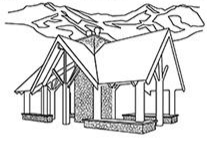


# Abbott Loop



## Community Council

### Minutes

#### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, January 27th, 2022, 6:30-8:30 PM

LOCATION: Zoom

#### Call to order 6:30 pm

- Round of Introductions
- Changes or additions to agenda
- Approval of minutes: Kathleen Easley- minutes approved
- Approval of treasurer's report: Heather Schrage- \$394.12, picnic donations needed.

#### APD Officer if available

- Report and Q & A Officer B Davis attending, not our assigned APD officer. Nothing to report.

#### Legislative Reports: Q & A <http://akleg.gov/>

- **Senator: Josh Revak:** Tyler Newcombe (staff) in attendance as well. Newsletter not sent out, working on it and will send out next week. Legislative session started. Senator Revak is Chair of the Resources Committee, Vice-Chair of Labor & Commerce. Infrastructure bill-working offline with priorities, advocating for our priorities. Unanimous activity started off by voting down legislator bill that would decrease pay to legislators. Capital is open, they have COVID testing available and a masking policy in the building.
- **Representative: Calvin Schrage:** Represents district 25, Abbott Loop area. Newsletter and report attached to January agenda. Erik Gunderson (staffer) in attendance as well. Reports quick and busy start- Budget is flat and uses one time savings (such as savings on insurance) and one time federal dollars (Infrastructure and COVID relief) that we might not have later. Assumes 1.5% inflation. Unanimous vote in the Senate and then today in the House rejecting pay decrease to legislators. Pay in salary is the same but it was a reduction in per diem for legislators, voted no. Cost of living is high in Juneau and many have two households to support when they go to Juneau. Bills in committee: Voting process/Ballot curing, Funding Early Education, and Political Contribution limits. Working with the Anchorage Muni on energy improvement. Has a Facebook live 1/29 @ 2pm. He sends a monthly newsletter/update, sign up information in his newsletter (Jan Agenda). Questions for Rep- 1) AK Redistricting- He notes proposed maps done really change district 25 much, under litigation now, they are doing all of this on YouTube for the public to monitor. 2) Any info on why the Director of the PFD was fired? This is concerning that the board fired Angela Rodell, near unanimous interest by legislators to find out what is going on, believing a third party investigation was approved today. 3) Oil revenue-PFD funding the state is concerning (should be paid out to the residents) and not fund the government. Rep Schrage explained the PFD fund is not just oil reserve money. Originally designed to use the benefits of oil revenue, then invested these earnings and used these investment earnings to fund the state work. Offer to speak offline about it anytime.
- **Representative Laddie Shaw** - not in attendance

#### Assembly & School Board: Q & A [www.muni.org/departments/assembly](http://www.muni.org/departments/assembly)

- Assembly member Felix Rivera- Not in attendance
- Assembly member Meg Zaletel-
  - All other Assembly members are at the Reapportionment public meeting tonight. Another meeting available for comment 2/3/22 5-7pm in Eagle River Town Hall. Tentative timeline 2/15/22 proposal, 2/24 public hearings, then Assembly voting on this in March. Will not be done in time for April Elections. May have someone bring up a special election for an additional seat on the Assembly (Vice Chair Constant). Encourage people to look at the maps.
  - AMAT/TIF Project submissions

- Green cards/Property tax. Reminder that this is the assessment of property, not the taxes. Assembly will set the mill rate. There is a robust debate about the 2022 budget.
- Legislation requests- the Port of Anchorage is the big ask for \$600 million. \$15 million for Homelessness divided into three buckets of 5 million each. Work on a defined contribution plan for city workers. Urban Safety Corridors- on high incident roads that have high collision rates. Looking at ways to address safety on major thoroughfares such as Tudor Muldoon curve.
- Working on props for development of municipality owned properties. Facilities Update- Sockeye Inn-Complex care, Barrett Inn- Supportive housing. Request for proposals for the Mass care-we are waiting. These are to be capped at 200 persons with a 130+ capacity surge. Anchorage has \$7 million available, but no units available now. Hotel/Inns give 90 people immediate housing. This runs at less cost than a housing project.
- Assembly member Suzanne LaFrance- Not in attendance
- Assembly member John Weddleton - Not in attendance
- School Board member: Andy Holleman reporting with Carl Jacobs also in attendance.
  - Review ASD website- look at “Hot Topics” area on site for information on current issues. Bond proposals (now alternate years) This years package going to voters will be \$111 million- \$30 million rebuilding Inlet View, 50’s school renovation not feasible, needs to be rebuilt. \$32 million for 90 large commercial grade roof repairs to various sites- this is renovation and major rehabs. \$16 million is Security vestibules/measures upgrade to 60 schools.
  - Question about Abbott Loop School rebuild- believes this could be on the next bond in a few years. This school and Inlet View are the ones that were in most need.
- JBER Community Engagement Rep Luke Waack- Not in attendance

