

**Rabbit Creek Community Council Meeting Minutes for Thursday, August 11, 2022**  
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Location: Internet Zoom Meeting

Board Roll Call - Present: Ann Rappoport (Co-Chair), David Sterling (Secretary), Keith Guyer (Treasurer), Judy Michael, Mike Kenny, Dianne Holmes, Matthew Blakeslee, John Riley, Carl Johnson, Michelle Turner.

Absent: Amanda Doughty

Board Member Co-Chair – Ann Rappoport - Opened the meeting formally at 7:02 pm. Asked people to put name in the chat. Determined 10 board members and a total of over 35 attendees, Declared a Quorum and General Meeting. Ann Rappoport described the Google Sign-In Method. RCCC follows Roberts Rules of Order. The attendance list is attached. Advised of recording the meeting. Described methods to vote on issues for this meeting. People calling in on telephone will need to text to a phone number to sign-in and for voting and sign-in. Described voting eligibility, attendance of one prior meeting in past 12 months. Described Zoom protocol and instructions.

- **Voting** – Judy Michaels - Chairperson at Goldenview School - Described all aspects about how when, where to vote. Absentee ballots. New scanners. ADA computer to vote on. Info on backside of agenda. Described the ballots.
- **August Agenda** – No objections. Slight change to Fire Wise Resilience announcement. Approved as written.
- **June Meeting Minutes** – Motion to Approve by Michelle Turner & 2<sup>nd</sup> Carl Johnson - Approved.

**Announcements & Legislative Reports:**

- **Assembly Members for RCCC Area** -
  - **Suzanne LaFrance** – Contact info: Cell: (907) 351-7199, Voicemail: (907) 343-4122, E-mail: [LaFranceS@muni.org](mailto:LaFranceS@muni.org) – Discussed various issues. Brown Jug license at Huffman Business Park Center work session Aug 17<sup>th</sup> at City Hall. Homeless Issues roll of MOA is Public Safety which includes Emergency Shelter Temporary, not permanent housing. Housing there are federal funds available. Makes sense for smaller shelters. For housing Rasmussen Foundation has helped a lot. Many reasons that cause homeless people. Met with various MOA folks about resolution regarding noise issue. \$100 fine may not be a deterrent and a fix-it ticket may be better. Noise issue will be on future agendas. Health Department Director issue discussion and working on this problem.
  - **Randy Sulte** – South Potter Marsh Visitor Site \$700k was in package that was recently funded. Health Dept Director issues to vet out nominating people. Remove elected official issue will be on ballot. 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Theatre issue, not a lot of effort to stop demolition. School bus driver shortage. Equestrian Heights Subdivision email about owner has right to construct road or develop lots based on proper & legal water & sewer methods. Raising tax exemption from \$50k to \$70k, Aug 26<sup>th</sup> work session. Beetle kill tree removal project funding for various parks. Centennial Park homeless issues ongoing. Comments to Randy about Equestrian Heights Subdivision and the liquor License at Huffman Business Park. Homeless question - Randy is more interested in providing hotel housing and drug & alcohol counseling for the homeless. Several Resolutions have been recently passed providing money to provide care during cold.
- **State Representatives** –
  - **Representative James Kaufman** – [rep.elect.james.kaufman@akleg.gov](mailto:rep.elect.james.kaufman@akleg.gov) – 907-538-5262 – Not present.
  - **Senator Roger Holland** – [sen.elect.roger.holland@akleg.gov](mailto:sen.elect.roger.holland@akleg.gov) – cell 907-351-8277 – Present. Not a lot going on now. Upper Canyon Road issue and lack of maintenance. Campaign season.
- **Anchorage School District** – Andrew Holleman – Discussed lack of School Bus Driver issue. August 18<sup>th</sup> is first day of school. This year's school start will be a bit bumpier than normal. Added traffic at schools like on Golden View, how can MOA planning help alleviate traffic jams.
- **JBER** – Joy Boston – Ann put things on back of agenda.
- **Election Candidates** – Davis Schaff running for State Representative. Cathy Giessel has visited 5,400 homes in the area. Heard that people want someone who can work on both sides of aisle.

