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Board meeting was convened by President Scott Sell

Board Members present: Gaines, Weinig, Sell, Geuss, Seppi, Pease, Mendenhall

Vice President Weinig discussed the Transportation Improvement Plan; how project ranking is affected by costing and timing. Copies are available at the library and the Community Planning and Development office.

President Sell reported receiving a message from Doug Perkins, Bayshore-Klatt Community Council, reporting a concern that the draft TIP allocates approximately \$22M to the coastal trail. Vice President Weinig advised that the assertion is incorrect.

MOTION: Gaines/2nd Weinig: Approve August Minutes. All aye.

MOTION: Weinig/2nd Pease: Approve September Minutes. All aye.

MOTION: Gaines/2nd Pease: Approve October Minutes. All aye.

Joel Gaines requested followup on State DOT response to Council concerns on the Rabbit Creek Road. Gaines recommended requesting State DOT reply by 11/19 or referral of the matter to U.S. DOT as possible mismanagement of federal funds.

Nancy Pease reported on the HLB-ASD agreement on land exchange involving the proposed South Goldenview elementary school site. The Potter Valley land-use study will be presented to the Assembly next Tuesday.

Assemblyman Tremaine reported the capital budget was passed and the purchase of 5 ambulances was approved. Assembly support exists for restoring bus service to Hillside.

President Sell reported on Shangri-La Subdivision hearing before the Platting Board. Most attendees did not favor development. The Anchorage Fire Department desired 2 exits. In a reversal of past practice MOA staff approved a single-exit plan. The attendees believe that the Board is unresponsive to Community needs.

Joel Gaines noted similarity between Municipality indifference to Community needs concerning Shangri-La subdivision and School District indifference to Community needs concerning school-site selections.

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Art Geuss reported a long-standing concern over Municipality indifference to the safety hazard posed by the sharp curve in DeArmoun Road. Nancy Pease added that the Elmore High School location may increase the safety hazard due to proliferation of teen-age drivers.

Firefighter/EMS employees reported that staffing shortages and obsolescent equipment significantly limited their ability to provide expedited response. Joel Gaines noted that the AFD Chief visits the Community Council annually in April to solicit endorsement for AFD bonds and mentions nothing about the operational crisis reported by these employees. Assemblywoman Abney advised that millions of dollars worth of AFD, APD, and road bonds remain unsold.

Joel Gaines offered to assist the AFD employees in elevating their concerns.

Board Members unanimously approved a motion requesting the City's immediate attention to the matter and supporting the Assembly Safety Committee agenda.

Presentation: Phil Steyer, Chugach Electric, presented a development proposal for wind-generated energy. Discussion included proposed locations for wind-driven generators, compatibility with tower-height ordinance and generator capacities. Data gathering is in progress at this time. Construction is anticipated in 2001.

Meeting adjourned.