

## Minutes from 5-23-24 Glen Alps Community Council Meeting

Speaker 1: You need a pen? Rob? You got one? Great. Okay, cool. Alright, so welcome to the Ops Community council meeting for May 23rd, 2024. We are here doing a hybrid Bear Valley Zoom meeting and so thanks to a few of us that have arrived here. Hopefully we have more people trickle in. This is our annual election meeting as well, so we'll be getting to that. And my name is Rob Brown. This is Greg Kuer. And as a reminder, if you could sign your name on the sheet that is here or write your name in the chat if you're on Zoom. We are using a hybrid Zoom thing today from the community council or Federation of Community Councils that has this interesting perspective and it seems like it's really works very well, so hopefully we can use it in the future. And so this is a call to order to just review the membership and voting requirements.

Speaker 1: Anyone 18 or older whose primary place of a vote is within the council's geographic boundaries is eligible residents, non-resident property owners, business owners, and nonprofits with the physical premise located within the boundary boundaries are eligible. We do have those boundaries on the community councils.org website underneath Glen Alps, the section for us. And we also have them present here a map. And as I said, please sign the attendance sheet. The voting requirements tonight are that you must have attended one council meeting in the proceeding 12 months. Alright, and next on the agenda is to establish quorum. We do have one officer and a total of three members here. So we do have quorum. And moving on to the agenda, do we have any requests for any additions or changes? Yeah, I would like to submit a resolution that I'll present. I didn't tack that onto the agenda originally, but I have a resolution that I'll put under new business, the resolution supporting the pursuit of funding for the upgrade of Upper Deon Road.

Speaker 1: I'll just, I think we have that as B under nine already. At least it's contained in there it looks like. Oh yeah, yeah, yeah. Alright, so it great changes and, okay. Any other requests for additions or changes? Okay. Alright, well I guess, do I need to make a motion to approve the agenda? Alright, sure. Okay, second. Second. Okay. All in favor? Alright, and so we have posted our prior meetings minutes on the community councils.org website. We also have them present here. I can share my screen if anybody would like to review them or if they would like me to read them and request corrections. I have a motion to approve the minutes. Okay, second. All in favor? Okay, that passes minutes are approved and so do we have any legislators present? I don't see any here. No one's in the waiting room. We do have Randy Salt here and Randy, thanks for showing up. I appreciate it. I appreciate you coming on the short notice and we're a little bit skinny here as far as our members, but it is being recorded so it'll be made available on our community website or Facebook page as well. So thanks for showing up. Appreciate it.

Speaker 2: Yeah, no problem. Sorry I couldn't be there. I flew in from Slope and I actually fly out again tonight, so it's been a lot of fun lately.

Speaker 1: Yeah, one time a year.

Speaker 2: Yeah, it starts off with a bang. Lemme see here. Let's go with what's ahead on the assembly. So June 7th, actually let's just go back, I believe June 7th is the joint A SD assembly board meeting. We'll also at one to 2:00 PM confirm, have the hearing for Bianca Cross, the new police chief. So looking forward to that. And then our next regular assembly meeting is June 11th and I believe somewhere in there that might be the meeting where we confirm our new mayor. So we're looking forward to I guess that meeting. And then some of the things, let's see, I believe, sorry, certification is May 31st. That's what I see for the election Solid waste services. So your DUB coupons will be coming with your property tax bill will also have, the woodlot will be at the regional landfill in Eagle River. They're still working on a south Anchorage and I put it in quotes because it'll be at the central transfer facility off of 54th, 56th, they don't have staff yet for it.

Speaker 2: So once they have that, it'll open. And the best information is on solid waste services or a website. Last meeting, May 21st is Tuesday. A couple of things that went through, we did approve to keep the extended capacity of 200 individuals at the 54th Avenue shelter that was approved. There was an ordinance for Title 21 changes in combination with the, it's been tied linked to the home initiative. So it's AO 2024 dash 45 that was postponed to the meeting of June 11th and they will reopen public hearings. So hopefully if you have an opinion on that, you can attend. And I know a lot of the Hillside community councils have been following that one very closely. The right turn on red AO did fail some ideas and there's some good reasons why they wanted it. I just don't think we're ready for it. And there's alternatives to fixing the root cause there.

Speaker 2: We did also have an initial audience participation, which also failed. We did establish some HLB transfers to basically establish the Great Land Trust Park. And I'm blanking on the name of it, but it's right above Potter's Marsh. So that'll be a new addition, a nice addition to South Anchorage into the municipality overall. We also passed AO 2024 dash 53. And what that does is basically allows waves Title 23 with some stipulations, but allows pallet shelters, boss cubes, these tiny portable dwellings and they're meant to be temporary, typically don't have water will have power, but it's an own individual unit for homeless. There's also a \$500,000 RFP that'll go out for, I believe, for the operation of some of these sites. But it was really driven by a church community that they call themselves in our backyard. And what they want to do is set up small shelters at the church to house three to five in that range of homeless. Again, try to distribute the problem and tackle it as a whole.

Speaker 2: It's a real nice initiative and I honestly, I've visited one in Santa Barbara, California by a company called Dignity Moves. And it was fantastic. I mean the people there had task chores, pride, ownership started maintaining the facility. They had onsite water showers, laundry, really a nice step from being homeless to that house that they need and helps get some of the habits in place. And it answered that shelter particular answered. What I look at is would I live next to it? Yes I would. And would I go to it if I needed to? Absolutely. It was really impressive and it's a higher functioning of homeless that make that step as well. We also passed AO 20 24 55 with some modifications that reduced the standard from 15 days for abatement to 10 days as well as set up some boundary conditions around where prioritizing abatement. So again, trying to clean our

city back up for tourism season and take back some of our areas. We also passed an AR for the Ship Creek small boat launch. The port of Anchorage will take care of it this year and in the future we're looking for a new way to do it other than the port so the port funds can go to the port itself. And I think I will stop there and open it up for any questions.

Speaker 1: Questions. I guess I just had a question about in our backyard that's really interesting. I've seen something similar to that in the Seattle area where I'm originally from and they had bigger groups of homeless people that were living at the church and then the church had to be on a bus line, but they had some kind of organization there that the homeless people were required to meet certain standards and they had a tent community and they had a centralized kitchen and they would move it every three months. So it would be at a church in the back parking lot or somewhere that was a church that was willing to do it and then every three months they would move it to a different part of town. And that's something I've seen and it worked really well. But you're saying this is for three to five individuals homeless to be living in one of these dwellings, the portable dwellings,

Speaker 2: That's their idea, not to set up a large camp, just a feud. Dwellings, they're looking at having 'em for roughly, we didn't really limit the time on 'em. So about two to three years is what they said is how long they'd like to try this program. And I'll say though, the one that I've visited, the only thing that I didn't like and they're very proud of is originally they only allowed residents that lived there six months and they had passed a change to make it a year and a half, which in a way kind of defeats the purpose. But again, it was really impressive. I won't say you cherry pick your candidates, but you want candidates that aren't users closer to that step to going back into society. And they had at this one, they said no more than 25 to 30 residents was ideal. They had onsite offices for medical counseling, behavioral counseling, counseling, and they had 24 hour security as well with cameras. So it's a new step that's proven successful elsewhere. We will see how it goes. And really what I look at is places like Girdwood and Girdwood has sort of a working homeless problem. If you've been down to Girdwood, and this may be along with I said Girdwood every now and then a rig camp or something that's for sale up north, that might be something to solve again for two to three years, their workforce housing issue because Goodwood's a resort community and typical reason doesn't seem to apply there anymore.

Speaker 1: Does anyone else have any questions for our South Anchorage assembly member? Randy s sot? I guess I just had one other question and that would be, what is your sense of the will of the body passing the home initiative? And can you just kind of briefly go over what it entails? I know it's taking, the number of my understanding is that it's taking the number of residential zoning zones from 10 zones and reducing it to five and how that, I'm just curious how you think it might affect an area like Glen Alps?

Speaker 2: Yeah, it's going to be a slow change as any building code or land use change is, and you're right, I think it's more, it's like 17 or 15 zones down to five. And what they'll do is they'll take several zones to combine 'em and the less restrictive criteria will be applied. So let's say you have a five foot setback and a 10 foot setback. The five foot setback

would prevail for all three or all three that are combined. And they would make one, and I'm not necessarily against the idea. The idea is basically infill development. And that goes to, we had a presentation last summer where you look at a core development in the downtown and you might have a high rise and eight businesses and a block that are served by water sewer waste, let's say 200 feet of utility lines. And that has a cost.

