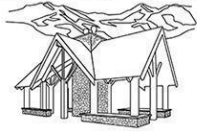


Abbott Loop



Community Council

Minutes

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Date: August 25th, 2022

Time: 6:30-8:30 PM

**LOCATION: Abbott Loop Elementary
8427 Lake Otis Parkway**

Call to Order 6:40pm

- Round of Introductions
- Changes or additions to agenda- adding hybrid meetings/Zoom account information.
- Approval of minutes from May 2022: Kathleen Easley, no corrections, minutes as approved.
- Approval of treasurer's report: Heather Schrage, \$150.45 balance. Donation jar here for any donations.

APD Report

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

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

- Senator: Josh Revak- not in attendance, no representative here for his office.
- Representative: Calvin Schrage
Legislative report, slow now and election season. Down tick in revenue. Two million into savings to pad things, but projected savings will be reduced.
- Representative Laddie Shaw- not in attendance.

Community Reports and Q & A:

- Assembly member(s) www.muni.org/departments/assembly
 - Felix Rivera-
 - Homelessness-Assembly passed a few appropriations in July to deal with short term needs. These dealt with outreach, remodel United Way apartments could open up. Forward funded emergency shelter funds. \$3.4 million finalizes Guest House finish purchase of building- just waiting for the check to be written for this. ARPA Funds- \$52 million into a general bucket. 46% of this was spent on housing- low income and homelessness. Task Force set up last week to help with planning/management. Administration hasn't given a plan. We need to be proactive, Assembly to ask Anchorage Housing and Homelessness group to create a task force to help with and give input on thoughts of what to implement for this winter.
 - Budget/Alcohol tax- Administration did do some work on the money spent. Budget overage: 11 million in PFD garnishments, hotel tax and Alcohol tax monies.
 - 3rd party looking into HR department and vetting of individuals- Internal review by Administration by Amy Demboski and Niki Tshibaka. Assembly wants a 3rd party to review this. Will be looking at the Joe Gerace situation and possibly broader past appointments.
 - Meg Zaletel-
 - Transportation- Academy and Vanguard 2023-2026 up for approval today. AMAB members (Meg/Forrest Dunbar) offer a resolutions to reduce greenhouse gas reduction plan and no motorized undeveloped assets- AMATS has a mapping of this. Provides information on how neighborhoods are connected. This passed.
 - TIP- Delete 96th/ Scooter Drive project-failed, we are able to refer to the

Tech Advisory Committee. Will report back in November- this won't be funded until April, so we have time. Community wants: Walkable, multimodal access in our community. Pedestrian/vehicle crash data- most of these are on state owned roads.

- Constituent complaint of drug like activity on 84th & Spruce area.
- Alcohol tax- going to dig into the programs that have gotten funds. Approved grants for 2023 at last meeting. Look to see how/give feedback on how the programs are working. One time funding from Alcohol tax- training for APD (Cultural competency/new laws). The funds have not been expended. Asked for a report on how funds are spent by October. January new budget- for timing and projects.
- Mobile Mental Health Crisis Team- 10am-8pm. It is funded for 24 hr operation and this will hopefully be coming. Hard time with staffing. Great outcomes. Interceding in situations that would have been calls to APD and use of Psychiatric ER.

- School Board member(s) <https://www.asdk12.org/Page/1442>
 - No school board members present. Dave Donely will be the ASD school board member that will attend ALCC meetings.
- Mayor's Office Report <https://www.muni.org/departments/mayor/Pages/default.aspx>- not requested, no one in attendance.
- JBER Community Engagement- August info on August agenda.

Candidate Introductions

- Janice Park- Alaska State Senate District , which is Abbott Loop and Hillside.
- Walter Featherly- Alaska House District 11- Chugiak State Park to New Seward.
- Calvin Schrage- Alaska House District 12- Abbott Loop and Lower Hillside.

Reports

FCC Representative Bruce Roberts- No FCC meetings in summer, picnic in July. No report.

Roads & Projects Committee: Emily Sullivan- Not in attendance.

- The Municipality of Anchorage Project Management & Engineering Department is planning to upgrade Quinhagak Street from East Dowling Road to Askeland Drive. <https://quinhagakstreetreconstruction.com/>

Parks & Rec Committee: Mark Miner

- Spruce and Winchester Parks- proposed Resolution regarding sledding hill, this was introduced at July gathering at the park. Resolution can be reviewed here: <https://www.communitycouncils.org/servlet/viewfolder?id=8125>
- Resolution read by Mary Miner. Leslie motions to approve, Susan S. seconds. Some discussion on working with muni separately, signage and history. Voting: 20 yea, 0 opposed, Passes. President will sign and this will be sent to the Anchorage Assembly, mayor and Parks & Rec.

