exploring a model in Spenard, Fairview, Mtn View, and Downtown. Our Assembly members will pass our concerns to the Police Chief.

**Announcements –** Elections will be held on September 28, 2017. If you would like to be on the printed ballot please call Bruce or Patti.

**Next meeting** will be Thursday, September 28, 2017 at Abbott Loop Elementary from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.