Speaker 2: And then when you go to what we started doing in the eighties and nineties, now you have that same block with McDonald's on it. So the same cost for utilities but one business. And as that urban sprawl grows, that eventually hits a point where the city just can't support that much infrastructure. So really what they want is the infill where the utilities already exist. They didn't say that very well. They rolled us out pretty poorly in my opinion. And then also they were skipping the planning and zoning review planning and zoning, which planning and zoning has put forward their opinion on this. The other thing is the municipal lawyer opinion is that this is a rezone and in order for it to be a rezone, you have to be notified that's not in this initiative. So essentially someone in the assembly can make changes to your property.

Speaker 2: Let's say I have a five foot side setback, if it went to zero, I could then bill right up to the property line and I guarantee my neighbor here would not be happy. But no one's going to get a notification that that change happens like you would for a typical rezoning request. AO 2024 dash 45 also changes how the process can be enacted to where a single assembly member can make these rezoning changes. So again, for me, the home initiative, it's really about they need to follow the process, follow the land use plans that have been developed. And if they go back and do that, I think we'd be okay with it. The problem is they want to rush this through and I'm not sure why that is.

Speaker 3: Mark. Mark. So Randy, this is Mark June. How are you tonight, mark? Good, good. Hey, I know this was on the assembly agenda just this week and I attended the Planning and Zoning commission last week and was unfavorably surprised to see three assembly members hovering over the days to tell the planning and zoning commission what they should do and how the planning department was not their friend and needed to be their friend. And at the end of the day, the planning and zoning commission threw up their hands and did nothing. And I know it was on your agenda, but I couldn't tell what action you guys took at the end of the day.

Speaker 2: Yes, this is the one, this is AO 2024 dash 45 that we postponed to June 11th and then they reopened the public hearing primarily because an S version is out now.

Speaker 3: And that's been one of my issues with it is that every time that I think I understand what's pending, there's another version of the ordinance that's circulated and they bring it to the planning department and the planning department with the municipal attorney has an opinion letter that it's a rezone and the group of three assembly persons stand up and say, well, they have their own opinion. That's contrary to that, which under a best case scenario, that just gets you a lawsuit when you have two conflicting opinions and someone needs to decide who is right. And it is just a continually moving target that seems to have no good end.

Speaker 2: We run into conflict with the assembly legal opinion and the municipal legal opinion. They're opposed. I hear exactly what you're saying on things getting rushed through and now we're facing June, so a lot of this community councils are going to start taking breaks here. And that's a point of contention that this is going to pass when the community councils are on holiday for the summer. Again, it goes back to just trying to rush this thing through

Speaker 3: And one of the ways that it affects us up here in this neighborhood was at least at one point in time, passing the proposed legislation would remove all special limitations and it would also reduce the lot size and it would also provide, in addition to the A DU, the ability to have denser housing on lower lot sizes in an area in which people pride themselves, not pride themselves bought here in reliance upon a one dwelling unit per acre ratio.

Speaker 2: So as part of this Eagle River and Girdwood are exempt because they have their own zoning code, rabbit Cree Calo, John Wellton have all been putting out papers and ideas on amendments to it. I proposed that they also initiated was exempting. I think it was basically well in septic and I haven't heard, I proposed that to the authors. I haven't heard anything back from them. And then Robbie, you kind of asked, in my opinion, this probably has the votes to pass with incoming mayor LA France being from South Anchorage. I hope she will maybe sway some to not pass it or maybe even veto it. If she were to veto it, it would not have the votes to override the veto.

Speaker 3: It was an amazing scene to see three assembly members standing up in the face of the planning and zoning commission and telling them what they needed to do. And when the planning and zoning commission had a question, what you would then hear is an extended, what I'm going to politely call a word salad speech from each of the three assembly persons.

Speaker 2: And that's the new development where assembly, I think basically laid out the process where we're allowed to go to planning and zoning commission meetings and things like that. And it's basically your boss giving you a strong opinion on what you should do as an independent body. And planning and zoning commission has said pretty much that and I don't think there are fans of this idea.

Speaker 3: Yeah, well exactly. I mean I was just amazed and sometimes I'm hard to be amazed.

Speaker 1: Yeah, I'm a little confused. Isn't the planning and zoning commission, they have jurisdiction over zoning and the number of zones that exists and I don't how Right. The assembly must approve what? Okay. Yeah. Okay.

Speaker 3: It was an exercise in intimidation I guess would be the best way to characterize it.

Speaker 1: I see. So they're basically telling the planning and zoning commission, this is what we want to see you do. We're going, that's what we want to approve, so please make it. But doesn't the planning and zoning commission need to present it as their idea first and then the assembly approves that?

Speaker 3: I don't know, but I suspect that the way this goes is it gets kicked around and it gets kicked around and then someone says, what about this? And the response from the band of three is to say, well, we've talked about that before and it's been resolved now moved on. And the response from the three assembly members is to say, well listen, you raised your objections and we got it through the planning department, so now your objection or your issue has been resolved. And so it is a complicated process. No one suggested, and I know that Randy will agree with this, that legislating is a tidy affair, but it was pretty amazing seeing the three have their five or 10 minute rebuttal period turn into an hour long discussion as to what needed to be done and why.

Speaker 2: Yeah. And the way code, I read the code and the way that they're changing it is as you initiate planning changes, you don't make the planning change. So if I want to take 17 zones and make it five, I would go to planning and zoning and say, Hey, here's what we would like to see happen. You go away and make it happen because the experts, and we're bypassing that where you have legislators, which very few of us have any kind of planning, real estate construction background to be intelligent in this space. And we saw that with good intentions when we did the three fourplex, when we made some unintended consequences that have shut some projects down and we had to pass sort of emergency orders to fix some of the mistakes.

Speaker 3: This is a neighborhood that's had several zoning and platting disputes and they have resulted in outcomes that not everyone's been happy with 100%, but with the imposition of special limitations and at least some changes to make there be a balance between the applicants and the residents to maintain the neighborhood. And that seems to go out the window in the versions of this legislation that I've seen. And I guess the biggest shift in the paradigm, Randy, is they describe the home initiative as a zoning by as opposed to the existing system, which is you come into our neighborhood, you apply and you go on from there. And then 2045 has a provision in it in which the assembly not only can act on their own, but they're not required to follow the six criteria for rezoning that sit out in the code. So just it, and we've talked about this before. To me it's bad government and I don't say that lightly.

Speaker 2: Yeah. This is one where the assembly during, while I've been there, been on there just has slowly grabbed power. This is one where they're grabbing power over planning and zoning. We're seeing it over the OC in a dam and reservoir where the assembly is inserting itself into that space. Hey, I'm ambivalent. Sure, I want to put fish back in the river, but I certainly don't want to talk about diminishing the capacity of the hydroelectric dam given the current state of cooking the gas. It's just the timing's all wrong.

Speaker 3: Yeah, that's a whole different can of worms. But I think the point that you're making is the three assembly members are essentially making what was Mayor Bronson's case against the assembly in general.

Speaker 2: Yep.

Speaker 3: Yeah, I talked too long and thank you for listening to me

Speaker 4: Briefly. I'm brand new here. What would be the impact of this to this neighborhood potentially?

Speaker 3: Well, as I read the ordinance, it would be lower lot sizes. As I read the ordinance, it would be the cancellation of special limitations and it would create the ability for someone to go to the assembly as step one and say, this is what we want to do. And if they had enough assembly votes, they could do it. It becomes more worrisome when you talk about the power when the assembly goes, well, not everyone might agree to this, so we're we're going to exclude Chevy Chase and Georgetown. And I guess it's hard to say a specific thing because we're talking in hypotheticals, but if you have a process and you have a good process, you hope you'll get a good result. And this changes the process dramatically. I, and I think that the sum up is we go from a permitted use, tell us what you're going to do and we'll tell you whether it's okay system to a zoning by right system, which becomes a, well, it's my land, I'm going to do it with what you want. And if you're new to the neighborhood, you probably noticed and don't realize what it is, the gravel pit, an upper spin blood. And before we had zoning, you could have a gravel pit next to you because the person could do whatever they wanted with their land. So I mean that's just a gross generalization, but I think that gives you the flavor as to why

Speaker 1: We have serious runoff issues obviously in our neighborhood. And so the more dense the housing, the higher the issues with water we'll have for sure.

