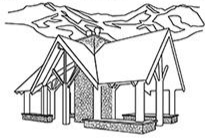


Abbott Loop



Community Council

Minutes

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

May 26th, 2022, 6:30-8:30 PM

Call to order 6:32 pm

- Round of Introductions
- Changes or additions to agenda-Adding in Seward to Glenn Hwy announcement, no other changes to agenda, approved.
- Approval of April minutes: Kathleen Easley- two changes Jason Grenn and treasurer report amount is \$332.71, approved with those changes.
- Approval of treasurer's report: Heather Schrage-\$332.71, asking for donations for the picnic in July to cover food costs.

APD Report

- Report and Q & A- APD Officer, not requested to speak, no one in attendance.

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

- Senator: Josh Revak: not in attendance.
- Representative: Calvin Schrage: Newsletter and report for month on May agenda.
 - Finished my 2nd session, just passed the budget in time. Strong PFD of \$3250. Bridget forward funds education, higher education fund, AK Performance fund, Re-sweep funds back into AK students for college. Infrastructure. School bond debt reimbursement which will be a significant relief to property tax rates for Anchorage homeowners. Wish we had saved more, there is a concern if oil prices go down this can affect our ability to pay for state services.
 - HB234 Political Contribution Limits- this will be taken on in the next legislature. Will put on a ballot initiative if the legislature doesn't do this.
 - Four bills passed through the house and senate on to the governor.
- Representative Laddie Shaw-not in attendance.

Assembly & School Board: Q & A www.muni.org/departments/assembly

- Assembly member Felix Rivera- not in attendance.
- Assembly member Meg Zaletel- not in attendance.
- Assembly member Suzanne LaFrance-Kurt Parkan reporting.
 - June 21st Special election for downtown district 1, boundary changes and reapportionment- larger and needed a 2nd member for assembly/representation.
 - Homelessness- Suzanne voted to fund 9 million towards the Navigation center facilitated process to address homelessness. She has concerns about construction plans/costs.
 - Next meeting June 7th to address AO 2022-60 amending Anchorage municipal code, and establishing procedures to remove an elected official.
 - June 15th is the deadline for the CIP process community contributions.
- Assembly member Randy Shulte-
 - Public testimony cut short on AO, Special session June 1st.
 - Met with APD chief, tourism- getting ready for the season. Crime prevention/environmental design. Joining community patrols.
 - Fire on Hillside 5/22/22-Helicopter drop called off because of a drone in the area.
 - Burn ban passed- no open fires. Emergency order is a misdemeanor with fine and jail time. This is temporary for 60 days and will re-evaluate in June.
 - Funds- work session prioritizing submissions. Economic and workforce development.
 - Special election June 21st for District 1 assembly seat.

- Joint ASD/Assembly meeting in June.
- School Board members Andy Holleman/Carl Jacobs-
 - Welcome new Superintendent Dr. Jarrett Bryant July 1st. He will be working with Dr. Bishop to transition.
 - Attended several graduation ceremonies/events.
 - Free and reduced lunch program
 - It is open enrollment for existing students returning.
 - June 6th at 6pm is the next AsD School board meeting. Joint meeting with Assembly in June.
 - Revision of by-laws. Board reorg- Must attend ½ of your assigned community council meetings for accountability and transparency.
 - New member Lessons or Donnley will be present at council meetings, they rotate every year.
- Mayor's Office Report- Portcia Erikson, Director of Community Engagement
 - Community Arts Grants accepting applications, open now, encouraging people to apply.
 - Calls about resources Pothole Hotline: 343-MEND, street sweeping- call dispatch if you see something that needs attention 343-8277. There is a website to help know what areas have been done.
 - Fire ban, no open fires
 - Annual Memorial Day 5/30 9:30am Delaney Park Strip. This Saturday- Polenesian Asian Pacific Islander month celebration at Delaney Park Strip 12-4pm.
 - Questions: Golden Lion Status- policy still working through this. Shaxton Shier head of Muni Maintenance is project manager of the Navigation center build. Decisions are being made and they are at the negotiation table, on going.
- JBER Community Engagement

Candidate Introductions

- Jennifer Sonne- Senate District 11- Independence Park
- Calvin Schrage- House District 25- re-election area mostly the same- Abbott Loop/Upper Hillside area.

Reports

FCC Representative Bruce Roberts

FCC Meeting- Municipal property tax assessor came to give a presentation. Answer questions, about 80% are handled within.

