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**Minutes  
Tudor Area Community Council  
November 6, 2003**

The monthly meeting of the Tudor Area Community Council was called to order November 6, 2003, at First Christian Methodist Episcopal Church by vice-president Andrée McLeod.

**Members and guests in attendance:** See attached sign-in sheet.

**Minutes:** Copies of minutes of the October 2, 2003, meeting were distributed. Minutes were approved as presented.

**Agenda:** Approved as presented.

**Federation of Community Councils Report:** Andrée McLeod reported 1) an APD officer will visit our Council meetings on a regular basis to address one or two problem areas chosen by Council members; 2) the MOA proposes to reduce the Federation of Community Councils' annual budget from \$108,000 to \$26,000, which would eliminate the office and staffing of the FCC; 3) the cost of conducting a citywide FCC survey is \$15,000; and 4) an "All-Hazard Mitigation Plan" is available from the MOA. Andrée noted that people parking cars on 37<sup>th</sup> Ave. prevent the streets from being properly plowed; she said this could be a problem area for the APD officer to address.

**Correspondence:** Andrée reported that the following items had been received: 1) Assemblyman Doug Van Etten's Assembly report, 2) a notice from Jennifer Payne of the Anchorage International Airport stating a public meeting will be held Nov. 17, 6 to 8 p.m., at the Spenard Recreation Center to discuss the airport's summer 2004 construction season, 3) a newsletter from Gov. Frank Murkowski, and 4) an MOA list of fee increases proposed by Parks and Recreation and the Planning Department.

**Unfinished Business:**

- a) Andrée attended and reported on the U-Med meeting of October 4, 2003 at APU, where she pushed for northeast access.
- b) Diane Etter testified on behalf of the Council at the AMATS meeting. The draft 2003 Long Range Transportation Plan and 2004-2006 Traffic Improvement Plan did not address the U-Med area. Though Lance Wilber said the appropriate time to bring up our issues is during the mass rewrite of the plan, Diane Etter feels a letter from the Council now will be helpful. **MOTION:** It was moved by Kevin Frank, seconded by Carrie Longoria and carried unanimously, *that the Executive Committee of the Tudor Area Community Council will draft a letter to AMATS to state the Council's position, given our area's traffic needs regarding safe access and egress.*

**New Business:**

- a) Eric Tuott, a former resident of the Council and a member of the Anchorage Fire Department, spoke as a public citizen about the potential effects of cuts in fire department funding. **MOTION:** It was moved by Kevin Frank, seconded by Connie Quinley, and passed unanimously, *that the Executive Committee of the Tudor Area Community Council will draft a letter to the MOA urging that there be no loss of filled positions [within the Anchorage Fire Department] and no loss of fire apparatus due to cuts in the 2004 budget.*
- b) Tim Ridle, an employee of the Municipality of Anchorage Solid Waste Services, spoke about the potential effects of hiring private contractors to do the work currently done by Solid Waste Services. Persons who want more information on the topic may contact Mr. Ridle at [tridle@ak.net](mailto:tridle@ak.net), or may contact Brian Vanderwood, SWS foreman, at 343-6258, [VanderwoodBG@ci.anchorage.ak.us](mailto:VanderwoodBG@ci.anchorage.ak.us).

**Assembly Report:** Assemblyman Doug Van Etten reported that senior citizens will need to live in the state for a minimum of 185 days yearly to qualify for property tax relief. Van Etten also reported that a new ordinance allows a citizen to take an Anchorage resident to small claims court if the city does not take action on the citizen's nuisance complaint within 30 days of filing.

Submitted by Connie Quinley, recording secretary pro tem