Speaker 3: So if you're a fan of central planning light wood, you say, well, it's a good system if you're saying, no, no, no one size doesn't fit all. You can't plan this amongst well people and have it work. You say, well wait a minute. Well

Speaker 4: We bought in this neighborhood because we didn't want to be living on top of somebody or someone

Speaker 3: I talking about you bought in Reliance on the existing zoning plan, right? You bought in Reliance that you could look at the zoning map and say that the lots would be an acre, an acre and a half. And so you have a lot of property owners that have bought and reliance on a zoning system. And so suddenly someone came to you and said, I know you've looked into this, I've known you've been diligent, but please disregard everything you've ever heard before because we're going to do it our way and this way is better. So that's why it's not that you can't change things, it's just that you need to think before, you don't want to make tomorrow's mistakes today,

Speaker 1: We need administrative process. We to, it takes that away from us and our ability to go through an administrative resolution. Yeah,

Speaker 3: I can think of four examples off the top of my head, Robin, you could probably add a couple more. Yeah.

Speaker 2: The goal of home is we need more housing. Home is housing opportunities in the municipality for everyone, not a bad idea. Infill development, it makes sense in the core, it makes sense in Midtown, it makes sense in certain areas. Again, you got to follow the

process. It probably doesn't make sense on the Hill side where you're really limited by well and septic and you're there for a certain reason. And honestly, our biggest challenge to building homes is the extent or the reach of our utilities. And I'm not talking about bringing utilities up the hillside in the core in Midtown. There are places that'll shock you if you go by Aou that are on well in septic that don't have water and waste. And what that does is you might have two one acre lots that are on well in septic and they can support a single family home. If I could get utilities to it, I could put an plex on each property, but no one's ever going to do that because the cost to do that's too high. So that's really what we've got to tackle is how do you get well and septic to these lots in the core of the city that aren't well and septic and

Speaker 2: Or whatever.

Speaker 3: And in fairness, the literature on the zoning by right is mixed on whether it actually creates more housing and more affordable housing. Because a big factor in the construction of housing is the cost of construction materials as opposed to the cost of land.

Speaker 2: Well

Speaker 3: And things like that.

Speaker 2: I'm conscious of time because I know it is gone on for a while and you guys have a lot on the agenda tonight, but again, June 11th is the next time for the hearing.

Speaker 1: Thanks for showing up. Appreciate it. Appreciate it, Randy. Thank you. Alright. Okay. Alright. So after that, moving on the Treasurer's report, we don't have a treasury and old business, the Mills subdivision, my initials are next to that. So the Mills subdivision is a planning action that was approved and for a three, lots to be divided on what's known as the Mills property, which is to the south of the Lewis and Clark property, which is all one large homestead homestead by the same man. And it was approved to which included attempting to appropriate my land, Carol Ash Lock's Land and Bonnie k Husky and Frank Cook's land to our north to use the road known as Bonnie Lane and 33 feet on our property claiming the section line easement. I appealed it as did my two other neighbors to the board of adjustment. We won substantial, there was substantial error, there was procedural error.

Speaker 1: We won on that point. We also tried to appeal based on them not holding the same criteria to this subdivision as they did to the whole quester the Canyon View subdivision, asking for a 200 foot setback for construction south of north of Rabbit Creek, a 100 foot easement on the other side of Rabbit Creek and a couple of other things. And for more review as well as Canyon View has not had a water course mapping survey in the three years since they claimed it would happen, been and kicked it down the road. And so we were asking for that. That did not get approved by the Board of Adjustment. However, the error that was made was an error where they did not include our testimony from my lawyer Bill Falsy in the original meeting. And so it was kicked back, there was a

substantive error, it was remanded back to the platting board and we won at the platting board.

Speaker 1: They voted on two questions. The first, is there a section line easement on Bonnie Lane? No, there's not that failed. And we were ready to take it to Superior Court. Nevertheless, it failed. In addition, do the mills have a legal access and legal access is defined as 30 foot or wider access if they didn't have a section line easement, if they didn't take the land from us. And that also failed. And as a result of that, the entire plat failed. And so now they have to go back to the drawing board, but we feel secure in our position and hopefully that has been put to rest so we don't have to bring it to where we're prepared to bring it to. And so it was a win on our part. I believe maybe according to March, June, it was the first time that the platting board at one point had denied a plat in 25 years.

Speaker 1: So yeah, they always approved, they're always affirmative with restrictions. So yeah, it's a rid of a rubber stamp unfortunately. So we were expecting to lose. Again, I will say that planning staff really did a disservice to us and to the mills as well and their really just unprofessional handling of this, assuming that it was going to be a Rover stamp again. And it wasn't a satisfying win in a lot of ways. Mrs. Mills passed away in January and I have a neighborly relationship with them and it wasn't the way that we had hoped that they would go about it and not the way that we asked them to go about it. And we attempted to go about it differently. So yeah, that's the end of it is for now. And they have 30 days from that last meeting to appeal to the board of adjustment or submit a new plat.

Speaker 1: And so any questions on that? Any comments? And then moving on to Canyon View Estate subdivision update. Greg, I'll let you update. So I do want to mention also that the Canyon View Estate subdivision, we has been an ongoing thing and there has been appeals that Greg will talk about in our minutes, in our prior minutes and in our prior agendas, which are on the community councils.org website. You can find some information about that, some resolutions that we made regarding it and the process. So great. Yeah, so the Canyon View Estate's subdivision was approved by the Platting board, obviously and their building. So for a time Joan Priestley, myself and Tom Burke were party to an appeal to the Board of Adjustment and we were denied, but then it got appealed again to the Alaska Superior Court. And Joan Priestley has really been the, she's been the one filing all the briefs, doing all the legwork for it and she's really diligent about it.

Speaker 1: I just try to help out. But so she did win some substantial, in some substantial way at the Superior Court to kick it back to the Board of Adjustment. And it was based on a timeliness thing that was our whole case was about that. We didn't meet the timelines, we were confused about things. And so while the subdivision is built, it's still in legal process and it's going back to the Board of Adjustment. And really our biggest point of contention with the approval of the whole plat was that we didn't think it was fair that the whole plat was basically approved prior to any public input and it was approved by the planning director. So she met with the developer before they even broke around at all, and she basically approved that there would be driveways directly onto the

collector, which is Canyon Road. And that was an exception to what the law allows, the code allows.

Speaker 1: And so with that being done, they never even presented a plat that had interior roads basically coming off of the collector, which is what we believe they should have done. So this body, we drafted resolution to the assembly to try to change that part of the code. That still allows the planning director, director to make basically an exception to code. And if the planning director agrees to allow driveways directly onto a collector, it can do so. And we thought it was now fair. We thought, okay, that would work for just one home. But she was able to do that for the whole subdivision with the stroke of a pen and before any public input before we even heard before it was ever heard before the platting board or it's a lot like the Home Initiative. Sounds a lot like that. Yeah, yeah. Well anyway, so it's still in process.

Speaker 1: I believe it's still, Joan knows way more about it than I do, but she's not here tonight. I forgot to, I can't remember. We emailed. Yeah, we emailed her. But anyway, there is a person who lives right in our neighborhood who knows all about it if you're interested or any of the other neighbors are interested in knowing about it. And it goes into drainage issues and why it's not a good idea to have driveways directly onto a collector. And that's the reason why the driveways, all the driveways have a turnaround at the top of them because that was kind of the way that they tried to ameliorate it was saying, well, the cars will drive out forward so they can back up. But I was like, but it could just be park your boat there and then you are going to back out onto a collector.

Speaker 1: So the idea is that people will drive forward out onto Canyon Road, which does get busy in the summertime. On any nice day it's going to be very, very busy. So anyway, that's about it as far as I can tell you, it's still in process. Okay. Moving on to new business. Greg also is on the Garza or the Glen Alps Roads Service Area Board or the Board of Supervisors as it's termed I believe so Greg, you want to talk about the last Garza meeting? Sure. So we met last week, Thursday right here, the Glen Ops Road service area has a different boundary than the Ops Community Council. It's a much bigger area. It includes all the way down to D Armand Road all the way down to Hillside Drive and Huffman Road from Hillside Drive uphill, everything south of Huffman. Actually, no, it doesn't even include, there's a couple roads that doesn't include.

Speaker 1: Anyway, it's got different boundaries than our community council, but I'm on that board as well. And we have approved at that meeting somewhere around \$360,000 worth of work. This summer we had 140,000 leftover from a state grant that paid Canyon Road initially. That was about five years ago. We still had some money leftover. And so that \$140,000 is going to be going to taking away a dangerous curve on Glen Alps Road improving it. And then also it's going to part of that Toilsome Hill Road above the hairpin is kind of sloughing off where the guardrail is. So that part's going to be patched. In addition to that, we approved to have a contractor, Brown's company, Todd Brownson. His company is going to be, we approved 160,000 for him to resurface Cox Road completely from Hillside Drive up to Messenia. We're going to do four projects on upper Demin to improve it because everybody knows it's in really, really rough shape. Terrible. But we'll get back to that. We're also going to be doing, there's two Culbert repairs on

Echo Canyon that are going to be done this summer. It's on the list. We're going to be doing some reclamation work, pavement reclamation on several roads, including Benjamin and Naer and Gene Road below Talisman.