Roads & Projects Committee: Emily Sullivan

- Leslie announced PEL-Seward/Glenn Hwy at an open house yesterday. They are gathering community input. Ingra/Gambell safety issues, social justice, mobility issues. How to design a road system that is people driven, not just for cars. Give input on the website and via email- will impact Mt. View, FAirview and downtown.
- CIP update/Priority List due by June 15th, 2022. Meeting over last month. CIP list, completed draft, will upload. Added some that were presented to ALCC: the drainage issue at Pokey Circle, traffic barriers 88th and Little Brook.
- Bruce- ALCC has 29 Roads Projects and 18 Park projects are on ALCC list notes this is our input to the muni. We will be lucky to get one or two areas. People want to get a better sense of this- please join Roads and Parks meetings. ALCC list emails from the council or email sullivan@mac.com if you would like to be added. This list of priorities is submitted through the website to Anchorage muni.
- Top Ten list:
 - Elmore Rd/84th Coventry-signal.
 - Abbott Rd/Ruth Arcand Park Entrance
 - 64th Ave upgrade Brayton to Quinhagak
 - Moss St-dedicated walkway to Abbott Road
 - Basel St resurfacing

- Traffic barrier 88th and Little Brook
- Spruce Street- 64th-68th upgrade over extension
- Quinhagak Street upgrade- East Dowling Rd
- 84th Street resurfacing
- Pokey Circle drainage
- Spruce Street Extension Upgrade Project- Attended open house meeting 5/17 and there were 3-8 people while I was there for part of it. All from ALCC seem to not be in support of this. Info from DOWL- frustrated by the system to give DOWL input, we can advocate but Dowl is an engineering company, not who is making any decisions about the project going forward.

Parks & Rec Committee: Mark Miner/Susan Soule

- Park Foundation, Susan attended the awards. ALCC received grant funds with a community match of \$3,100. John Roder will be lead on this project.
- P & R crews cleaned up areas. Trails are all dried out. Question: Trail in Independence Park has trees down, call P&R for this, it is near Lake Otis past Hanshaw/Spring Hill area.
- In a holding pattern for the CIP process. Top Three for Park projects
 - Meadow Park
 - Spruce/Winchester Park- Master Plan
 - Atkins Park- by Abbott Loop Elementary

Planning & Zoning Committee (munimaps.muni.org/planning/allcomments.cfm): Mary Miner

- Request from Spinelli to support rezone, he has not returned. Nothing moving forward with this now.
- Lake Otis/Lore building project, may send out email offering our council invite to picnic.

Cannabis & Alcohol Committee: Yolanda Meza- not in attendance, standard renewals here.

- Fred Meyer Stores Inc, Liquor License # 4160, Renewal Package Store
- V.F.W. Post #9978, Liquor License #1203, Renewal Club
- 88th St. Liquor Boutique, Liquor License # 5114, Renewal Package Store

Membership & Events: Lizzie Newell

- Link and plan on google drive to share planning and needed areas.
- June and July meetings are at local parks

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

- Attended the Special Olympics torch run around Mt View.
- Patrolling this weekend and summer. Questions: How community patrol works: Observe and report, 5 patrol members in marked vehicles. Patrol Abbott Loop from Dowling to highway, Elmore to Service HS and in Independence Park areas. Grant funds from city and state help cover gear for members and cars.

Old Business

- Dowling Road and Seward Highway Interchange Construction Update- Seward Highway on- and off-ramps at Dowling Road to be CLOSED, as well as Dowling Road, from Brayton Drive through Homer Drive to construct the longer-term temporary Seward Highway DETOUR ROUTES. Homer Drive frontage road access to Dowling Road will be CLOSED. Business access will be maintained at all time. Brayton Drive will be maintained for the Alpine Apartment access.
- Jamestown Dr & Elcadore Dr Reclamation, Project No. 21-05. Start of construction May 16, 2022, with a completion date on or about July 20, 2022
- Statewide Redistricting Maps: Updates <https://www.akredistrict.org/>

New Business

- DOWL- Kenny Werth- MOA Navigation Center to be located on Tract 2, Tudor Municipal Campus Subdivision. DOWL will be assisting with the preparation of the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) application for the MOA Navigation Center. The site is located on the APD campus at the southeast corner of the intersection of Tudor Road and Elmore. DOWL- MOA Navigation Center- LaQuita Chmielowski. Information: Conditional use permit.
- Joe Gerace AHD presentation. Cory Young from Mayor's office.
 - Plan to end homelessness. Day engagement center for food and warm up. Service enriched environment, Operated by an operator, not muni HD, Will cover all aspects of homelessness. Plan presented via slide show. June 22nd next meeting at the library.

Announcements/Comments

Next Meetings:

- June 30th, 2022 Abbott Loop Community Park, 8101 Elmore Rd. 4-8pm, Picnic.
- July 28th, 2022 Whisper Faith Kovach Park, 1904 Lore Rd. 6:30-8pm. Informal gathering
- August 25th, 2022 TBA
- September 29th, 2022

Comments:

Adjourn 8:44pm