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# The Taku-Campbell Community Council Newsletter

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The TCCC general membership meeting will be held on Thursday, February 12 at 7:00 pm in the Taku Elementary School Library located at 701 E. 72<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99518.

## **AGENDA - THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12<sup>th</sup>, 2003**

Agenda subject to change to allow addition of other important last minute issues.

### **7:00 - Teleconference with Legislative representatives in Juneau.**

Come early and talk with them.

### **7:30 - Call To Order**

**Welcome and Introduction - TCCC President**

**Secretaries Report**

**Treasurer's Report**

**Legislative & Assembly Updates**

**Reports from Public Safety Officers**

### **8:00 - Program**

**Report of Steering Committee's actions - TCCC President (Membership vote if quorum present)**

Bylaws Change - Article VII, Section 3 changed to read "A Nominating Committee consisting of 3-5 members representing a broad spectrum of the community as possible shall be appointed by the Steering Committee."

**Nancy Fair** - will update TCCC on HB 367 introduced this session. She will speak about her efforts to inhibit nude entertainment clubs for 18 -19 year old persons, applicable municipal ordinances and state laws, and attempts to raise the permissive age to 21 and what we can do to help.

**Cheryl Richards** - Chair of the Anchorage Citizens Coalition, will update TCCC on Anchorage-wide comprehensive transportation plan and future travel in the Anchorage Bowl.

**Election** of TCCC officers will take place in March, installations in April. Please submit nominations to nominating committee chair, Carol Holden

<b>Current Officers of the TCCC Board</b>	<b>Term expires</b>
Don Peacock, President	2004
Ron Jordan, Vice President	2004
Ron Peacock, Secretary	2004
Carol Holden, Treasurer	2004

**Capital Improvements** - TCCC will propose our districts' Capital Improvement (CI) projects during our March meeting. There will be further discussion on CI's at our April meeting and we will submit our recommendations to the municipality after our April meeting. Please consider worthy projects for our council area. You may communicate your ideas at the meetings or you may contact any of the below listed officers by phone or e-mail to put forth your ideas.

**Next meeting March 11, 2004, 7:00 PM**, will start with a teleconference with Juneau representatives.

## **Community Councils Center      FUNDING CRISIS!!!      YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!!!!**

The Community Councils are mandated in the Municipal Charter as a way for ordinary citizens like you and me to participate in our local government - to be able to help define how Anchorage works and how it looks. The Community Councils Center was set up to help us do that and has been funded by the Assembly for about 27 years.

The funding reached the level of \$120,000 by 1995 to pay for the office, equipment, supplies, postage, two full-time employees and one part-time employee. The employees maintained the equipment, produced a newsletter called "Neighbor To Neighbor", maintained Council files, Council mailing lists, answered lots of questions, maintained a library for Councils to do research on most any subject pertaining to Municipal government, produced informational pamphlets, Officer packets, and assisted Council members as needed.

For the past several years, the Community Councils Center has been funded at \$108,000. The Assembly has decided to



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fund the Community Councils Center at the level of \$26,000 for 2004. This amount will barely pay for the paper and postage for the 37 Community Council newsletters. It will not pay for the current part-time employee who produces all the newsletters and takes them to the Post Office. Nor will it pay for the office space or equipment to produce them.

The current equipment is past its last legs - the repairman cannot believe it is still gasping along. It needs to be replaced.

Without the Community Councils Center, we cannot inform you of what is happening in our neighborhood that affects you and your property.

An unfunded mandate allows the Municipal government to ignore Community Councils and you. Don't let this happen!

As your editor who works hard to write this newsletter every month, I beg you to come to our February 9th meeting and ask Assemblyman Allan Tesche what he intends to do about funding this vital office. Funding is the difference between your getting this newsletter and not getting it.

Also, please contact all the Assembly members, the Mayor and the Ombudsman and ask them to restore the needed funding.

Thanks Niki Burrows  
Mountain View Community Council

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**Homeless Shelter in South Anchorage!?:**

There seems to be a very quiet movement to establish a homeless persons camp or shelter in South Anchorage and maybe in our council area. Please come to our meeting and discuss your comments.

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