Speaker 1: What else? Oh, also, we're going to be doing some repair work on upper lower spend Love where View Heights turns into spend, love that intersection, that area right there is in really rough shape and going to fix that. And yeah, I think one of the big questions is what's when would, so Proposition nine for Upper Canyon, I guess that's what we want to call it, when does that start taking place? I believe that's slated to take place next year. That was, we had \$4 million approved by the voters of Anchorage, the two access service area that was approved last year in April, we got our first bond passed. I was really pleasantly surprised about that. So that's going to be improving the road between Echo Canyon and the end of the road. The park entrance actually slightly shy of the park entrance and then the state has an additional \$2 million. The DNR got matching funds from a letter. We helped push the process to get those matching funds. I think it was a federal match and a state contribution, something to the tune of \$2 million I believe that is going to be for creating a 95 space parking area at the end of, or the flat top Sunnyside slash Rabbit Lake Trailhead. It'll finally be built with a turnaround and two lane, two bi-directional traffic of the road up there. So that'll be a huge improvement.

Speaker 4: And that'll be up at the second gate?

Speaker 1: Yes.

Speaker 1: A big part of the reason. So where the second gate is, that'll be the end of it and it'll be back toward, so from there, back toward the sunny side of flat top trailhead, it's going to be a cut and fill, really basic. I think it's going to be even gravel, gravel lot. And yeah, that's what \$2 million will get you nowadays I guess. But they do already have a plan in place to create a phase two in the future that would be beyond that, further toward Rabbit Lake where there's another kind of a gentle grade and then it becomes kind of a flattish area. So to extend that parking area, because that's the big culvert, they have to go over the creek or whatever. There's that streamy kind of get away through this time of year.

Speaker 3: They also also have 1.7 million in the capital budget for upper deman. But that's waiting to see whether the governor exercises his red pen.

Speaker 1: And we're going to get to that too. We have a resolution we are hoping to vote on tonight for. Okay. Alright. Thanks very. So any questions about other things going on with the road? One

Speaker 4: Question. Yeah, Dale Dolan, has anybody considered just stripping up all the wrap on upper diarmnt and make this a gravel road until all of this construction is completed so that we don't really waste any money on pavement or other things and they could run it greater up and down that thing once a week and have it in better shape than it is now? Has anybody talked about that?

Speaker 1: We have not talked about that. No. But I think a lot of the reason is we are part of our plan. We'll talk about, we can actually really get right to it. I wrote a resolution, draft resolution that we can vote on tonight, and it's basically we want upper Diarment to be added to next year's CASA Bond to be voted on by the citizens of Anchorage for up to \$4 million if the mayor vetoes it. I mean if the governor vetoes the 1.7 million that the state legisla legislature already appropriated or approved, we believe that it would cost. Maybe I've heard a ballpark figure from granite at the road board meeting that they talked about like 2.5 million would be enough to do the drainage and resurfacing of upper Deon. How much? That was a ballpark, so you can't pin it down. It was 2.5 million for a mile. Yeah. Years ago we had an estimate from our old contractor Western that he could do it for \$650,000 or something like that. But I guess that was five years ago. Anyway, he didn't really work out and fulfill his commitments to our road. That's why there's the mess at the end of Canyon Road right now. That was something considering all John Light equipment

Speaker 4: That's going to continue to be running up and down. Yeah, canyon View is only one third built out, so it's just going to continue to deteriorate. And to me that wrap could just be grind that stuff up and let's make it a gravel rope, calcium chloride on it to hold down the dust and just keep a grater going up and down that thing.

Speaker 1: Well, for that really bad patch that's gravel, it's helped it. They got to come back and redo it again. But they've already done it once this year I guess. Yeah. So I always like just a couple

Speaker 4: Guys out there throwing shovel poles. I want to see a dump truck pull this material to be spread.

Speaker 1: When the restrictions come off. You might see more unless you're Todd and you can just, so our four projects for upper Deon are to fix the big dip by Midori. That's going to be one of the things that's done. The two sections that are gravel right now, those are going to be redone. And I was telling 'em plan on doing it at least twice this year. It's going to continue to deteriorate. But they're going, I don't know exactly, they're going to grade it and bring more material in and compact it, maybe chip seal it. Maybe they're going to bring, I think they're going to bring in wrap because we have a really good, they have a really good deal on wrap or something like that. My understanding is, and then the crack that's beyond Patrick there, as you're driving up the hill and you pass Patrick and Michael and you go about a hundred yards further up the hill, there's a huge crack.

Speaker 1: We're going to deal with that this year and fix that. So these band-aids we're throwing at it are insufficient and we know that and the road is going to get worse. And then here's the bigger picture is that as we get hundreds and hundreds of people a day in the summer driving up that road and complaining about it, they realize that it's a huge problem. And our annual budget for the whole road service area to do maintenance and everything, you know how much that is, right? It's about 300, 400,000. So we don't have, even if we saved a chunk of that and we didn't do any maintenance or anything or snow removal or anything, it would still take us years and years and years to save enough money to redo upper Deon. So that's why we are asking the assembly to include

it, the whole chunk, the whole enchilada to create a bond that all the citizens of Anchorage should pay for.

Speaker 1: Because we are only 5% at most of the traffic on Upper de Armon. It's all the park users and it'll continue to be that way. And we pay for all the maintenance and upgrades and it's not fair. And that's why CASA was created. And I'm so glad the citizens of Anchorage voted and said, yeah, that doesn't seem fair. That's not right. And they voted to pass by a pretty good margin to create the money for Echo. But Upper Deon serves a much greater number of people and it's in way worse shape. So my hope is that it will go on next year's CAA bond to redo all of upper D. And that's why we're bandaging it now because that's something we can afford as a community. And it's kind of sad, but it hasn't been paved since 1987.

Speaker 4: That's right. And their job with Make in the first

Speaker 1: Place and they didn't have Ty par back then, so there's no Ty par on it. That's why it's,

Speaker 4: And to me it's like strip up the wrap, let's get the asphalt up and make it a gravel road for one mile while all this construction happens. So you're not patching here, patching here, patching there. Just run the grater up and down.

Speaker 1: I'll propose it at the next meeting and see if we can get a cost

Speaker 4: The desk and done with it until they aren't finished filling out those subdivisions. And the park. And the park.

Speaker 3: The irony is the same three assembly members that favor this home initiative, when it came to CASA hearings originally there was a request to make upper Dement be part of the bond. Oh yeah. They posed that. They opposed it and they succeeded. And their reasoning was, well we don't pay money into our side, the road district for the Anchorage and that upper de Armon, because it's further from the park, doesn't provide access to the park. In other words, further you are from the park, the thinner the nexus is to park.

Speaker 5: How are people going to park up there?

Speaker 3: I'm just reporting the reasoning.

Speaker 1: He said that we were asking them to be our sugar daddy is what I believe that Constance said. Yeah, Chris. Yeah.

Speaker 3: Well that was Chris constant.

Speaker 1: He isn't part of Oh, he is not part of those three. Okay.

Speaker 3: But he's outspoken.

Speaker 1: Yeah. Luckily his measure failed that he maneuvered us on

Speaker 5: Rent those up people that can't get it to the park.

Speaker 1: Okay. So I'd like to read this resolution. I kind of hastily drafted it, so I appreciate anybody's input on this resolution. Supporting pursuit of funding for upgrading upper Deon road. Whereas Upper Deon Road is full of potholes, dips and cracks due to years of use and poor drainage. Whereas two Garza, Glen Elch road service area steadily work with the contractor to maintain the base road surface with regular repairing crack ceiling and grading. This has proven over decades to be insufficient. Three Garza with an annual maintenance and repair budget of roughly 250,000 doesn't have the money or savings to fund the upgrades that are necessary. Four, A great deal of the vehicular traffic uses upper d Armon Road to access to gas state park, mainly Anchorage residents who don't share our tax burden in paying for private maintenance and upgrades. Voting members of the GACC resolved that the Anchorage assembly include up to \$4 million for engineered upgrades to the drainage and resurfacing of Upward de Armon road in the upcoming CASA bond. Rob Brown. So is there a motion to approve? That's what I was, we have a motion to approve and then we discuss or we can discuss it. Yeah, I think we motion to approve and then we discuss or we have open comment first. Yeah, right. That's what we have. So yeah,

Speaker 3: Go

Speaker 1: For it. Yeah,

Speaker 5: Of course. I'm Bonnie. I think an important point is just the safety component of maintaining upper dairymen for the whole neighborhood. If it completely fails, then nobody can safely get to town. If there were a fire or some form an emergency, it's not too far off from just failing entirely towards imp,

Speaker 3: You would say it's unsafe today.

