



Bayshore/Klatt Community Council

October 26, 2017

General Membership Meeting

Consent Agenda

Call to order: Meeting commenced at 7:00 PM.

Council members Hoffman, Carter and Pichon were present

President Hoffman passed out the sign up sheets and previous minutes approved after notation that date change should be 2021 from 2012 for the New Seward Highway project by Mr. Shawn Clark and Mr. Bob Laule

Treasure's report: \$1182 with no change

FCC Report by Bob Laule reported Assy. Dick Trani working on funding formula changes. Bonding is not to be used for maintenance but must be paid for.

Bayshore Klatt Patrol by Glen Yancha reported that MOA Parks and Recreation is only closing the park gate on Friday and Saturday nights. Brief discussion followed.

Except as noted below, no other consent agenda members were present

Legislative report

Rep Charles Kopp (via phone): Extensive discussion on upcoming Crime Bill and what is and is not working. Overall the bill will provide for higher jail time for Class A misdemeanors and APD will have the ability to arrest people more aggressively. Also discussion on Governor's proposal on a "head tax" so that anyone who works in Alaska will pay a tax.

Sen. Von Imhof: In depth discussion of upcoming initiative to try to pool all statewide health insurance coverage into one large entity, with the theory that the buying power of this entity would engender added cost savings. One member commented that this was already occurring with some unions and "The. Coalition." Much is still to be decided on this topic.

Assembly person LaFrance: Discussion on possible 10 cent gas tax which would be offset by some property tax relief. Suggested the Port of Anchorage faced serious maintenance issues. Some relief could come through a revenue bond to fund construction. Sen. Von Imhof suggested funding could come from several sources.

Assembly person Weddleton: Discussed possible Muni issuance of Certificates of Participation to assist in paying down the debt of the Police and Fire Retirement system for those who are already retired. Much confusion regarding the question. No council action taken.

Nancy Burke (Mayor's office): Nancy spoke at length about the homeless problem in Anchorage. While the rental market is softening some, it is still too expensive for many. During periods of extreme cold, churches are opening to assist. 30-35% of the homeless are economically stressed, while 55% are victims of something, many need treatment for drugs or alcohol. Approximately 20-25% have ongoing disabilities and cannot maneuver the system on their own.

President Hoffman reviewed some of the issues, especially related to safety and patrol of the revised par area at John's and Klatt. He was especially thankful that our own Community Patrol had played in the effort this past summer.

No further discussion was held.

The next meeting will be Dec. 28 at location to be determined due to the Christmas holiday week.

The meeting ended at 8:35 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Pichon
Secretary