

SAND LAKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY 7:00PM AUGUST 14, 2006
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AGENDA

7:00PM INTRODUCTIONS - Nancy Bentley volunteers to be our Secretary!

7:10PM TREASURERS REPORT/APPROVAL OF FEB AND JUNE MINUTES

7:20PM ASSEMBLY UPDATE

7:30PM LEGISLATORS UPDATE

7:45PM We will begin our State House Representatives debate forum. At this point I want to publicly apologize for not including two candidates who are running for the state house district 28 which has 30% of their district in our council. This is the area south of Dimond, behind Carrs/Safeway and the homes on the bluff. This was brought to my attention by candidate Valerie Baffone, who is running for the state house. Thank you Valerie for forgiving me and thank you for attending this forum! It is with her phone call that I realized I had forgotten about this small section and this includes Craig Johnson running also! Thank you also Craig for the forgiveness and for attending this meeting, also! I also apologize for missing another candidate for the senate race. This was brought to my attention by a resident. Mr. Ray Utter(D) for the Senate is another candidate, as is Ms. Lesil McGuire and Mr. Norman Rokeberg. We are looking at an October Senate forum and possibly state rep forum also.

The executive board met and made the decision to table Mr. Pines resolution for 60 days. This resolution shared the concerns that the airport was not being a good neighbor.

There is now a representative who will be attending meetings. Her name is: Linda Bustamante 266-2107
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On July 19 the Federation of Community Councils held there meeting and at the end of the meeting honor was given to many people who have worked hard in the community. Thank you to Debbie Bauer, Ed Leach and Mayor Begich for presenting the certificates of honor. Many from Sand Lake were honored!

Once again we are having trouble on Sand Lake. There are reports that people are using large motors on their boats. The motors cannot be bigger than 50hp. The hours of operating a motorized boat are 11-8pm. Airplanes have the right of way! You cannot create wakes that destroy the lakes edge! Many new people move into the neighborhood and are unaware of these rules. We need help in getting the rules out to these neighbors. I am also trying to get the information to the homeowners associations. Knowing the rules is half the battle. Enforcing is the other half. If you are having problems with recklessness on your lake and cannot solve it on a one to one basis, the last resort is to call the police.

A reminder that there is a mobile food bank every Saturday at 10:00 AM at the Nazarene Church (88th and Jewel Lake)! Thank you to all serving the people in our community!

September Meeting- honoring those who have served us. please plan on attending! Also September's meeting will be a very big meeting!

Strawberry Road Update from CRW

A Holiday gas station is planned for the corner of Northwood and Raspberry. Again! We understand there is a desire on the managements part to come to the community to share, however we have been told that all the planning has been done and not certain of a public hearing. Please plan on attending!

Lt. Paul Honeman will be sharing with us on gangs and answer our questions!

As a community we thank the Anchorage Rowing Association for the brand new BEAUTIFUL dock at Sand Lake. These wonderful people raised \$9,000 and the Rasmussen Foundation gave them \$5,000! That is a tremendous asset to the lake and to all the users of this lake! THANKYOU!

NEIGHBORS.....there has been a lot of ugly activities in and around our hood. We need to help each other out and look out for each other! We need each other to keep our neighborhoods safe!

The Leadership Anchorage class is taking applications for year 10! For more information call:272-5324 barabara.brown@akhf.org or www.akkhff.org!!!!

House Candidate Questions?

The House District candidates for 27 and 28 were asked to answer the following questions so that the community can hear what they have to say and so we can learn more about them.

Three candidates responded. Thank you Mr. Chuck Achberger, Mr. Phelan Straube, and Ms. Val Baffone! Those who did not respond are Mr. Tom Moffat, Mr. Craig Johnson, and Mr. Bob Buch. We hope to see them all at this meeting!

All Candidates:

1. How long have you lived in our district?
2. If your residence is less than two years, why do you think you can represent this community?
3. Have you ever run for public office before?
Where, when and what office?
4. Are you or have you ever been associated with any political action group?
Which one and what are its objectives?
5. Why do you think you deserve our support in your election efforts?
6. What specifically do you think you can do if elected to office that will benefit this community?
7. What specific public issues have you been associated with in the past and what part do you see those issues playing during your term in office?