Speaker 5: It definitely is type today,

Speaker 3: But it's for someone driving 40 miles an hour

Speaker 5: And going into the peak traffic counts for the summertime of all the people coming to the park, that's just going to very quickly progress the failure of the already existing failure, the road

Speaker 3: Service, the stronger statement is it presents a comp and safety hazard, the local

Speaker 5: Resident, it already is a health and safety.

Speaker 3: But I mean that's what you're suggesting to

Speaker 5: Put in there. Yeah. Because I think that incentivizes them to say, as a government, one of the biggest requirements that you owe to your citizens is safety and wellbeing and this is a direct threat. It's only going to get worse.

Speaker 1: Thanks for bringing that up.

Speaker 5: But I think putting it as a threat to safety is a whole different level to me. If I ever

Speaker 1: Yeah, I'm going to add that on for sure. That's a really good point. Thank you. That's just what I needed. And

Speaker 5: Also the question I had was the language is just requesting that they give up to \$4 million the dollar. Is there a way to say put a minimum on it? I don't know. And I know the greater the number of minimum you're asking for, the more likely that they would say no. But

Speaker 1: We have a

Speaker 5: Minimum. I don't know the answer to that.

Speaker 1: So right now the legislature is approved 1.7 million for the road, but the governor can say, Kathy Geel, you screwed me on this. So no, you don't have that. So zero just with a stroke of a pen. We'll know by July 20th I believe it is. Something like that. If he does nothing then it passes. Then we have the 1.7 million, then we just need an additional, yeah, maybe less than a million

Speaker 5: Get to four

Speaker 1: Or 2.3 to get to four. But if he vetoes it, then we need the whole, we're asking the assembly to approve the whole chunk of money and the high end was \$4 million. So that's why I included it that way. It's always better to have a moonshot it seems like. Yeah. And these things and you adjust. Yeah, I mean if we had 4 million, maybe we could include a bike lane or a pedestrian lane of some kind. I mean I don't think the right of way is wide enough to include that. That's my understanding and that's why it doesn't exist. But there are so many people that walked upper, the Armon Road, Lewis and Clark has already agreed that they would give it though. I thought they would. I thought so. Some time ago he did. Okay. Interesting. So yeah, I mean that would be great. I would love that because hillside's already totally bikeable, plenty wide and upper Deon. That's kind of what we're going to as a city, more and more smart planning. So I think it's smart. I

Speaker 5: Guess the only other thing is you're talking about you have an annual maintenance and repair budget of roughly 250,000. You're asking for money for a one mile section for improvements. I don't know if it would help the case a little bit to say that our entire budget is 250,000, but that's to maintain however many lane miles throughout the

Speaker 1: Service area. Okay. 16, right? Or what is it? What do you got? I dunno.

Speaker 5: Say we're 16 miles, lane miles would be 32 you

Speaker 1: Lane miles. Yeah. You wanted to show how far

Speaker 5: The 50,000 miles needs to stretch a way to say if we have 32 lane miles, we need improvements to two lane miles that are estimated to cost up to 4 million. There's no way we're ever going to be able to maintain this road. It's already a safety hazard for the neighborhood. It's going to fail at an increasing rate as you have all these big trucks coming up to do the park improvements next year.

Speaker 1: Oh yeah. Not to mention, I believe that they've exceeded the weight requirements. Oh sure. In the last few months because nobody's reporting on are full wheel. What does that do? Makes

Speaker 5: It feel

Speaker 1: Faster

Speaker 5: When there's a pothole and they're going edge.

Speaker 1: I agree. I fully agree. I like that idea. Just put a note there. But lane miles improve this to show the high amount. I like that

Speaker 5: Because it's really saying it's overburdened our board. There's no way we're ever going to be able to keep up with that.

Speaker 1: Awesome. Okay. Well anything else as far as comment? Okay. Well I make a motion to approve this letter as amended here and then email it out to GAR and assembly members. Is that right? Yeah. And as well as our Glen Ops community council email list. Is anyone second that motion I'll it? Okay. We both. Alright, well then all in favor, just raise your hand. All right. Motion passes. Alright, great. And moving on, Adam, Adam Robinson is one of our Echo Canyon neighbors. I'm going to ask him to unmute. He's at a wild, crazy high school party as he's a high school teacher and he's at the end of year party. Adam, are you there?

Speaker 6: I am. Hi. Yeah, it's our end of the year staff party, so

Speaker 1: Oh, staff party. Yeah.

Speaker 6: Yeah. There's not a single teenager in sight, thank goodness. Including my own. Good. Yeah. Hi everybody. I was looking around. I recognize some of y'all's voices and some of y'all's faces. What I have is kind of purely in the PowerPoint format and I can do my best to describe, but it might require some visualization skills on your end if you can't see. Okay.

Speaker 1: Yeah, give me a minute. I'm going to get on here so that everyone can see what's going on.

Speaker 6: Very cool.

Speaker 1: So I'm going to try to stretch this without breaking this super expensive thing. Nice.

Speaker 6: And I will be you guys basically this, am I driving the screen now?

Speaker 1: Yeah, you are.

Speaker 6: Okay, cool. Alright, so everybody knows section 36, right? It's kind of like Glen Alps adjacent. I am really here as just kind of a very, very high elevation. This is just kind of a heads up. I might seek a letter of, what is it? Sorry,

Speaker 1: A resolution.

Speaker 6: Yeah, brain fart right now. Yeah, letter resolution from y'all. But it's honestly, it's a Rabbit Creek and Bear Valley Community Council that I would really need that from. So this is me just kind of like, I don't know, practicing my presentation skills.

Speaker 1: Well, we have bought it, so we didn't have a pretty good interest in it. Section 36 is where that is Section 36 Park. So as you go, I guess Adam, he's got a map or, so

Speaker 6: I've got the map here and I think you can see my cursor. Here's the road to the telecom. This is Clark's Road that flows through the whole thing. This is very truncated presentation because I have a different presentation that shows what the master plan looks like and all this stuff. But we're basically, the master plan was built up about, I think it was 12 years ago. I could drop the link in the chat if anybody wants. But seeing how I'm the only one on Zoom.

Speaker 6: So the western border of section 36 is over here. And you can see Bear Valley Elementary is over here on the far lower left. And then Stork Park is over here on the far kind of middle left that comes into play later. This little squiggly line through here, if you follow my cursor, is the driveway up to the two residences that live up on the east of the park up here. Single track advocates. We've built between 40 and 50 miles of trails in town. We've built from Hemlock Burn, we've built all the way through phase one and phase two of Hillside. And we built to the south side and the north side of Kincade. We built some trails in, well, we've consulted on trails throughout the city. And what we would like to do is kind of, well this project in my vision is to stop making as many easy trails and to focus on much more difficult technical, demanding trails.

Speaker 6: So in that regard, it would offer a much more back country and kind of a, I don't know, they would be sustainably built. But what we would try and do is emphasize views and solitude for the users. And we've talked to some of the landowners around there and they're pretty interested in that idea. We would be making accessibility for everybody. We would be making the lower trails be great for year round use for classic skiing and for fat biking and for maybe people that are seeking an easier bike trail. But I feel like if you've been on our single track advocates trails, that we build pretty high quality trails, pretty safe trails, but we've built largely very easy trails and we've been eclipsed by the

rest of the world. The rest of the world builds much more difficult trails than what we have. And so I would like to address that with this project that's going to play a few things into my presentation later on.

Speaker 6: What I'm proposing is that we access section 36 via Stork Park. That would be our parking lot. We talked to Parks and Rec a few years ago about putting a driveway off of Hillside Drive on that nice long straightaway on the northwest corner of section 36. And they said, well, basically every new parking lot has to be paved and every new parking lot would have to be accessible 12 months a year. So it'd have to be lit. And then every new parking lot that is being built would basically need to have a pit toilet. And so what turned into a couple hundred thousand dollars of volunteer donations turned into \$5 million and a bond issue and all this stuff. And so it blew me out of the water. So what we're now thinking we're going to do is go from Stork Park and we would build a bridge or some kind of an access over the wetlands and access section 36 from there.

Speaker 6: And then we would build a pedestrian crossing on Clarks Road, right by, what is it? Hoskins Road? Hoskin. Yeah. Yeah, Hoskin. Thank you. We would use that existing infrastructure and build a crosswalk there where the speeds are starting to slow down from the local resident users. On Clarks Road, it would be real similar to this image. On the right here is the image that we have from Raspberry Road in Kincaid. And so it's a very pedestrian and bicycle friendly. And we are talking about doing the same thing on Clark's Road. Admittedly, the speed limits are higher there, but this is the best I've got so far. And then from there we would access the, this map should show all of this over here where my cursor is the stork park parking lot and we would cross on this red bridge over the wetlands. And then we would use this yellow trail as kind of the crossing of Clark's Road, admittedly over here by Hoskin. So that even that's changed since this map was drawn. This is a purely conceptual map. There's nothing definite here.

