

Fairview Community Council General Membership Meeting February 13, 2003

Meeting commenced at 7:05 PM

Introductions: Board Members, Council Members & Guests briefly introduced themselves.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the January 9, 2003 meeting were read and approved by unanimous consent.

Treasurer's Report: Celeste Benson reported that as of 02/13/03 there is \$3,425.24 in the council's account and \$1,758.37 in the community patrol account. Celeste reported that she made a \$204.67 payment to ACS, bringing the Community Patrol Hotline account current.

Council Chair Dan Loring noted that some of the Council's invited guests needed to leave early and had requested to speak at the front of the evening's agenda. Jerry Haggerty introduced a motion to move Merrill Field and Lashanda McGowen to the front of the agenda. Claris Syren seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous consent.

Merrill Field: Ron Lundeby addressed the Council regarding Merrill Field's request to rezone two lots located at 15th & Orca Streets. Merrill Field wants to rezone the two lots into one larger lot. The lots in question measure 100' north to south and 50' east to west. The lots were zoned I1 a year ago. Planning and Zoning's hearing on the request is March 5th. Ron also reported that P & Z is seeking to rezone a parcel of Merrill Field property to POI from R3/R4. A portion of the parcel is already zoned POI, and P & Z views rezoning the remainder of the parcel as a house cleaning issue. The FVCC will receive notice from P & Z prior to any public hearings on the issue. Ron reported Merrill Field has several projects planned for this summer, and will come before the Council as soon as plans are firmed up. Merrill Field has hired a consultant whose first task is to look at different scenarios for landscaping Merrill's property at 15th & Orca.

Lashanda McGowen with Rags To Riches Supervised Transitional Living Program gave the Council an overview of the program. Rags To Riches is a program offered by The Psalmist Ministries, Inc. The purpose of the program is to provide a consistent, structured, caring and therapeutic environment to adolescent females while presenting a foundation of Biblical principles to assist them in becoming productive and self-sufficient citizens. The programs goals are, 1) To provide tangible and intangible life skills to clients. 2) Build the self-image of clients. 3) To integrate the self-assured, self-sufficient clients back into the community. RTR currently operates a facility off Fireweed Lane.

Community & Committee Reports:

Fairview Rec Center Ad Hoc Committee: Committee Chair Jerry Haggerty reported that his committee has been commissioned to assess and evaluate the Fairview Recreation Center, an important community asset. How much income does the center generate, and how can we increase the revenues; these are among the questions the committee will try to answer. Jerry reported that he has an appointment next week with a representative of the MOA, who will brief him on the Rec Center budget, monetary allocations, fund disbursements and sources of income.

New Business:

Oaken Keg: Carrs Gambell Store Manger Denise Janson gave a brief report to the Council concerning the recent remodel of Carrs Gambell and Oaken Keg's strict adherence to the voluntary operating conditions on their package liquor license. Denise reported that things have been very quiet of late.

Spirits of Alaska # 1: Owner Bridget Thompson reported that Spirits is abiding by the voluntary operating conditions on their package liquor license. Bridgett reported that she will be doing landscaping this summer. Bridget asked that the Council endorse Spirits upcoming liquor license renewal. Celeste Benson introduced a motion of support for the license renewal, which was seconded by Darrel Hess and **passed by unanimous consent.**

Habitat For Humanity: Jim Fredrick asked the Council to endorse HFH's request for a zoning variance that would rezone one lot into two. Darrel Hess introduced a motion that the Council endorse HFH's request for a variance on the condition that HFH come before the Council at a future meeting to address the community's concerns with HFH's clientele. Celeste Benson seconded the motion.

Votes for: 7
Votes against: 8
Abstentions: 3

The motion was defeated.

Dory Carlson introduced a motion to have the Council reimburse the Community Patrol Coalition \$50 for Fairview Community Patrol's Fur Rondy Parade entry fee. Allen Kemplen seconded the motion.

Votes for: 17
Votes against: 1
Abstentions: 1

The motions passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM

Minutes submitted by Darrel Hess, Council Secretary
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