## Minutes South Fork Community Council November 5, 2020

- 1. Call to Order at 7:05pm by **Joe Wright**, on Zoom. A total of 7 voting Community Council members were present with 4 guests (see Guest Speakers, below).
- 2. Brief introductions were skipped as no quorum was present.
- 3. Agenda approval -N/A, no quorum
- 4. October minutes -N/A, no quorum
- 5. Guest Speakers:
  - a. State Legislature, Rep. Kelly Merrick not in attendance
  - b. State Legislature, Senate: Kelli Toth representative of Senator Reinbold asks for any input that citizens have to please be in touch. Reviewing the State mandates as they pertain to the Constitution. Budget talks are ongoing. Will be hosting town hall events this year. Also looking for some statistics about increased suicides, attempted suicides, and mental health concerns among students.
  - c. **Jamie Allard, Assembly** provided updates. Crystal Kennedy proposed property tax relief, it tied 5-5 and so it failed. Special election was also denied. Alcohol tax was discussed; lots of nonprofits want the money from that. Jamie Allard will propose that the alcohol tax money be used to purchase cameras for police officers instead of adding it as an additional tax. The Assembly is going over the FY21 budget. Assembly is getting a lot of communication from concerned teachers and parents about opening schools. Unfortunately, the mental health of our students is being impacted by the social isolation; Providence is overwhelmed; 87% of parents DO want to go back to schools according to surveys. AO 2020-85 passed with some amendments; basement must be sheet rocked for fireproofing purposes now. Jamie says she would love input from all of the community, no matter the political party.
  - d. **School Board: Deena Mitchel** not in attendance. School Board is having a special meeting on Monday, November
  - e. **Cliff Cook, Community Patrol** reports 36 hours, 248 miles on patrol in October. Things have been pretty slow. Slight uptick of abandoned vehicles. Check garage doors and locks before going to bed. 15 community patrols in Anchorage; this coalition just became a nonprofit and Cliff Cook is the Vice President. Annual Thanksgiving Blessing is happening this year; if you want to volunteer or if you need food, it will be on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of November. Looking for volunteers Nov 22 and 23<sup>rd</sup>. They are doing a drive through this year.
- 6. Old Business –

a. **AO 2020-85 Title 23 Change:** They passed with some amendments, removing the sprinkler requirements. The Municipality is attempting to expand their BSSA to Birchwood and down to Girdwood, eventually.

## 7. Committee Reports

- a. Road Board: **Joe Wright** reports that last month their meeting did not have a quorum. Involvement of the community is important. Having an alternate would be good also. Mill rate is 1.9. Need more volunteers. Federal money came in for Hiland for resurfacing; that money may be moved to different repair areas as that resurfacing happened recently.
- b. Parks and Recreation: **Joshua Ream** still needs an alternate. McDonald Center has hired a new manager and he will be starting soon. He will be asked to attend the Parks and Rec meetings. FLAMI is interested in a sole source contract; they may or may not recommend that. Board is still waiting on specifics about the trust money FLAMI received and that is was used appropriately. FEMA has accepted paperwork for town square paver replacements and Beach Lake dock that were damaged in the earthquake. Eklutna Inc. easement request from a property near Mirror Lake. Looking at public access to Chugach State Park.
- c. Treasurer. **Randy Beilfuss** not in attendance, shared via phone call that SoFCC has \$201.97 in our account.
- 8. New Business: Elections postponed to the next meeting for the SoFCC because we don't have a quorum.
- 9. Good of the Order:
  - a. **Joe Wright** encourages fellow residents to become involved in our community. Lots of opportunities for people to get involved with different Boards. Remember we're all Americans, no matter our politics.
- 10. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43pm; next meeting is December 3, 2020 and will likely be on Zoom plan on that unless we hear otherwise.

Janelle Wight, Secretary