Planning & Zoning Committee: Mary Miner

- Request for public comment on proposed AMC Title 21 Text Amendment to Accessory Dwelling Unit Regulations) which is scheduled for review and recommendation by the Planning and Zoning Commission at a Public Hearing on 09/19/22.
<https://www.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/Projects/AnchLandUse/Pages/ADU.aspx>
- Planning application for 2022-0092, Ali Turker-Admin. SPR (3 Duplex Units). Administrative Site Plan Review of Lot 7, Block 3, Revised, John Wells 1952 Addition (Plat P-267E) Zoned: R-2M (Mixed Residential). Input from ALCC due by 8/30.
- Vehicle storage-removing parking from accessory units development- now it is three parking spots per lot. Community feedback, concern about AirB&Bs or short term rentals.

Cannabis & Alcohol Committee: Yolanda Meza

- August Liquor license renewals:
 - Beverage Dispensary: Little Italy, LL #2988
 - Package store: 2 Go Mart #071

- Club: American Legion Post #28
- Restaurant: Barbie's Cafe
- Beverage: Long Branch Saloon
- Brewery/Distillery: Midnight Sun Brewing Co.
- Package Store: Oaken Keg #2628
- Beverage: O'Malley on the Green
- Package Store: Speedway Express
- August Marijuana license renewals:
 - Glacial Extracts LLC
 - Hillside Natural Wellness LLC
 - Alaska Greenworks LLC
 - Hollyweed/YNV Investment LLC
 - ACF VenturesTundra Jane
 - Higher Altitude

Membership & Events: Lizzie Newell

Please make sure you are signed in. Reminder- must attend two meetings before they can vote. Keeps attendance at each meeting.

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

Always recruiting, Have five members currently. Canvassing in marked vehicles, observe and report. Will put the 84th/Pokey Circle area on the list to monitor. Event on Friday- Fan Out Friday is the last Friday of each month. Keeping an eye on vandalism/please report to APD when you see it.

Old Business

- Revive Alaska's proposal for a transitional living facility in Independence Park.
 - Gave a presentation they believe the project had been mischaracterized on social media. They believe they have been subject to harassment/bullying and mistreatment because of this housing project in the Independence Drive area. They have had two public "hearings"- one onsite and one at ALCC June park meeting. They are now putting a stop to their plans and are looking for other sites.

New Business

- Election information and nominations for Board and Officers. Voting at the next meeting in September. See procedures on the last page of August agenda. Patti H nominates all existing officers and board members, Susan S. seconds. Next meeting voting, then the October meeting will start all positions for a year.

Announcements/Comments

Upcoming Meeting Dates

ALCC monthly meetings are usually the last Thursday of the month. October-December meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Thursday because of Parent/Teacher conferences and holiday closures of the school.

- October 20th (3rd Thursday)
- November 17th (3rd Thursday)
- December 15th (3rd Thursday)

Adjourn 8:28pm

ALCC Procedures regarding Elections of Officers and Board

Elections are held on the last Thursday of September for Officers and Board members.

Starting at the August regular meeting the Secretary shall record the names of persons interested in running for office.

At the beginning of the September meeting, the President shall call the body to order and proceed through approval of the minutes and treasurer's report.

The President will appoint someone who is not running for office to run the elections.

Nominations will be opened for each officer position one at a time. Candidates may give up to a three-minute speech on why they are running. If there is more than one nomination, a ballot for that office only will be handed to each qualified member. Three members will count the votes and report the winner of that office to the body. This process will be repeated for the other three officers, one at a time. This allows the other nominees to run for another office or board position.

Following the election of officers, a ballot for the nine-member Board of Directors will be handed to each qualified member. Nominations will be taken from the floor and each member will write any additional nominations on their ballot.

After nominations have been closed, Candidates may give up to a three-minute speech about their qualifications, interest in the Community Council, and the position. Candidates do not need to be present; however, they must have acknowledged to the Secretary they are willing to serve.

After ballots have been collected, the three-member election team will count the ballots. The meeting will proceed during this phase of ballot counting with the President resuming control of the meeting.

The results of the new board will be announced before the meeting adjourns. New Officers and Board members take office after the September meeting is adjourned.