October 10, 2022 SLCC Meeting Minutes

6:30-7pm

Mia Costello running for re-election Votemia.com 227-5276 Fund raiser Thursday 10/13 5:30pm - 7:30pm at Belle's Nursery.

Jenny Armstrong District 16 State House against Liz Vasquez Concerned about families and childcare. Investing in education.

7pm - 7:30pm

Jason Delph Senior Captain from Station 7 Fire Department

Gathering feedback on how the fire department can support Sand Lake

Every incident report goes into a database that follows a national criteria.

Everything that happens in the fire department is public information. You can stop by a station for a tour. Visiting hours is 9am - 10pm. Work day usually ends at 5pm.

4 phases for testing
18 yrs old clean criminal record
Physical agility
Written test
Two interviews
Situational and chief's interview

Fire prevent week right now. Check your co alarms, smoke alarms, check furnace, heater cleaned and inspected.

Biggest cause of fires in Anchorage is unattended cooking and improperly discarded a cigarette

Fire department can to evaluation of your home.

Can drop off brownies and cookies.

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Teri Lindseyh Airport Update 7:30pm - 7:42pm

- Airport is hiring many positions. Go to www.joinanc.com or local71.com/jobs

FAA project to relocate a tower. Old tower will eventually be torn down and new tower possibly closer to cell tower in airport or maybe recondition road for more room for airport pickup. 308 ft tower.

Assembly members not present today.

7:52 - 7:59 Liz staff representative from Matt Claman

You can use APOC reports to see spending for campaigns

Division of elections expects to begin sending absentee by mail ballots on October 14.

Community member asked about how can we retain more people in Alaska and help businesses with short staff.

Katie Senator Mia Costello's Office Can reach her if you need

Margo Bellamy School Board 8:05pm - 8:24 pm

School Bus situation still a challenge. Training new fleet and should get better on November 1.

- Working on current 68 million deficit. No plans for immersion programs and ignite program going away.
- October 18th 2 hour work session on boundaries and capacity

Questions:

What can we do to have bus drivers having more repeatable routes?

They bid on routes. Currently there aren't enough routes so they are rotating routes until they get staffed.

Community member question posed

18 schools at 65% or less capacity. We are closing schools. Why is building a new school a consideration? (inlet view)

When the bond failed many anchorage legislators worked hard to get a one time bond reimbursement money. Some community members felt that money needed to be used in a certain way.

Funds were used for leaky roofs with rain season. \$37 million is remaining from one time finding. It came from the state legislator as bond RE-indebtment release for tax payers

\$84 million needed for capital improvements currently needed.

Community member question posed

- Hired an unqualified superintendent bypassing two others.
- Worried about boys playing on girl's teams and sharing restrooms.
- Worried about teaching gay sex in school.

Her opinion is he is qualified. He is certified Alaska super intendent. She is not aware of any boys playing on girls teams.

Mara Rabinowitz Alaska judicial council 8:27pm - 8:58pm

They want partisan politics not be apart of judges. They are responsible for whether a judge remains in office for another term or is removed from office.

Responsibilities

Evaluate performance of judge

Studies to improve administration of justice

Judges standing for retention do not run against anyone. They cannot campaign.

Peer review process for attorneys and judges who have practiced to review current judges.

Merit selection or Missouri plan

Levels of Judges

2 levels of appellate court.

No trails. They review work to see whether trial judges got it right.

Divorces

Court of appeals

Criminal

Two levels of trial courts

Superior court - general jurisdiction to discuss any dispute

District court - limited jurisdiction and may not have authority on certain things like divorces

How are the Alaskan judicial council members elected? 3 people appointment by governor. 3 attorneys appointed by Alaska bar association. Must be non-partisan and must be geographically widespread.

Judges can only campaign when someone tries to attack them

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Treasurers Report from Eugene Cho 8:58 - 9:02pm

Currently working on removing Parker from Wells Fargo Account to add Jason Mellerstig as new President. Requiring a lot of work by reviewing when Parker resigned and Jason was appointed as new President. Need to review past ZOOM meetings and gather meeting minutes for Wells Fargo to review.

Rich from Tastee Freez is retiring and selling the business. He is looking for people to maintain the garden and grass which he has been doing for years.

Meeting adjourned 9:02pm