Speaker 6: Some of the appeals here are that this orange loop on the south would be excellent for wide open, easy trail, easy to classic ski fat bike in the winter mountain bike with kids, walk it, dog walk, birding, you name it in the summer. And if the residents of Bear Valley and the Bear Valley Elementary staff and a SD wanted to get together with it, I've already talked to Chris Del, who's the PE teacher there, and he expressed a lot of interest in connecting the school to a trail over here and getting their PE program out on that trail and getting science classes out on that trail and getting their Bear Valley 5K out on that trail and really utilizing that infrastructure. They've already expressed tons of interest in that. And again, this would be easy, this orange would be easy, and then we would use this yellow to cross the road and then it would basically climb and then it would climb up this green. And then this blue would be a climbing trail up to the high point, which is on the far right up here. Sorry.

Speaker 7: No, it's just feedback. There's people in the hallway

Speaker 6: And so the black line is the driveway that I mentioned before and that is Marcus and Svia and John and Trish live up there. And I talked to them this winter and they said they deliberated about it and stuff like that. And they said that as long as we do our best to keep bikes off of their road, because in the wintertime and even in the summertime, if

they're late for an appointment, they got kids screaming in the back and all that stuff. They're coming down that road and having bikers come up, it's just dangerous, it's narrow, it's steep, it's windy, it's not built for this. So I said, all right, we'll just make it off limits the best we can, so we'll sign the heck out of it and we'll try our best to make it so that this black line is just not accessible to bikes.

Speaker 6: And so under that understanding and under single track advocates' history, they said We will write you a letter of support. And I have that letter now, so that's excellent for us. The other thing is, is that on the north side here, what we would do is take advantage of this deep hemlock forest and I understand that there's a lot of wildlife in this area and we would make the trails as safe as possible. We would also make the trails as minimally invasive as possible. I'm envisioning all of these upper trails in the hemlock forest to be basically all hand built. They would be, we'll talk about that, right? The scope of a trail of this magnitude, they're a type three, no, they're a type one trail and it's all in the master plan, but the type one trail is a four foot bench with a six foot wide corridor that's like eight feet high.

Speaker 6: So if equestrian was on it, they wouldn't get knocked on the head with a branch. And then that four foot wide bench will then kind of grow back over to about a foot or a foot and a half of dirt that's actually exposed. And that's the way that you build them. So that keeps the water off and they're sustainable. So it's actually pretty minimally invasive. And so all these pink and purple and green trails, they would be one way trails that would go off the top to the north and then they would be caught up in this yellow loop. That would be a great trail for, again, winter use, skiing use and general just kind of multipurpose use. And that would then feed the mountain bikers back to the bottom and then they would climb up and do the ride again. So they would just do constant loops. Therefore, if all the traffic is going the same way, there's very little chance of user collisions and it lends to that solitary feeling when you're out there. Does anybody have any questions so far?

Speaker 8: No questions. I have some comments. I guess I have

Speaker 9: A question. Has the Nordic Ski Club been involved in this at all? They were the ones that originally wanted to layer up there.

Speaker 6: We brought the plan that we have to NSAA quite a few years ago and they said that they're just not interested. They're overextended with Kincade and Hillside as it is, and if they were to move into a new area, they would like to move into Arctic Valley because it's that much higher and therefore climate change resistant.

Speaker 9: So my second question though, is your lighting situation, are you going to light up that whole ridge?

Speaker 6: No, we have no intention of lighting anything

Speaker 8: Because the original master plan called for lights, if you remember it did had a 10 foot wide horse equestrian trail that cut across and it was lit on the ridge. And so this

property was originally slated to be, it was mental health land, mental health trust land. It was going to be 200 up to 220 houses. And then about nine years ago, I don't know, 10 years ago it got transferred, thank God to the parks or eventually got transferred to parks. And it is Anchorage's wildest park is what it's been deemed. And so keeping it as the wild in the wild as you kind of described, I think is great. It's a great idea and true to what we're looking for, especially I look at it and I love it and I watched the Black Bear Rub, its back on a telephone pole a couple days ago up there and it is very wild up there.

Speaker 8: And those hemlocks are just amazing. They're very special. Even they're facing north and yeah, they're very old hemlock forest up there. And so preserving that, the integrity of that forest would be great. Greg and I have hiked up there and it's really a special place. There is also at least a hundred foot of way that goes through there at some point. There's a master plan that if anyone ever improves the mills property, they have to build a very expensive road and on that side of the creek. And if they ever holquist land on the other side of the creek, if he ever improves it, it's a multimillion dollar road that they would have to build. So it's very that it would ever be improved. So utilizing it to actually use it would be great. I think right now Jen and Ian are the only ones that are using it occasionally, right? Oh, it's pretty thick for that. But yeah, it would actually be really great for Orienteering Club, which is really active in this town. So if you have SDA who's at least maintaining it and it's organized, it's going to stay a lot more organized than somebody that just volunteer different volunteer group. I think that's good.

Speaker 6: Yeah, I think our goal is to make something that is a quality product for the users and that ultimately kind increases the accessibility. And so that's where the stork park and the Bear Valley residents kind of brought up. There's not a lot of parking there sometimes as it is, stuff like that. And I said, that's not really my problem, that's on the Parks and Rec, but the nature of our trails being that this is going to be where trails are really tough, really difficult. I think that naturally filters a lot of the users to not come to this park. They can go to Hillside and CID if they don't want a truly challenging ride.

Speaker 8: And the park is one square mile, right? It's like a mile by a mile basically.

Speaker 6: And the master plan calls for 12 to 18 miles of trails total. And NSAA said no thank you. And the equestrians were not even available to talk. So the way that looks in my eyes is that single track advocates move some dirt around and scratches some paths relative to skate ski trail that's lit. What we're doing is minor as far as development.

Speaker 8: Yeah. Well thanks Adam. You got anything else? We're going to move on. Otherwise I think we would be happy to work with you to write a letter of support and our meetings are kind of few and far between the rest of the summer, but so let us know and be in touch. We can have an executive meeting and I think that I would just today just pass a resolution that we agree to cooperate with you all or try attempt to pass the resolution that we agree to cooperate with STA in the plan as proposed. And that might allow us at an executive meeting to write a letter or to help with a letter of support. Does sound good, Greg? Yeah, that sounds good. Okay. Alright, that'd be fantastic.

Speaker 6: Appreciate it.

Speaker 8: Yeah, that would free us up. So I would just make a motion that we as an executive board meet to form a letter in support of the STA involvement section 36 park as presented today. Want to second that?

Speaker 1: Yeah, I'll second.

Speaker 8: Okay. All right, everyone in favor of that? Alright, great. Okay, so that passes Adam. So yeah, it's just meet up with us one day and we can work on that when you get a little bit more developed.

Speaker 6: Yeah, thanks. Yeah, we've been talking to the Parks and Rec and they suggested coming to y'all. So I went to Glen, or sorry, I went to Bear Valley first and then Rabbit Creek and now you all. So honestly, they've been getting easier and easier. Good. Great. I appreciate Glenn S, you're doing good work and we need the voice that you all are working on, so thank you for your work.

Speaker 8: Tell that to the neighbors. Let's get 'em here.

Speaker 6: Yeah, yeah, myself included. Thanks a bunch actually,

Speaker 8: It's pretty informative. Yeah. Alright, take care. Enjoy your party. Alright, so that passes and we're running tight on time here, but I think that Greg, we're not too tight, but Greg, you've got this Firewise home inspection.

Speaker 1: Yeah, I wrote that down here. So the Muni has funded Firewise inspections where the Anchorage Fire Department will send somebody that is doing this professionally. They'll come to your house for free and they will do an assessment of your property and make recommendations to you. You can just sign up, go into this website. Another thing that, so there's a hillside, the Rabbit Creek Community Council has created a resilience committee and they have meetings for mainly talking about fire danger and they meet monthly. And I've gone to a few of their meetings. I went to their meeting on Monday and actually it is just all on Zoom, so it's really easy. So anybody can go to their meetings and we talk about everything associated with the wildfire danger. So we want to try to avoid any kind of situation like what happened in Lana or Paradise.