## Candidate Introductions

- Jennifer Sonner- Running for State House District 11- Hillside/Independence Park area.  
<https://www.jennifersonneforalaska.com/>
- Meg Zaletel- Running for Anchorage Assembly District 4- Midtown. Incumbent.  
<https://www.megforanchorage.com/>
- Randy Sulte- Running for Anchorage Assembly District 6- South.  
<https://www.sulteforanchorage.com/>

## Reports

### FCC Representative Bruce Roberts

- FCC met last week. Tom Davis Title 21 Parking/Site access.
- Transportation?AMATS coordinator presentation. Major projects: Underpass Dimond/O’malley that connects to Abbott. Academy/Vanguard Project. Innovation area. Business development Fairview area.

### Roads & Projects Committee: Emily Sullivan

#### o CIP update

- Transition planning and addressing and prioritizing CIP list for Spring. Anyone that wants to be involved can join in.
- 2022 CAPSIS Projects Rep. Schrage, open through the end of January. Federal money can get routed to local level.
- Pokey Circle (off 84th Avenue) significant drainage problem on Pokey Circle. Residents gave a presentation- Kelley and Jayson Russell. Jim Wright attorney presented a resolution for the ALCC to consider supporting this. Resolution read by Heather S. Susan S. moved to accept resolution, seconded by Heather S. No objections- the resolution passed, ALCC will put the Pokey Circle issue on the CIP list of road concerns to advocate for being addressed.

### Parks & Rec Committee: Mark Miner not in attendance

- Susan Soule reporting- Patti Higgins is working on a grant. Want to poll membership to see the priorities of

the community. More information coming.

**Planning & Zoning Committee** ([munimaps.muni.org/planning/allcomments.cfm](https://munimaps.muni.org/planning/allcomments.cfm)): **\*\*Needs Chair\*\***

- Public Hearing for Review and Recommendation by 4 Boards & Commissions as follows: Platting Board 03/02/2022; Planning and Zoning Commission 03/07/2022; Urban and Design Commission 03/09/2022 & Zoning Board of Examiners and Appeals 03/10/2022. Remit questions by mail or email to Corliss Kimmel & Lori Blake ([corliss.kimmel@anchorageak.gov](mailto:corliss.kimmel@anchorageak.gov) & [lori.blake@anchorageak.gov](mailto:lori.blake@anchorageak.gov) <https://www.muni.org/CityViewPortal/Planning/Status?planningId=17507>

**Cannabis & Alcohol Committee:** **\*\*Needs Chair\*\*** No opposition noted by any members about the various renewals.

- Anchorage Golf Course Liquor Licenses renewal, Licence # 4815. Hearing was at the regular Assembly Meeting on January 25, 2022 at the Loussac Library.
- Tundra Jane- 2429 E. 88th Ave Suite 300, licence # 12808 Marijuana licence renewal
- Great Northern Cultivation, Inc.- 2341 Cinnabar Loop. licence #10747 Marijuana licence renewal
- Marijuana Licence renewal RETAIL ESTABLISHMENT: HILLSIDE NATURAL WELLNESS, #10837, 8639 Toloff St
- Marijuana Licence renewal MANUFACTURING FACILITY: GLACIER EXTRACTS, #10828, 8639 Toloff Street

**Membership & Events:** Lizzie Newell

- Vote to approve funding for the Abbott Loop Community Council summer picnic at Abbott Loop Community Park in June. Cost \$152 to rent the pavilion for the June 2022 Community picnic. No objections, approved to spend the \$152. Date will be June 30th at the Abbott Loop Community Park at 8101 Elmore Rd, generally it is 4-6pm.
- July will be the picnic at Whisper Faith park.

**Abbott Loop Community Patrol:** Dan Rudder, Lead; <http://www.accpatrols.org/>

- Each patrol car is working with APD - ALCC area is Lt. Carson. Working on a productive relationship with ADP.
- Fan Out Friday- multiple drivers in the ALCC area will be out. 2 staff supported Polar Plunge.
- They each have magnet signs on their own personal vehicles, lights, and bright yellow jackets to identify they are ALCC patrol.

