

Turnagain Community Council Minutes
Regular Meeting October 5, 2006

Mark Wiggin, President, called the meeting to order and made opening remarks.

I. Approval of Minutes. The September 7, 2006, meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

II. APD Liaison. Sgt. Cindi Stanton, who has been reinstated as community liaison, discussed calls for service in our area for July 27 through September 28. The reports showed slight increases in traffic stops and reports of suspicious circumstances. She explained that the suspicious circumstance calls might be a good sign of neighbors watching out for activities that may give police leads on later crime events.

III. Announcements. Mark Wiggin invited ideas on a new Turnagain Subdivision “Turnagain by the Sea” sign along W. Northern Lights. Bill Madsen of the Spenard Hostel International lost his case before Planning & Zoning. TCC supported his effort but it is not known what he plans on doing at this point. TCC officer and board elections will be held in November.

IV. Recycling Program. Cathy Gleason handed out Volunteer Awards from the Mayor’s Office and Federation of Community Councils to Dan Gleason, Frank Keen, and Joan McKinnon. Not present for their awards were Maureen Clark, Larry and Barbara Holman and Kristin Simac – who all volunteered on the Recycling Program in the past year, Jack Hartz and Cathy Gleason received their awards at an FCC meeting in July. Also receiving Volunteer Awards were Mark Wiggin and Breck Tostevin for their work on the TCC Board. Cathy Gleason announced that the TCC volunteer recycling program had raised \$70.11 in the past two months. The program is looking for a new drop-off site to store cans until they can be taken to the recycling center the next week. Please contact Cathy if you can help out.

V. Turnagain School Ice Rink. In response to a presentation by Laura Zettler, Turnagain Elementary PTA Ice Rink Coordinator, Dan Gleason moved to donate \$1,000, if TCC had a balance of \$2,000 more in our account, towards maintenance of the ice rink, which is open to community members. The TCC checking account had a balance as of April 28, 2006, of \$4,536.28, some of which is dedicated to Didlika Park upgrades. Dan accepted a friendly amendment by Mark Wiggin to change the donation amount to \$750. The motion was passed unanimously, 31-0.

VI. Pump Station 10 Project. Mark Wiggin led a discussion of AWWU’s truck routing and traffic plan proposals as well as summarized discussions from TCC subcommittee meetings with AWWU on the Pump Station 10 construction traffic issues. Route 4 is AWWU’s preferred route, which goes from WNL to McKenzie

Dr., then along a newly constructed access road in the Illiamna ROW to the project site. Groundbreaking for the project is scheduled for May 2007. Major issues to be mitigated are speed, dust, hours of trucking operations, noise and how to get trucks out of the area during rush hour. Everyone is encouraged to provide input to committee members; next meeting is scheduled for October 12, 6 p.m. at AWWU. The traffic plan will be drafted November 15 and the project design at 95% completion by November 29.

VII. Legislative Report. Sen. Hollis French gave the legislative report on the Petroleum Profits Tax and Capital Budget items in our area. He discussed his interest in introducing a health insurance bill and addressing the PRS/TRS retirement funding issue. He also noted his work on a Habitat for Humanity 3-plex project in Spenard and encouraged members to volunteer over the winter on the project. The community council should let him know by January what CIP projects we would like to see funded by the Legislature.

VIII. House District 26 Candidate's Forum. The TCC heard from Lindsey Holmes and Steve Strait who are running for the State House District seat vacated by Ethan Berkowitz. Several topics were addressed, including municipal revenue sharing, the gas pipeline, education funding, closed caucus meetings, land use airport/municipal jurisdiction, the "bridges to nowhere," gang activity and ethics reform.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Breck Tostevin, Secretary/Treasurer.