Speaker 1: So tonight I brought a map there that shows basically the kind of fuel loads that make the extremely dangerous fire. And what you'll see is that the lower part of our community council boundary Canyon Road is generally not, we don't have as much fuel load there that creates a dangerous situation. But in the Canyon View Estates properties near there, there is that kind of fuel that's ripe to burn really hot. And so it's something to look at. And then also there's an extreme fire danger for areas in Upper Glen Alps two. And so one thing we're also working on is to improve evacuation route planning. And one thing I forgot to mention with the road board is where Gene Road cuts up between Deon and Huffman, there's that cut, it's a single lane road. We talked extensively about putting some money into bringing in material and doing brushing on Gene Road at the road board meeting and that road goes on private property, but it could be considered a prescriptive easement because Gene Road has been around

longer than Thearon Road and it used to be the way to access our neighborhood Canyon Road, that little gene road.

Speaker 1: So back 50 years ago, that was the main route to get to our neighborhood. And so we have funding and we're putting money toward improving Gene Road. The first half of it between Talisman and Huffman, the property owner that has a problem with it is the first house and garage on Huffman there. Actually he's on either side of Gene Road, if you know where I'm talking about. It's off of Huffman, I think he's on this big beautiful home and his shop is on Gene Road. And so that owner does not want there to be any improvement on Gene Road. And so we're improving right up to his property this summer with brushing and grading and bringing in material. And so our hope is that we can negotiate with that property owner and get it a legal opinion from the city to do maintenance on it. Minimal maintenance, we're not going to widen it. We just want to brush it and make it passable so that if there is a situation or a wildfire, then it creates a second route for people either getting out of our neighborhood on Upper Deon or people coming down from Upper Glen Alps or Huffman.

Speaker 3: Is that a plattered road?

Speaker 1: It is.

Speaker 3: It's not. It's complicated.

Speaker 1: It's complicated

Speaker 3: String of emails that said that there was no right of way granted. And someone else came to me and said, well, it's on the section line, the bottom line. It is, as you know, it's easy for one property owner to say yes, get another property, your Honor to say no. And so they're looking to get an opinion from the overwork city attorney's office and they're hoping to an but I mean, so

Speaker 4: It is not that,

Speaker 3: I guess that was a longwinded way of saying, I don't know, but I did. The

Speaker 8: Man who's the no owns Continental Subaru. So you have a big No.

Speaker 3: Yeah. Oh, so Martin's? Yeah, Martin.

Speaker 8: Oh,

Speaker 1: Do you know, are you friends with him or Oh yeah. Okay. Yeah. So he doesn't want it to happen right now. And my understanding is that he would potentially be a yes if there were a gate installed. So that would limit people. He's afraid people will go down there and dump on private property has happened in the past,

Speaker 4: Dumped on Echo

Speaker 1: Canyon, they dumped on Echo Canyon, saw there's a TV sitting there down by Monte down by that equipment turned around.

Speaker 4: Remember the There's garbage down there.

Speaker 1: Yeah. Terrible

Speaker 4: Down

Speaker 1: There.

Speaker 8: House they dumped. Remember the Salmon fridge? Yeah.

Speaker 1: Oh yeah.

Speaker 8: Have you heard about that yet?

Speaker 4: Oh, this clown took two freezer fulls and a refrigerator full of fish and dumped them down in Canyon View when there was snow Canyon view and then came the bears

Speaker 8: And then two brown bears and a guy on a motorcycle using the bathroom and lots of shots, shots fired. And

Speaker 4: This is kind of a little pullout area.

Speaker 1: It was like what, three years ago? Something like that.

Speaker 3: Yeah,

Speaker 8: Yeah, yeah. So that's great. I mean that's really important. And I think that Greg has some other firewise things going on that are really important for us as a community and to practice a drill eventually is our goal really as a small community, we should be able to be fairly well organized in that. And

Speaker 4: So how would you end up with putting a gate on that thing? At least on one end?

Speaker 1: I don't know. I dunno,

Speaker 3: You don't have a commitment. You had someone saying, I think he would be happy.

Speaker 1: Well, yeah, according to Bob Day, who was at meeting, who's his neighbor who talks to him, that was part of the discussion

Speaker 4: Gone to,

Speaker 3: He has the ability to say no and you're trying to get him to say yes and you don't know what the cards are in your hand at this point in time.

Speaker 1: Yeah. So we're waiting for a legal opinion from the city before we really move forward.

Speaker 3: We put up a new shop there within the last week. Have you seen that a bunch? Your trusses on top of two Es?

Speaker 8: Oh, I haven't

Speaker 3: Seen that. It's a pretty substantial structure. You kind of, oh, okay.

Speaker 8: Okay. Greg, is that all you got for that

Speaker 1: One? Just the only other thing for those of you who arrived a little late as I mentioned earlier, is we have a beetle kill problem going on in Anchorage still right now. We had neighbors lose trees last couple years, but as I looked out in, it seems like in our greater area, it's not as bad as a lot of parts of town. So we'd like to keep it that way. It would be great if we could, and one thing you can do to prevent beetles from really coming in is don't take limbs off your tree at this time of year. Wait until August when it's not in its full peak of growth as it is right now. Because when you limb or you cut beetle a healthy spruce tree right now, it signals to the beetles that there's a weakness and they might want to move into that area. And so it's just something to consider. That's something I was told and I believe it would be true.

Speaker 8: And the last large beetle kill was what? 12 years ago or something? I don't know. That's what it looks like to me. 13 in our area.

Speaker 1: Oh, late nineties. And then there was another one. Most

Speaker 8: Of those on Ro Haley, at least I would say within 10 to 15 years, dead trees. You look at it down trees, they're great. And we have so much water too that helps keep this spruce healthy. Makes a big difference. Good reason to do less work.

Speaker 1: Interestingly, it's not the beetle kill trees that are the big danger in a wildfire. The live spruce trees and the other vegetation that burns and sends up an ember that travels. And so one of the things they talk about in this group is think like an ember, like a burning chunk of a tree that's flying and lands somewhere near your house. And I can tell you the very basics are to keep a 30 foot radius around all your structures of non-combustible. So our firewood pile is just about 30 feet away from our house. It's okay to have birch trees. Those aren't going to, they're, they're not a threat. But if you have a spruce tree 15 feet from your house, you might consider, do I need, that's a hazard that could light up. So they also brought up ideas about like, oh, there's a house in Laina that was untouched. What was it about that house? Well it had all metal siding and it had a rock landscape around it and they just did all the things that kept it standing. So

Speaker 8: If we have an 80 mile an hour southeast wind, we're all in trouble how far away those

Speaker 1: Are or what kind of variety of trees you have. And yeah, it's really the wind that really dries out our area really fast. You could have a little rain like we did yesterday, but then

when it blows it does, it just dries everything really quickly. And she met the woman, Jen, who created these fire maps, told me that, I couldn't believe it, but she said that Anchorage is actually in a desert like climate because we have less than 15 inches of precipitation a year on average

Speaker 8: Down below we're about up to 20. It's our evapotranspiration rate. So it's the fact that it's cloudy and that, I mean Denver has 16 inches a year of preci. So if you've been to Denver, it's a high desert. So that's all, that's our ET rate is the only thing that keeps us in the slow melt. Alright, thanks Greg. That's great. Part of this community council that I really, when we created it, I really look forward to is things like the firewise and moving beyond these developments and stuff. And so I'm really hopeful that we can work on that in the future. And all right, moving on to the annual election of board members. So we have options. We don't have a more than one applicant or more than one person who wants to be in each position. We can just agree to a slate of candidates as we have in the past. But certainly anyone who is an existing member of our community council is eligible to be elected. And so I guess there's three positions. We have our president, a vice president, and then a secretary treasurer. And in the past

Speaker 1: Also FCC Delegate. We would like to fill that. Yeah,

Speaker 8: Approximately. And FCC. Okay. So is that a vote? Is that a vote in the FCC delegate? Do we vote that in? Yeah, we do vote. Yeah, it can be. Okay. I wasn't sure

Speaker 1: We enough people who want to be it. Yeah,

Speaker 8: It's usually like it's your turn. My turn, that kind of thing. And so I guess we will start with president. Is there anyone here that is interested in running for president or would like to nominate somebody to be president?

Speaker 1: Nominate Rob Brown for president. You did a pretty good job this year. I know it's not easy to come up with all this stuff, but you've been willing to work with me and Amy, our previous secretary for five years now. We revived this community council and so I think you're a well-spoken guy and you've spoken before the assembly on several things and under the community council's hospice of the Community council. And that's been great. That's been valuable having this community council active because one of the things that it gets you is more time before the assembly to explain your case for anything that is brought up. And that's huge. So anyway, you've done a great job with that. I nominate Rob Brown.

