

TO: Federation of Community Councils
THRU: Jake Horazdovsky, President
FROM: Darryl Parks, Secretary
SUBJECT: Draft Chugiak Community Council (CCC) Minutes for February 21, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The President called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present:

Jake Horazdovsky, President
Blake Merrifield, Vice President
Darryl Parks, Secretary
Burke Wonnell, Treasurer
Gina Parks, Board Member
Rashae Johnson, Board Member
Maria Rentz, Board Member
Harold Parker, (Alternate)

Excused:

Patrick Donnelly, (Alternate)
Leslie Echols, Board Member

Absent:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes After Checking the recording for info on “What has to be in the plans” by Darryl, 2nd by Burke. Motion passed unanimously.

Copies of the Chugiak Community Council’s meeting minutes and bylaws are available on the FCC’s website at www.communitycouncils.org (Click on Chugiak). These minutes are a summary form of the discussion and key decisions. Audio files of the full discussion are also available on the website.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda after adding Tom by Maria, 2nd by Burke. Motion passed unanimously.

Guest Presentations

- **Yates Compound into Park** – Vincent English – Mr. English presented a package for turning the “Yates” property at 24238 Rambler Rd. into a park. Mr. English is a neighbor of the property, and the property has been a source drug activity and other crime for years. The lot is ¾ acre and already zoned for use as a park. He requested the Council’s concurrence for the initiative to pursue the park by going to the Anchorage Assembly. Some conditions related to fencing and parking were brought up by John Rodda from Anchorage Parks Dept. and he is already aware and supports the effort. HLB has control of the property for back taxes.

The adjacent ¼ acre may be available in the near future also making the effort a full acre. The council voted unanimously 23 yeas – 0 nays in favor of supporting the initiative.

- **School Bond Presentation** – Starr Marsett, School Board Member - No Show
- **Anchorage Alcohol Tax** – Jason Bakensted – Discussion centered on the Assembly approving a ballot measure for a 5% retail sales tax on alcohol to the voters. The money is dedicated to programs for inebriates, a new substance abuse treatment center, expansion of the Anchorage Safety Patrol and additional homelessness resources (including camp clean ups). Concerns were brought out about making sure the Muni is not the operator of the treatment facility and this should be a concession or privately run. \$170K is the estimate for the administration.
- **AMATS Transportation Corridor Study** – Matt Cruickshank – Discussion centered on the potential projects from the study that affect the Chugiak/Eagle River area. 2 projects were identified for our area. Artillery Road Reconstruct was the first project discussed. The project involves adding a 3rd lane on to the highway as well as an additional lane into Eagle River over the bridge. Highland road Interchange was the second project changing the traffic flow allowing free flow of traffic onto Eagle River Loop Rd. and the highway without backing up traffic. This is 10% State funding and 90% federally funded, not CBERRSA funded. The funds will be used this year regardless of the project, the goal is to get one, or both, projects for our area on the funded list.

Unfinished Business

- **Eagle River Cemetery** – Tom Looney – Tom talked about the previous effort where this initiative had been worked on before. Locations previously looked at were in the Beach Lake area. Tom had even spoke with Eklutna and they were interested as well. The idea is that a coalition of people from the various council districts in the area will be needed to work through this, Birchwood, Eagle River, Eagle River Valley, and South Fork. Although this had been referred to the CERAB, they have not met in some time. With some pressure from the Council, Tom agreed to take this up for the Council to reach out to the neighboring Councils. A motion was made by Gina Parks and seconded by Burke Wonnell to formally designate Tom Looney as the representative for the Chugiak Community Council's interests on issues related to the pursuit of a cemetery in the local area. The motion carried unanimously.
- **Earth Quake Damage** – Jake discussed an issue from our last meeting related to whether or not plans are required for building in our area. Jake stated that all bracing elements need to be on the plans for the purposes of inspection. This was contrary to what was mentioned at our last meeting. There was discussion on the differences between a "Land Use" and a "Building" permit. Bart Quimby, a local engineer, mentioned that after performing numerous post-earthquake home inspections and after meeting with the Muni engineers, it is becoming more clear that lower building standards in the Chugiak/Eagle River area were major factors in the increased damages in our area. This will be a topic of discussion for the foreseeable future.
- At the of the code discussion Gina Parks motioned, Burke Wonnell that we postpone the discussion and postpone the remainder of our updates to make sure we could get elections done this evening.

Reports/Updates

Assembly

- No update

Legislative

- No update

Chugiak Fire – Chief Bennington - N/A

CBERRRSA Road Board Report – Ted Carlson -

- Will report next month.

Chugiak Eagle River Advisory Board – Maria Rentz

- The Board has not met recently.

Federation of Community Councils Update – Darryl Parks

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Financial (Treasurer’s Report) – Burke Wonnell

- No changes from last month. \$2515.18 in Savings and \$312.78 in Checking.

ER/C Parks and Recreation Board of Supervisors – Tony Sisto

- Tony discussed Vincent English’s park proposal with the board, and the Mac Center is doing well financially.

Secretarial – Darryl Parks

- No report

General Council Business – Jake Horazdovsky

- No report

New Business

- None

Elections

- Six Council Seats

○ Seat 1 – Eklutna/Thunderbird Falls	Burke Wonnell	
○ Seat 3 – West Peters Creek/Mirror Lake	Rashae Johnson	
○ Seat 5 – East Peters Creek/Mirror Lake	Blake Merrifield	Serving At Large
○ Seat 6 – Chugiak/Fire Lake	Darryl Parks	
○ Seat 7 – At Large	Tom Looney	
○ Alternate A – At Large	Vincent English	
- Officer Elections

○ President	Darryl Parks
○ Vice President	Blake Merrifield
○ Treasurer	Burke Wonnell
○ Secretary	Tom Looney
- CERAB Board Positions

○ Jake Horazdovsky	Primary
○ Tom Looney	Alternate

Open Forum

- Darryl Parks briefed the resolution moving through the Federation of Community Councils asking to change Title 21 changing the notifications and timelines to better serve councils. The federation is asking for 31 day notifications and adjacent property owners at 1000' vice 500' be notified by mail.
- Blake briefed the Voyles pedestrian walkway work upcoming. The Road Board is looking for comments on the project by March for summer construction.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the CCC meeting by Jake, 2nd by Gina. The motion passed with none opposed. The meeting adjourned at about 9:25 pm.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting will be 03/21/2019 at 7:00 p.m. and will be held at the Elsie Oberg Community Center.

The Chugiak Community Council serves Fire Lake, Chugiak, Peters Creek, Mirror Lake, Thunderbird Heights and Eklutna. We meet at 7pm on the third Thursday of the month at the Chugiak Benefit Association's North building, the Elsie Oberg Community Center (18606 Old Glenn Highway).