- 1) I have lived in District 28 for 16 years. 10 years in Bayshore, and in Southport for the last 6 years.
- 2) N/A
- 3) I have never run for public office before.
- 4) N/A
- 5) I have worked actively over the years with many groups to help improve education, health care and economic development to name just a few. Some of the specific organizations include the Alaska Nurses Association, Alaska Kids Count and the Anchorage Central Labor Council and the Bayshore/Klatt Community Council.
- 6) See #5
- 7) I have a very strong commitment to the residents of District 28, Anchorage and Alaska to work hard and advance the best interests of our state. I will work cooperatively with ALL legislators and the administration on a non-partisan basis. I believe we must work together to get the job done right. No one political party has all the answers and only through cooperation will be able to obtain the best results for Alaska.
I have years of real life business experience in negotiations, mediation and conflict resolution. I will bring these skill to Juneau and make it a priority to get the gas line built, create good jobs for Alaskans and provide a quality education for our children in a safe community.
- 8) I would like to hear from the community on what specifically they feel needs to be done beyond the priorities listed in the previous response.
- 9) In the last 28 years I have been involved with many public issues primarily related to educational improvements, vocational training opportunities, worked to defeat the construction of a large private prison in South Anchorage and health care improvements, including cost containment and improved accessibility. I see all of my experience contributing to my effectiveness in the legislature.

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Phelan Straube
Republican Candidate
State House, District 27

Sand Lake Community Council Questionnaire

1. How long have you lived in our district?

I have lived within the district lines for four years. I am an 18 year resident of West Anchorage.

2. If your residence is less than two years, why do you think you can represent this community?

Not Applicable

3. Have you ever run for public office before? Where, when and what office?

No

4. Are you or have you ever been associated with any political action group?

Which one and what are its objectives?

Yes.

Concord Coalition: A national organization with the mission to promote a balanced federal budget.

Chairman, District 27 Republicans

5. Why do you think you deserve our support in your election?

I have the energy, experience and integrity to represent our community effectively on day one in Juneau. I am not interested in the old political bickering of the past. We need representation that brings a new perspective and effective energy to improving the delivery of government services. My general philosophy is that government should focus on core government services and that Alaskans will build our future prosperity.

6. What specifically do you think you can do if elected to office that will benefit this community?

Most issues that directly affect our community are decided by local voters and local officials such as the Mayor and Assembly. However, I can work closely with the Community Council and neighbors to address local infrastructure needs through the state capital budget. I have years of experience working through the budget process, which will enable me to ensure that we get our fair share of the state's budget for road improvements and direct municipal appropriations.

I will also work to bring back Municipal Revenue Sharing and the Safe Cities Program to lower our property taxes and add more public safety officers in Anchorage. I believe the state should share a portion of our budget surplus directly with communities.

7. What specific public issues have you been associated with in the past and what part do you see those issues playing during your term in office?

I bring eight years of legislative experience working on issues ranging from oil and gas taxes to cutting through red tape for constituents. This experience will enable me to effectively and intelligently represent you on day one.

Thank you for the opportunity to address your questions. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please feel free to contact me at 677-0490.

Mr. Chuck Achberger:

1. How long have you lived in our district?

I have lived in the District for 10 years, in the same house we own.

2. If your residence is less than two years, why do you think you can represent this community?

NA

3. Have you ever run for public office before? Where, when and what office?

I ran for this House seat in 2002, not much has changed down there so I am trying again. I ran for an assembly seat in Juneau in the early 90's.

4. Are you or have you ever been associated with any political action group? Which one and what are its objectives?

Director - Juneau Chamber of Commerce - We worked for reduced government regulations and other small business issues as well as resource development

PR Committee for Alaska Forest Association - We tried to keep the timber industry alive and the mills open. Worked in Juneau and Washington DC

Director - Common Sense for Alaska - We worked for the creation of a Fiscal Plan for the state and fought an killed an attempt to create a state income tax.

Director - Concerned Alaska Citizens - Grassroots group that worked to create balanced fiscal policy and accountability in government

5. Why do you think you deserve our support in your election efforts?

I believe that if you looked at all the candidates like you were hiring a consultant to get a job done my experience in Alaska and Alaska politics would show that I can get to work from day one with peers who know me. I represent no special interest and if you look at my donor list it will show that.

6. What specifically do you think you can do if elected to office that will benefit this community?

My top priorities are the development of a gas pipeline, creation of a fiscal plan and providing certainty to the education system by forward funding their budget. While these are state wide issues they will have an impact on our community. I have served on the Anchorage Chamber of Commerce transportation committee and appreciate what the state and city does with roads. I will work with you to get the transportation improvements for our convenience and safety, but I will also work with you to see that our neighborhoods are not sacrificed to a ribbon of asphalt nobody wants.

7. What specific public issues have you been associated with in the past and what part do you see those issues playing during your term in office?

Fiscal Planning and resource development have been the primary issues that I have been involved with. I would like to try bringing about these needed changes from the inside. Businesses and individuals need certainty so we can plan our lives, and government needs to be accountable to a budget. Any extra funds need to be split between savings and sharing with the communities of Alaska - a portion of this sharing would offset property taxes.

Chuck Achberger For State House District 27 243-2029

Bring your hard questions that you have and meet the candidates!
This is a very important race.

REMEMBER TO CAST YOUR VOTE AUGUST 22 !!!

EVERY VOTE COUNTS!

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