

MVCC Minutes

August 13, 2018

Call to order 6:08pm

Call to Order:

Agenda: added discussion about board elections. Jack Klauschie moved, David Brown seconded. Approved as amended.

Previous Meeting Minutes: Approved as amended. Fred Owens moved, David Brown second.

Announcements: Jasmin had nothing to report for FCC. The council received notice of Marijuana License renewals.

Schools Committee Chair: Tasha reported that school starts next week. Reported on the playground fire at MV Elementary. Replacement equipment will be new— we anticipate a proposal from ASD for community input in September. MV Elementary has also selected its 1% for Art project.

Treasurer's Report: Cat reported for Daniel that we still have not resolved an outstanding invoice for last year's cleanup with Ramsey.

Presentations and Appearance Requests:

New Leadership at JBER— Colonel Bobby Davis met the council and introduced other members. Announced that EIS resulted in approval of runway extension, and noise reduction. The only time residents should hear airplanes is if the winds are strong out of the north, which will affect JBER choice of runway landing. Fred Owens posed questions about rerouting the railroad around JBER. Rep Tarr commented about means of communication, and that direct mail was helpful to obtain community input. All looked forward to partnering with the community.

Polar Little League, Steve Schaber— North East Community Council has proposed an alternate use for their little league Pena field, to turn it into a dog park. While not in our council boundaries, it does affect our little league district. Our little league district encompasses 3 community councils. MV fields are being used as much as possible. Fields that are public use cost thousands of dollars to rent from the city, and are not up to par. Steve is looking for a resolution of support to have the city re engage with little league in a cost effective way, with a traditional use agreement. Rep Tarr suggested a park master plan as there are many user groups. Tasha asked questions about how many MV kids participate in the program and actually play at Pena. Dave and Steve attested to growing numbers.

David made a motion that the executive committee call the NECC and ask to put their decision on hold as multiple user groups are interested. Jack seconded. 1 opposed. Passed. Jasmin will report back.

Resolutions/New Business:

Neighborhood Logo Contest: The Council would like to hold a logo contest for neighborhood pride and council communications. More upcoming.

Community Solution Ideas: Meeting format changes suggested. MountainViewCommunityCouncil@gmail.com created. We want to add substance and priorities to council committees as well. Jasmin suggested changing the membership age minimum to 14 years. Tasha suggested having an advisory committee for youth. Jack mentioned the correlation to the Assembly's non-voting youth member, who is a MV resident.

Elections: If interested, please submit your name. See the bylaws for eligibility. Commitment is minimally 10 hours a month. The next meeting will be held at the MV Library. Sept 10th.

Legislative Reports:

Senator Begich: reported on MV Elementary fire playground replacement, that there was great involvement from ASD. Because the damage costs did not meet the deductible, fundraising will be needed. Commented that Josh is working on human trafficking and homelessness issues. SB 91 changes are bringing to take effect as of July 1. They are working on preparing their expungement bill for the upcoming session, which came right out the Mountain View Library, to help those with marijuana crimes on their record. Fred Owens asked questions about oil prices and senator position on PFD.

Representative Tarr: Made us zucchini bread! Wahoo! Reported on the Rape Kit Reform Bill signed this summer. For our local area, she had a bill passed to honor Hmong Veterans. Last week, trauma-informed DHHS state policy passed to help recognize the difficult circumstances our children are being raised in. A bill to promote Alaska Grown will be signed at the Mountain View Farmer's Market on August 30th. On Sept 22, Rep Tarr will hold a constituent meeting to talk about what is missing for our youth in relation to public safety. She is working on long term vision for our community center, and encouraging our mayor to think about quality of life for youth in our neighborhood.

Community Partner Updates:

MV Library, David Brown: reported on a freeze on donations at the library. Every department has to create a Title 6 translation plan. Working on food handlers test translation. The sign on the side of the library purchased by the community council has been damaged, and needs repair. There has been a 15% increase in circulation.

Chris Woodward, Principal: thanked everyone for support at MV Elementary with the playground fire. He will be back in September with the new proposal. Jeff commented that the ADP would like to assemble a team to help.

Anchorage Community Land Trust, Cat Taylor: MVFM continues until September 20th. Kids Day is this week with free face painting, new sandbox, music and a free meal in honor of long time board member/resident Don Crandall.

Dave Barney, MV Boys and Girls Club: reported on National Night Out being a success even with a thunderstorm. School is about to start. About 80-100 kids come here from school.

Rural CAP: 54 units available at Sitka Place, 24/7 onsite staffing.

Brown Jug, Erika: has completed the entire facade improvement in the MOU and other items.

AK Center, Evan Anderson: Nonpartisan GOTV canvass on Wednesday. Tuesday Aug 21 is primary Election Day, either at the community center or MV Elementary depending on precinct.

Bob Lincoln: Invited residents to First Friday of every month, Denny's on Debarr @ 6pm for Community Patrol Meeting.

Member Comments:

Ian Blanton commented that he has experienced violence, drunken behaviors, and public indecency in this neighborhood. There are constant fights, wild behavior, constant speeding, and he would like to see action. 203 North Hoyt. Would like to see more officers on the street. The homeless problem in Davis Park exacerbates bear activity.

Request for tree undergrowth to be cut back across from Davis Park, to create better eyesight lines. Senator Begich took up the initiative to call as well.

Move to adjourn by Jasmin, second by Jack. 8:05pm