

Rabbit Creek Community Council Meeting Minutes for Thursday, September 12, 2019

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Location: Goldenview Middle School Library

Board Roll Call - Present: Ky Holland (Co-Chair), Paul Gionet (Treasurer), David Sterling (Secretary), Peter Crimp, Keith Guyer, Bert Lewis, Frank Pugh

Absent: Ann Rappoport, Matt Cavanaugh, Jess Grunblatt, Judy Michael

Board Member Co-Chair – Ky Holland - Opened the meeting at 7:07 pm. 7 board and over 15 members. Declared a General Membership Meeting. Introductions by most everyone in the room and some advised where they live.

- **Agenda** – Approve Agenda. No problems. Approved as written.
 - **Minutes** – August Minutes – **Motion Joan Diamond & 2nd Peter Crimp** – To adopt the minutes as posted. No objection, so approved.
- Attendance - Total ±32 people in attendance. General Membership Meeting.

Announcements & Legislative Reports:

- **Assembly Members -**
 - Suzanne LaFrance – Assembly member for RCCC area - Contact info: Cell Phone: (907) 351-7199, Voicemail: (907) 343-4122, E-mail: LaFranceS@muni.org – Joshua Spring is her new aid and here tonight. Here for feedback on storm water utility program.
 - John Weddleton – e-mail: WeddletonJ@muni.org – Started at Turnagain CC, arrived later to discuss storm drain issues.
 - **State Representatives** - Cathy Giessel not present tonight. Jenifer Johnston not present tonight, but representative attended and offered.
 - HALO Meeting – None.
 - Treasurers Report – Savings at \$316.05 + Checking at \$1,077.44 = \$1,393.49.

Announcements

- **James ?? National Park Service Facility National Public Lands** – Potter Marsh to Clean up Trash and Remove purple vetch. September xx, 2019 at 10 am until completed. Meet at Potter Marsh Boardwalk Parking Lot and they will assign tasks. Bring gloves. 25 T-shirts available for first comers.
- **Storm Water Utilities and Hazard Mitigation Issues – Ky Holland** – Described the situation. John Weddleton proposes a small start to understand the situation. MOA Assembly vote on issue postponed. LRSA can do things. John and Suzanne want to start with a rate study that better defines the big picture and intended scope.
 - Joshua Spring - downloaded 267-page utility. Definitions of storm water and wastewater is an issue. How will new Utility be paid for? Relevant revenue ideas include property tax, sales tax, alcohol tax. What are the problems that are trying to be solved? Working on exemptions on sewage being dumped into the inlet because of exemptions. Don't want to lose those exemptions. Storm water drainage is basically other than sewage water. On hillside storm water typically percolates into the ground. Looking for feedback on the issue. \$100,000 rate study contract has been assigned to AWR Engineering LLC.
 - Dianne Holmes – HDP makes storm water a huge issue. Spring runoff is a huge issue. Prominence Point has had numerous blowouts from uncontrolled runoff. Bronze moose house on Goldenview Drive was illegally cleared, gravel mined down to expose ground water streams, then built on only half the lot because of the COE restrictions. LRSA do a poor job on proper storm water treatment and are just there for road maintenance.
 - Frank Pugh – MOA voted for the Utility and appropriated \$1.5 mil start. HALO to have special meeting on 9/21/19 to discuss. Urges members to support Weddleton amendments. MOA Assembly vote delayed to 9/24/19.
 - Storm water is water that comes off man made items, e.g. asphalt and concrete and houses.
 - Group discussed the many issues and provided comments from the body.
 - Ky Holland Key things 1) Do rate study first. 2) How existing dollars will be spent and by who. 3) Additional clarification to define what is storm water on the hillside.
 - Motion Paul Gionet and 2nd XXX - That Land Use Committee writes a letter with these three ideas. Paul removed this motion.
 - **Motion Peter Crimp & 2nd Paul Gionet** - Letter developed after discussion by a group in the back room read by Peter Crimp related to RCCC supports ordinance amendments for AO 2019-106 and AO 2019-113. AO 2019-318 to limit the next study. Vote Hand Count Results = Yes 18, No 0. Abstain 0, Motion passes.
 - John Weddleton – Lots of infrastructure in place that needs replacement after 30 to 40 year life time. Utility fee based to get more people/entities to pay into the issue. Went thru Proposed Stormwater Utility for Anchorage handout. Several separate districts.
- **Land Use & Transportation Committee Report (LUT) – Peter Crimp** - Met 3 times in last month. 1st HLB and Section 36. Sit down 8/15/19 with Shelly Rowton COE requires HLB umbrellaed mitigation plan. Supposed to take 6 months. LUT will take their time to develop recommendations to HLB. 2nd Microbrew ordinance, not really relevant to RCCC. 3rd People speeding down roads making noise. Ky is hearing more about noise issues. Suggests we contact community police officer with concerns.
- **Resilience Committee** – Wildfire monitor cameras have been connected. Need more cameras in RCCC area. \$50 mil available for hazard mitigation projects and available for this wildfire issue. Committee will help to develop process for wildfire drill over this winter. Lots of learned issues from MLK fire. Need to have a Ready- Set-Go program established for the hillside, that MOA Fire will use.

Old Business

- **Rabbit Creek and Old Seward BLM Gateway Parcel** – Hand over process is happening. Government Hill has a good Gateway Parcel. If they can do it, we can. Dianne Holmes has spearheaded this issue for years. Three-cheers!
- **Moen Park Challenge Grant** – Still underway. Handout available with details.

New Business

- **Annual Elections and Bylaw Review** - Bylaws and Board Elections in November. Volunteers to perform elections are Frank Pugh and Ryan ?. Bylaws volunteers Mr. Frank Pugh.
- **Outreach** – Ky posting on Facebook and web page.
- **Tool Box** – Need volunteers for shed and tool repair at Fire Station 10. See Dianne Holmes if you can help.

Next Meetings – Will be at Goldenview Middle School Library in October.

Meeting adjournment – **Motion Paul Gionet 2nd Joan Diamond** – Motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.