## **New Business and Old Business Requiring Action**

- **Draft Plats for Burlwood (Jaamly) and Shangri-La East Subdivision** – Tony Hoffman of Boutet Company – Reviewed plat map for Shangri-La Subdivision on internet. Meeting a month ago. Putting 8 lots on Mountain Air north of last plat on east side of road. Road is already built up to temporary turnaround. Lots are all more than 40,000 sf. Wetlands on west side. Not encroaching. Environmental studies underway. Connection to Mountain Air after bridge is built. Waiting for that work for future platting. Middle December for approval. Dianne Holmes and Nancy Pease concerned about trail along side of the road. Future Mountain Air Road will have trails. RCCC working on trail connecting Bear Valley School and Goldenview Middle School. Great time to add pathway onto plat. Expecting a network of trails in this area. Also expect to connect to Section 36 trails. Existing decent trail towards east. Tony agrees that it is a good time to include trails. Discussed other issues on neighboring plats and areas. For Burlwood Subdivision there is a wetlands area that Travis-Peterson has and is mapping and confirming from prior GIS mapping. Soil testing underway. Wetlands area has changed with time. Described where road will be built. Road towards north will not be built at this time. Owner did a little more clearing than he was supposed to. Jaamly Road being improved since it had some drainage problems. Road to north will be developed, no name decided upon yet.
- **Taras Subdivision S12671 Update** – Dianne Holmes – Submitted comments. Main concern was north-south trail on an easement and did not include brushing out and signage on the trail.
- **AMATS Transportation** – Already made comments but want to reiterate as they go thru final approval. Going thru final approval phase on August 26<sup>th</sup>. Nancy Pease – AMATS made one change that RCCC asked for, Rabbit Creek Road turning lane now states, Improvements for left turn movement, which can be left turn pockets instead of a full middle lane. Will include non-motorized facilities where possible, rather than calling it a non-motorized pathway. 1) Recreational Trails Plan, prefer to describe as Transportation Trails, because those have larger pot of money available. Inventory of trails. Include easement for non-motorized trails.
- **Letter of Support for Glen Alps Road Service Area Upper DeArmoun** – Nancy Pease – Money left over from previous DeArmoun Road upgrade projects. 98% of traffic on road is from people accessing Chugach State Park. Want to spend the money upgrading for Chugach State Park Access on Upper Canyon Road and MOA is holding up the money. As a neighborly action.
  - **Motion-Nancy Pease & 2<sup>nd</sup> Ann Rappoport** – To support Glen Alps Road Service Area to use funds to support Chugach State Park Access Use. Results: Yes=17; No=1; Abstain=1. Motion passes.
- **Pickle Ball Lines at Goldenview Middle School Ice Hockey Rink** – Joan Diamond working with ASD on getting painted installed.
- **Resilience Committee** – Two Issues – 1) Ky Holland requesting Thank You Letter to AFD for their work coordinating firework ban around the city. Ky Holland to draft a letter under RCCC Letterhead.
  - **Motion-Ky Holland & 2<sup>nd</sup> David Michaels** – To support provide Thank You Letter to Anchorage Fire Department. Results: Yes=16; No=0; Abstain=0. Motion passes.
  - **2) Resolution about Communication Within MOA** – Document on website describing request within better communications within the MOA to get messages out about emergency situations. Department of Emergency Management and AFD to practice getting messages out to the public.
- **Motorcycles Noise/Safety, & Racing Up/Down RCCC Area Roads** – Six Community Councils have passed resolutions regarding noise. Noise Resolution has been written and submitted. Ombudsman office has been involved. There have been 26 noise citations issued from January to June 2022, up slightly from last year. Currently there is a fix-it ticket law. Has gone thru the Public Process and has hit a wall on getting action.
  - **Poll - Ann Rappoport** – To provide support for Noise Ordinance. Decided to wait until next month for poll.
- **Land Use & Transportation Committee (LUTC)** – Meets first Thursday of each month.
- **Resilience Committee** – Ann – August 22<sup>nd</sup> next Resilience Committee meeting.

- **Schools on Trails** – Ann R – Update for working with MOA on Legal Use of Easements. Need liaison person. Some response. Trail brushing information in chat to help clean up on Saturday Aug 13, contact Dianne Holmes. Supposed to rain, so maybe later.

### **Committee Reports**

- **FCC** – No Report.
- **HALO** – No Report.
- **Social Media** – No report.
- **Treasurer Report** – Probably close to last month. \$1,595 available. \$400 for future scanning.

**Next Meeting** – September 8<sup>th</sup>. Meeting on Zoom.

**Motion to Adjourn Dianne Holmes and 2<sup>nd</sup> Carl Johnson** - No objections. Approved.

**Meeting adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm.