Abbott Loop MINUTES



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Date: October 20th, 2022

Time: 6:30-8:30 PM

at Abbott Loop Elementary 8427 Lake Otis Parkway and Zoom Hybrid

Call to Order 6:35pm

- Round of Introductions
- Changes or additions to agenda, move School Board member speaking at the beginning of meeting- approved.
- Approval of minutes from September 2022: Kathleen Easley. No changes, approved.
- Treasurer's report: Heather Schrage. Balance of account is \$224.45, hat going around for donations.

APD Report-Report and Q & A- APD Officer. No report/not requested APD attend.

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

- Senator: Josh Revak, not in attendance, no report.
- Representative: Calvin Schrage

Legislature has flat funded education, failed to raise BSA. Need to look at the funding formula/cost of living in that area. Anchorage gets the lowest allocation in the state, needs a cost study factor- working on this process. Changes in oil prices and budget set when price of oil was \$110/barrel. We are now at \$92/barrel. Permanent Fund is the largest source of state funding changes in fund drop because of oil prices. We need to think about longevity. Western Alaska- Legislature is not in session now, the Governor and admin manage or ask for assistance.

Community Reports and Q & A:

- Assembly member(s) <u>www.muni.org/departments/assembly</u>
 - Meg Zaletel- One million to Mobile plan- multi modal transportation. AMATS. Process has to take in local plans and includes local areas in the planning process. Parking reductions- getting rid of these. Planning to include snow- and where it will go. Budget season- one has been presented by the mayor/administration. Alcohol tax money budget money. Some complications getting this funding out into the community. This is a newer revenue source and still working on it.
 - Felix Rivera- Homelessness ongoing. The original contract was not a sole source contact. Was \$50,000 now up to \$4/9 million. The administrations used CMCG- a different method to move things through faster. Once the contract for the Navigation center was negotiated it should have come back to the assembly for approval. \$4.9 million worth of work has been completed, and if not approved, does that open us up for litigation- legal says yes. The The Budget with two public hearings for testifying 10/25 and 11/9. Will be voting on the budget 11/22. Body cams- Two parties, the muni and the APD Employment Association into arbitration about two weeks ago. Hope for a resolution. Admin has refused to give a date, don't want to be stuck with a promise/ timeline and not make it. Administration has added into the budget a higher amount than previous year- so this is a positive sign.
- School Board member(s) https://www.asdk12.org/Page/1442
 - Dave Donley- Six school closures- school board will approve or deny in December.
 THis would include tearing down Abbott Loop Elementary and repurpose the other schools (use for charter schools, etc). Nothing is approved at this time. School board did not come up with this, this is from ASD administration. Extensive public hearings for Nov 23rd and 24th. This has been coming for 5 years. Budget was filled in by

COVID funding and now facing a \$68 million gap. Funding from legislature ASD received \$60 million for projects that were on the April bond that had not been funded (security upgrades, and so on except Inlet View which will go to voters. Six year plan required by the state for ASD to have, will be addressed at the next meeting.

- Mayor's Office Report https://www.muni.org/departments/mayor/Pages/default.aspx, not in attendance, no one requested.
- JBER Community Engagement report was on the agenda for October.

Candidate Introductions

Information about the upcoming November 8, 2022 General Election can be found here: <u>Alaska Division of Elections</u> Walter Featherly- House District 11, Janice Park- District F, Calvin Schrage- State House 12, Dave Kauffmen- District F

Reports

FCC Representative: Bruce Roberts, not in attendance.

Roads & Projects Committee: Mary Minor

• Spruce Street Extension/Upgrade- Non-Public Hearing before the Urban Design Commission on 11/16/2022. Comments can be sent in by mail or email sprucestreetextention@dowl.com.

Parks & Rec Committee: Mark Miner, not in attendance.

Final Recreation Plan was signed by BLM for Campbell Tract. The main thing to note is, the
proposed action authorization of pedal assist E-bikes was not approved. Link to project and all
documents here: https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2013694/570

Planning & Zoning Committee: Mary Miner

Brought up concerns with Accessory Dwelling Unit changes Title 21 code- code to eliminate/deletes owner occupancy requirements. Concern is that if the point is to increase housing, then we should look at these being created as short term rentals such as AirB&Bs. Encouraging people to give input and encourage Meadow Park on CIP report.

Cannabis & Alcohol Committee: Yolanda Meza, not in attendance. Nothing emailed in to report this month.

Membership & Events: Lizzie Newell-Thank you to Lizzie for the Hybrid Zoom set up and making sure all goes smoothly.

Abbott Loop Community Patrol: Dan Rudder, Lead http://www.accpatrols.org/, not in attendance. Patti reporting Fan outs.

Old Business

New Business

- Huddle-Holly Spoth-Torres- Quinhagak Street Reconstruction Project- Justin Keen- CRW (hired by muni) CIP list.
 East Dowling to Askeland Drive, full road. Improvement: new road way, curb and gutters, new drain systems,
 pedestrian and street lights. Design study report. Bonds 2023. Open House #1 Polaris School Thursday, Nove 3rd
 5-7pm. Will show some concepts and gather input. Quinhagakstreetconstruction.com, can sign up for updates.
- December meeting- Motion to combine November and December meetings to November 17th with a potluck. Seconded by Heather Schrage. No opposition. Approved. Will send out sign up and encourage everyone to come.

Announcements/Comments

October 29th- last date to request an absentee ballot. Goul-Out-The-Vote- 10/29 noon- 4pm.

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.

- November 17th (3rd Thursday)
- December 15th (3rd Thursday) TBA

JBER Community Engagement October 2022

NEW Speed Limit on D Street from 1st to 6th Streets is 15 mph from 6:30-8:00 a.m. Monday-Friday.

Davis Highway between Attu Hall and the Cemetery is closed during PT from 6:30-7:30 a.m. Monday-Friday. Please plan your route accordingly. A map and more information can be found here: https://www.jber.jb.mil/Home/Closures/.

JBER winter safety information and FAQs on road conditions and snow removal can be found here:

https://www.jber.jb.mil/News/News-Articles/NewsDisplay/Article/3179246/prepare-for-winterwith-fags/.

Air Force Recruiting Service's Aim High Flight Academy application period is open now until November 30, 2022. This is an opportunity for high school students ages 16-18 to attend a 3-week flight introduction program that includes up to 15 hours of flight instruction. This is completely free; transportation, room/board and all instruction are free to participants. There is no commitment to the military or Air Force by participating. More information at https://www.recruiting.af.mil/Aim-High-Flight-Academy/

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