**Old Business**

- Statewide Redistricting Maps: Effect on Abbott Loop Community council <https://www.akredistrict.org/>
- Community Discussion Draft of Title 21 Parking and Site Access Amendments on October 29, 2021

**New Business**

- Wildfire presentation from Jennifer Schmidt UAA- Social and Economic research projects. Wildfire hazard assessment and calculated exposure over the past 4 decades. Large area in ALCC is near the ALC park- lots of dead Spruce that are of concern and can be a fire hazard to homes in the community.

**Announcements/Comments**

**Next Meetings:**

February, 24th, 2022 Abbott Loop Community Council Monthly Meeting  
March, 31st, 2022 Abbott Loop Community Council Monthly Meeting  
April, 28th, 2022 Abbott Loop Community Council Monthly Meeting  
May, 26th, 2022 Abbott Loop Community Council Monthly Meeting  
June/July will be ALCC picnics- more information coming

**Comments:**

- Building on Hartzell by the Silver Ridge apartments- asking what is being built there. One person thought it might be Great Harvest building cold storage.
- The Division of Elections is looking for workers- go to the muni website to apply.

**Adjourn 8:30 pm**

## Resources

- Abbott Loop Community Council: <http://communitycouncils.org/servlet/content/2.html>
- Abbott Loop Community Forum: <https://www.facebook.com/abbottloopcc/?fref=ts>
- Whisper Faith Kovach Playground & Fenced Dog Park: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/720624007969641/>
- Abbott Loop South Next Door: [https://abbottloopsouth.nextdoor.com/news\\_feed/](https://abbottloopsouth.nextdoor.com/news_feed/)
- Abbott Loop North Next Door: <https://nextdoor.com/neighborhood/abbottloopnorthak--anchorage--ak/>
- Information about the Academy Dr.-Vanguard Dr. Project <http://www.academyandvanguard.com/>
- Anchorage Bowl Land Use Plan:  
<http://www.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/Projects/AnchLandUse/Pages/default.aspx>
- State of Alaska DOT Seward Highway project can be found here: <http://www.sewardhighway.info/>
- APD safety message emails or text alerts: <https://local.nixle.com/register/> or send a text to 888777
- Alaska Redistricting- <https://www.akredistrict.org/>
- Assembly 101 playlist for those wanting to learn all about Assembly procedures, how to participate, etc.  
<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLylc7U989Xcav5eQC9FmjAEofZD576ech>

The Abbott Loop Community Council generally meets the last Thursday of the month from 6:30pm to 8:30pm at Abbott Loop Elementary except in May (date change due to school closure), June (Summer Picnic), July (Potluck Picnic), November and December (combined meeting). If you have agenda items, please send your requests to both: Bruce Roberts [brucearoberts@hotmail.com](mailto:brucearoberts@hotmail.com) 907-952-9969 & Kathleen Easley [katmandu26@hotmail.com](mailto:katmandu26@hotmail.com) 907-748-6076.

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I live and work on Dena'ina land. (English) ~ Translation by Joel Isaak and Sondra Shaginoff-Stuart

### ABBOTT LOOP COMMUNITY COUNCIL

OFFICERS		DIRECTORS		
<b>PRESIDENT</b>	Bruce Roberts	Pat O'Hara	Lizzie Newell	Dan Rudder
<b>VICE-PRESIDENT</b>	Susan Soule	Mark Miner	Yolanda Meza	Emily Sullivan
<b>SECRETARY</b>	Kathleen Easley	Kari Nore	Patti Higgins	Marilyn Russel
<b>TREASURER</b>	Heather Schrage			

### STANDING COMMITTEES SPECIAL COMMITTEES

<b>PARKS &amp; REC</b>	<b>Roads &amp; Projects</b>	<b>P &amp; Z</b>	<b>Cannabis &amp; Alcohol</b>	<b>Membership &amp; Events</b>	<b>Community Patrol</b>	<b>By-Laws Committee</b>
Mark Miner Chair	Emily Sullivan Chair	Needs Chair	Needs Chair	Lizzie Newell Chair	Dan Rudder Lead	Kari Nore Chair
Sheila Cernich	Dan Boland	Akis Gialopsis		Kari Nore	Patti Higgins	Susan Soule
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Susan Soule	Bruce Roberts			Patti Higgins	Thomas Greenman	
					Phil Parks	

