Sand Lake Community Council (SLCC) Meeting June 10, 2024 | 6:30PM - 8:30PM

- 1. Welcome / Call to Order 6:34pm
- 2. Approval the Minutes Approved as corrected.
- 3. President's Report
 - **a.** No meetings in July or August. A special meeting is possible.
 - **b.** September Forecast:
 - i. We will need a new treasurer, nominations will be held in Sept.
 - ii. Presentation on Judicial System.

4. Treasurer's Report

a. Current Balance: \$847.05

5. Kincaid Park Updates

a. Kincaid Soccer Field Improvements, MOA PArks & Rec

- i. Mitigating sand erosion at soccer stadium, PTS
- ii. 2 tiers of rock, 60' length at the longest point
- iii. Transplanting "veg mat" from vegetation in the park
- iv. After this meeting, the project is going to the Parks & Rec Commission. Targeting a fall (Aug/Sept) installation.

b. Kincaid Stadium Storage Facility, Nordic Skiing Association

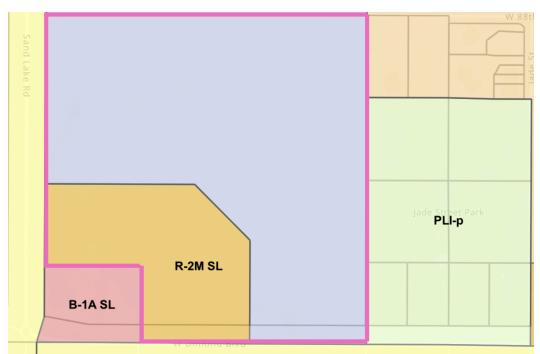
- i. Nordic Skiing Association building a storage facility
- ii. Seeking a resolution of support for the project.
- **iii.** Motion to support the project, Robert Hays. No objections, motion approved.

6. Chugach Electric Raspberry Substation

- **a.** Need to build a bigger substation to serve the airport, nearby housing.
- **b.** Announcement soon to come through Airport
- **c.** 2025 construction start, work underground. Chugach has a policy to restore infrastructure (Raspberry Road, multiuse pathways, etc.)

7. Polen Park Snow Disposal Site

a. West Dimond Blvd + Sand Lake Road. Fulfills community meeting requirement to submit proposal to Planning & Zoning Commission (PZC). *Continued on following page*.



- b.
- **c.** What is the site used for now? The Municipality ran out of snow sites in 2023, 2024. This site became a temporary snow dump for the 2023-2024 winter season with a special land use permit.
- **d.** How often does dumping occur? As needed, weather dependent.
- **e.** What has changed since last month? Reissued notices, using MOA addresses for residences 500ft from the edge of the property.
- f. The site is zoned PLI with Tract 2 zoned as R-2M. Long-term fill is scheduled for the next 10 or so years to make the site usable as a park and medium density housing, per the 2040 LUP. This would give the site a use in the meantime.
- **g.** The snow pile would be in the R-2M area of the site. Drainage plan has been approved, a hydrology report was approved for temporary snow removal site.
- **h.** Trash would be cleaned everyday. In the long term, there needs to be another 15" of fill and technical screenings to be able to build housing, so the hope is that the snow disposal site would be able to support the housing. A resident expressed concern about trash, debris impacting the Inlet, local fauna, etc.
- i. There is a condo development across the street. A resident mentioned neighbors didn't receive the public notice for the project. Asks S4 to be more diligent about correct noticing after receiving addresses from the Muni.
- j. Once the project is submitted to PZC, the project will be assigned a Planning Case number and the Planning Department will issue notices to the Community Council. The Community Council will share out a link to subscribe to notifications about the public process for the case.
- **k.** S4 to follow up with a pdf map and any other digital resources available to slccsecretary23@gmail.com

8. Ted Stevens International Airport Report

- **a.** Interim Airport Director, Andy Speer (from Fairbanks Airport)
- **b.** Masterplan distributed. Immediate construction this summer AND long-range planning (20+ years). Terminal improvements, runway improvements, projections for future development. Visit www.ancmpu.com to learn more, public comment ends Tuesday, June 11.
- **c.** Public notice for design services West Cargo Airport Expansion (#5 on Master Plan), off of Point Worzonof Park. Design to include 8 airplane parking spaces.
- **d.** New police K-9 units for drug capture.
- e. Onsite tour for airport expansion (2 dates upcoming)
- **f.** Parking at the airport is limited, lots are filling up by 2pm. Take Bus 65 to the airport (servicing Jewel Lake).

9. Anchorage School Board Report, Member Kelly Lessens

- a. Graduation season was fun. Honored to give
- **b.** Board annual retreat this week, focusing on reading and math.
- c. Major highlight: In ASD, fewer kids are ready for kindergarten than the national average. HOWEVER, this year, ASD is 2% short of the national average. Nationally, 29 more kindergarteners are on track by the end of the year, in ASD, 40+ kindergarteners get caught up.
- **d.** Board approved a master plan for the Academies of Anchorage. Applies to 8 comprehensive high schools.
- **e.** Will cost \$3.5M beginning in 2025-2026, grows to \$6.5 when federal grant expires.
- **f.** Will need to shift high schools from 6 classes/term to 7-8 classes/term.
- **g.** School Board jurisdictions to rotate over the summer.
- **10. Municipality of Anchorage Report -** No Anchorage Assembly members present to report.
 - a. Consider inviting Administrative Leadership to Q3/Q4 2024 Meetings.

11. Alaska Legislature Reports

a. Senator Claman

- i. The budget passed legislature, balanced including \$680 increase to BSA.
- **ii.** Governor's deadline to sign the budget is end of June. Line item vetoes are expected.
- iii. New fiscal year starts July 1.
- iv. Comprehensive crime package passed.

b. Representative Josephson (Alexander)

- i. Nine items added to the budget, including:
 - 1. \$4M for the 56th Ave. low-barrier shelter operations to keep the shelter open through the summer.

2. \$2.2M for Volunteers of America youth substance recovery center, the only facility in the state dedicated to serving youth.

ii. Legislation

- 1. Crime package.
- 2. Institutional vandalism law. Added religious institutions to protections for cemeteries against vandalism
- 3. Expanded medicare coverage to cover police officers experiencing job-related PTSD.

12. Ted Stevens International Airport Subcommittee - Linda Swiss

a. Nothing to report.

13. Federation of Community Councils Update, Evan Leaf

a. Not present to report

14. Other Business

- **a.** FCC Rep Evan Leaf presented an idea for an Anchorage Tram System at the May City Nerd Nite. **WATCH NOW.**
- **b.** Capital Improvement Program
 - i. CIP survey participation is due June 15. CIP Subcommittee prepared a resolution for consideration.
 - ii. The executive board will welcome comments and review and approve the resolution (with possible amendments) for submission this week.
 - **iii.** The council will take up ratification of the resolution at the September Meeting.
- c. Special Meeting RE: Polen Park Snow Disposal Site
 - i. After case is assigned with PZC and a public hearing date is scheduled, executive board intends to schedule a special meeting to take up a resolution in advance of the PZC public hearing.

15. Move to Adjourn: 8:05pm Next Meeting: September 9