

ABBOTT LOOP COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes for July 28, 2005

Meeting called to order at 7:05 by Lynda Zaugg, Sec.
Officers: Excused Al Tarnagni Sr., Charisse Millett, & Patti Higgins.
Minutes of May 26th meeting were reviewed and approved
Treasures Report: No report.

Reports:

Michael Henricks, Project Architect for Architects Alaska and Robert Balivet, Manager Design Planning Facilities for the Anchorage School District provided an overview of the construction work at Service High. Mr. Henricks indicated the project is in the middle of Phase 2 B which is scheduled for completion Aug. 06. Phase 2 B involves the east side of the school with the addition of 34 classrooms, 3 service rooms, administration area, Tec. lab, and an arts area. Phase 3 which is scheduled to begin Aug 06 will involve an aux. gym on the north end of the existing gym, additional classroom space for physical education activities, including a 12 person shooting range.

Krystal Nelson a consultant with Rise Alaska provided an update on the water intertie. North Star Paving and Construction have been awarded the paving and pipe install. Some traffic impact is expected with 3 different intersections closed. Every effort will be made to keep traffic impact to a min. by closing one intersection at a time and providing plenty of notice. Landscaping for the project will take place next spring.

By-Laws committee:

Lynda Zaugg reported that the By-Laws committee consisting of Al Tamagni , Charisse Millett, and Lynda Zaugg met to draft the changes required by new Municipality ordinance in June. The draft will be available at the August Community Co meeting for review. Once reviewed the changes can be voted on at the next meeting of the Community Co. in September.

There were no additional committee reports.

Legislative Report:

Rep. Kevin Meyer reported on the Legislative session. He noted that with \$60 a barrel oil his role as the Co-chair of House Fin. Committee was quite different then it might have been. He reported on the vast number of road projects approved for this district as a result of the surplus. He indicated that the list provided by the city as to needs throughout the community was very helpful. He appreciated the input and thanked folks for contacting him. Specific road projects in our area were discussed as well as the positive impact of improved transportation. A summary of this years legislative funding includes: Road projects \$38,000,000.00. Maintenance and safety enhancement projects \$1,160,000.00. Abbott Loop Community Parks \$500,000.00. Area schools \$80,000.00. Anchorage wide

projects that also benefit our area \$1,250,000. A complete list of projects and their funding was provided by Rep Meyer for inclusion in the min.

Municipal Report:

Dan Coffey indicated he was very busy with city activities but that things were going well. He reported that the Title 21 review/rewrite was now ready for community review. He noted it has been a major project. Member Larry Schullen stated that he'd obtained a copy of the rewrite for Chairmen Tamagni and would make disk copies available to anyone else that would like one. Mr. Coffey noted that the const. contracts are now all out with construction underway all over town. He was hopeful that U.S. Rep. Young would be able to come up with funding to assist the city with the Tutor and Lake Otis intersection.

APD Report:

Officer Cindi Stanton reported that complaints re const crews at 68th & Lake Otis parking on the bike path were being attended to and the problem should be resolved. A discussion re gangs, the recent reorganization of several of APD's units and staffing in general took place. Officer Stanton indicated that about 22 new officers remained in the current APD academy with will graduate in a month or so. Additionally, aprox. 9 experienced officers remain in the transfer (from other police departments) class. Candidates for the next APD academy will be tested in Oct.05. APD is busy and short staffed. Officer Stanton said the citizen ride along program is open to any citizen at least once. Requests for ride along should be directed to Annette Shell at APD. The next citizen academy will be in Oct. 05.

New Business:

Flora Ness spoke about the problems with the long school zone on Lake Otis. She had done research involving all of the school zones in the city. The Lake Otis zone is the longest and tends to catch drivers unaware when it ends then starts again so quickly. Discussion followed with both Don Coffey and Robert Balivet participating. Mr. Balivet, who is with the Anch School Dist, indicated he would talk with school officials about placing a sign at both ends to indicate the zone is long i.e. about 1.5 miles in length.

Old Business:

We continue to need members for the P & Z committee.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Lynda L. Zaugg, Sec.
Abbott Loop Community Co.