

**FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
General Membership Meeting Minutes  
June 13, 2024-6:30-8:30 PM

**Call to Order**

~Meeting called to order at 6:34 PM.

~Attending: James Thornton, Sharon Chamard, Kelly Ittenbach, Denise Janson, Bryan Hawkins, Gillian Tribble, Heather Tribble, Allen Kemplen, Roger Bronson (mental health & homeless advocate), Lindsey Hajduk, Nick Miller, Tammy Miller(Alaska Budz), Ninetta Regalado, Eric Glatt, Joshua Sy, Tom Schneider

Zoom: Zack Fields, Suzi Alexander, Eric (Canna Get Hashy), Mark Bundy (AFD), Sandra Millhouse (Canna Get Happy/Hashy), Janel Walton, Chris Campbell, Chris Constant, SJ Klein, Melinda Gant (ACDA)

~Approval of June 13, 2024 Agenda - Heather T approved; Bryan seconded.

~ Approval of May 9, 2024 Minutes- Heather T approved, Allen seconded.

~AFD: Mark Bundy: SWS plans to open woodlot; Fire Wise applications continuing, Lithium battery disposal issues - can drop off at SWS for free. Have bike helmets for adults and teens to give out.

**Elected Officials**

~Representative Zack Fields: Would like to see a “bike skills park” somewhere in the Eastchester corridor. Can see one in Mirror Lake. One item in capital budget is f\$100,000 or Chester Creek trail improvements, especially safety improvements. Wrote list of DOT recommendations to mayor’s office for different Fairview projects. Need to add crosswalks, to both A & C streets, to slow down traffic. Was on picket line with Fairviewer Rebecca Owen (AK Airlines flight attendant). Supports flight attendants getting a good contract. Bill to expand access to mammograms passed.

Cliff Groh: Structural deficit of Alaska: no path to fix this in this year’s legislature, Homelessness: \$4 million to continue operations of homeless shelter on East 56th Ave. Education: funded one time increase to BSA of \$680 per student; Funding passed for school buildings as well as help with teacher retention. Energy: more funding for renewable energy projects. May have to import natural gas until we figure out how to increase our production. This Saturday will be at Lucky Wishbone 12-2 pm.

Chris Constant: teamanchorage.com - mayor’s office looking for community comments. HOME project on the list for next assembly meeting. Introduced at the last meeting reauthorization of the East Fairview tax abatement program; SJ: status of Storm water drain utility? CC: created by assembly in 2019 or 2020, but Bronson never funded this. New mayor committed to funding this utility. Re: Laura’s email: If you see a camp that needs to be abated, report to [www.muni.org/ancworks](http://www.muni.org/ancworks) with a pin on the map. Then outreach can actually be done - this is the only way to do this. Junk car issue is APD issue. Also, trying to extend Fairview tax abatement for building of at least 8 units of housing.

**Presentations**

none

**Committee Reports (Ad-Hoc)**

~Fun: Loki T chair. Lindsey: July 20th from 11-4 pm. Asking for event sponsors; getting entertainment, have email link if want to get involved.

~Bylaws: SJ Klein chair. Per JT, he is working on getting suggestions from membership for any bylaw changes.

~Public Safety/Homelessness: no chair yet. Sharon: neighbor reached out concerning encampment near Lion's Park. Would be nice to have a committee to help with this issue. Eric Glatt (lawyer who represents homeless): Trying to message the administration. According to current code, there is no way to legally camp. Wants to answer the question of "where are the homeless folks supposed to be alive legally?"  
" Trying to get different councils to put a call to the assembly to answer this question.

~Parks and Rec./Community Garden: Karen/Allen co-chairs: Flowers and shrubs planted in Woodside Park as part of a challenge grant. Parks Master Plan should be out this fall. In the latest bond that passed, there is more money for improvements to Woodside Park.

~Transportation: Allen chair: no update.

### **Standing Reports**

~Presidents Report: JT followed up on noise abatement presentation; Kelly to write a resolution for next month's meeting in support of noise control enforcement.  
Excited about block party.

~Treasurer's Report - quarterly report: general fund is getting low, but otherwise we're in pretty good shape. Gave auditor material for audit - expect we'll have it by July's meeting.

~Reconnecting Fairview Committee: Janel chair; Lindsey updated: request for proposals to move the planning process forward- should have consultants by this fall. Participated in a Podcast about the city with Allen and Bryan-shared vision of Fairview. Anchorage assembly hosted " Nerd Nite" where there was a topic about transportation, and there is a video of Dan Volland and Mary Dean Brussard (helped run winter audit) from AARP who both spoke at Nerd Nite about transportation issues, especially in the winter time; applied for Reconnecting Communities National Institute Grant.

### **Old Business**

~Fairview for Fairview: if anyone wants to donate, get with JT after the meeting. Thanks to Maria for her work on that.

### **New Business**

~Allen introduced a resolution and attachment (discussion paper) about how Anchorage is a unique subarctic city. Bryan moved to waive reading; Sharon seconded.

### **Community Comments/Concerns:**

Sharon: reduction of Rec. Center hours: worried about how this would affect our meetings. According to JT, they will keep rec. center open for our meetings.

Melinda: 3rd and Ingra RV resort update: assembly passed work plan with amendment for temporary use of property. APD involved; hour to hour sweeps. Next place of abatement 3rd and Karluk near sidewalk. Moving forward with funding and design. ACDA to create website.

Allen: Might be prudent for council to request from parks department re: status of initiatives for Fairview: rec. center hrs, implementation of strategies put together.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03