Speaker 8: Appreciate that. I will, I guess not begrudgingly accept it, but somewhat. Thanks. All right. Anyone else interested in writing for president? And so seeing anyone, I nominate Greg as vice president comes around. Comes, yeah. And Greg, ditto on the above on what you said. You're well organized. Your work schedule allows you to focus in on these things and with much more precision than me. And so I think we make a good team and it's hard throughout the years to keep this going, but there's some things that I'm looking forward to. And so it'd be great if you could continue to help out.

- Speaker 1: Awesome. I would accept if the body decides
- Speaker 8: And anyone else want to be vice president interested in being vice president. Okay. Hearing none. And then Secretary Treasurer. Is anyone interested in becoming secretary treasurer or would like to nominate somebody? Secretary
- Speaker 1: Treasurer? I would nominate Bonnie Tinsley to be secretary Treasurer. Yeah.
- Speaker 5: Mainly meeting minutes stuff, right? And agendas.
- Speaker 1: Yeah. Yeah. And we can help with that. We all work together. We all work together on it. And yeah, you had all, I'm recording
- Speaker 8: So AI can do our minutes. Also
- Speaker 5: More control than
- Speaker 8: That. Okay, good. Oh, I love hearing that. So I was trying to let y'all, that sounds
- Speaker 1: Perfect. That sounds awesome. I mean, we can meet and talk about this resolution, how to make it better. This is kind of like your line of work and
- Speaker 5: I can help do track changes if you have it n word or whatever. Just propose edits.
- Speaker 1: Sure, yeah. We do it in docs so we can all work on it.
- Speaker 8: We're probably going to embarrass ourselves, so we need your help. We
- Speaker 1: Need it. That'd be awesome.
- Speaker 5: Is it just two meetings a year or
- Speaker 1: Generally it's one a quarter. One a quarter.
- Speaker 8: One a quarter.
- Speaker 1: So apparently sometimes we miss and
- Speaker 8: Yeah, we missed this last one. It was missed the last one, but he was on a ship in the winter and so it was a rough winter for me. A lot of stuff going on. But yeah, so we're required to have it once a quarter and we try to have it beginning of summer and then after summer and typical and then May or April our is our election.
- Speaker 4: Yeah, happy we do
- Speaker 8: It. Awesome, awesome. Thank you.

Speaker 4: 26.

Speaker 8: Great. Okay, well since there is no other nominees, then we can elect a slate of candidates. And so I would just move that we open the voting for a slate as Rob Brown, myself, president Greg Kiper, vice president and Bonnie Hensley as secretary Treasurer. All in favor? Raise your hand. Okay, great. Awesome. Well that passes this case. So that's selection. Moving on to the open forum, this is where we discuss community concerns, suggestions for the next meeting. Greg had a suggestion here and if you want to talk to that, you're welcome to talk about that.

Speaker 1: Yeah, I just thought there's new neighbors and everybody in Canyon View. I haven't met anybody that lives down there yet, and so I just want to welcome 'em to the neighborhood and I thought wouldn't be a bad idea to get together and take a walk. Our creek trail is Anchorage famous now, so I would suggest that it's incredible the trail, all the work that the neighborhood has put into creating it, it's absolutely beautiful. It's one of the gems of Anchorage, hidden gems. And it's in our neighborhood. I mean, Dale recommended maybe we should walk on the public use easement trail in Canyon View Estates area, and that is the possibility too.

Speaker 4: So I have a question again, excuse me for being ignorant. No,

Speaker 1: Not at all.

Speaker 4: I've only been here a couple months, so I know the hopeless build because I drive past that all the time, is the Canyon view. I know it looks like an area that's being built beginning to be developed. It's like a few streets before that, but also off Canyon Road. Is that what you're calling Canyon D?

Speaker 1: So the Canyon View estate is on Canyon Road and it's after you come down the hill from Upper de Armon and Canyon intersection, you come down the hill and then there's some signs that they're knocked over by the wind. And that's the beginning of Canyon View Estate's subdivision. It's going to be the mailbox, was it 25 houses? 26 homes ultimately. And did you say your name is Sheila? Sheila. Sheila. Okay. Welcome.

Speaker 4: Look at your address. I think you must live in the Canyon View estate. Well, I honestly, that's why I'm asking. So we're above the bill.

Speaker 8: You're in the golds old house. Yeah. Oh yeah, that's right. I'm sorry. I thought you were in a different house. She's in the new black house. It's across from the, yeah, and she also owns Across You own across the road right there as well.

Speaker 1: Right?

Speaker 4: It is beautiful. Needs a little finished short, but that's every house in the world. Well, so that's why, like I said, I know the Quest bill because I see it all time. But the other I was a little bit. Yeah,

- Speaker 1: Sure. So prior to the Canyon View Estates, Holquist Subdivision Lewis and Clark is not in our community council area, but that's the one that's accessed off of Upper Deon. That's the Lewis and Clark subdivision. So
- Speaker 4: You're calling that the Holquist area, that all of that is Candy State. So my house is part of that. No,
- Speaker 1: Your house was built custom by the owners.
- Speaker 4: I don't know where these lines are.
- Speaker 1: Yeah, so yeah, your neighbors with Ryan Wallace and his boys. And that house was custom built. Yeah, probably 10, 12 years ago. Wallace
- Speaker 4: Send you our first line of events. Okay.
- Speaker 1: You're not going to be part of the HOA that is going to be created, I think with Canyon View Estates.
- Speaker 4: Are they putting it? Is that going to be, it's
- Speaker 1: Required. It was part of the plant notes.
- Speaker 8: It's required.
- Speaker 4: So why are we still plowing their road?
- Speaker 8: Yeah,
- Speaker 1: Well yeah.
- Speaker 8: So we have great neighbors in Canyon View, right? We just fought the developer. We knew we'd have good neighbors. There are great neighbors. There's young couples with kids and there's a lot of struggling with floodwater right now in that neighborhood as well. Three houses have had floods that we know of and
- Speaker 4: Of new houses. Wow.
- Speaker 8: Yeah,
- Speaker 1: There's a lot of water
- Speaker 8: There. It's a lot of water. Yeah, certainly. Yeah.
- Speaker 4: Kennedy was controversial when it was. I can imagine.

Speaker 8: Yeah. So that's generally the Rohe homestead, and that's where my house is and our property. And then all of those houses. And then across Rabbit Creek, up the hill to the south, north, south of Rabbit Creek, that's all Roha homestead as well. 160 acres total. And Canyon View was as a whole coast development. So

Speaker 1: You can look at the boundaries of all these properties on this Anchorage Muni arc, GIS website map. It's like property tax info. And you see who all the owners are and you can kind of click on that property and

Speaker 4: All that. I'm just going to write that down.

Speaker 1: Yeah, it's just A-R-C-G-I-S. And then there's a whole bunch of, but if you just

Speaker 8: Google Anchorage property tax search, that'll bring up that, then you can search by address name, and then it'll open up to a map and you can zoom in and out of that map it

Speaker 3: Goes below. I forget what you're above flat top road or not. But

Speaker 1: She's just below it, right below,

Speaker 3: I think literally from your house down to the bottom of Canyon Road, which is where his driveway is.

Speaker 8: Bottom lane, the end of the sidewalk

Speaker 3: To the mailboxes. And again, it was controversial for a whole bunch of reasons that we don't have to go to day, but whether you like or not, the dispute's been resolved with maybe some add-on. Right?

Speaker 8: Yeah.

Speaker 3: Okay.

Speaker 8: Welcome to the neighborhood.

Speaker 1: Thank you. Yeah, thanks for being here. Yeah,

Speaker 4: It's beautiful. It is.

Speaker 3: Still get greasy sometimes.

Speaker 4: Yeah. But it is beautiful. Yeah, we've had deck furniture blow off and right now it's just off fitting where we set it to try to avoid the wind a little bit so we get things go.

Speaker 3: Sometimes you get new furniture,

Speaker 4: Hulu, uphill. We might, we've lost piece.

Speaker 1: The super common, more likely super common.

Speaker 3: It ended up like three blocks down the ground.

Speaker 1: Yeah. I built all custom deck furniture out of two by four. So my deck sofa is like 80 pounds. I think it's massive early, it won't blow away because we've lost so much over the years, but I've been living there for 20 years, so

Speaker 3: It makes it worth it to have a weather station.

Speaker 8: Yeah. I mean, Greg, I would say this is your invitation, so I think you can craft it. I'll participate in it.

Speaker 1: Yeah, I think we'll put it out to the new neighbors and neighbors in general and just pick a time and day. And for those of you, have you walked the Creek Trail? Do you know about it?

Speaker 4: I know about it. We haven't walked in.

Speaker 1: Okay. Okay. For anybody who's interested, that might be a fun thing to do.

Speaker 3: Memorial Day weekend,

Speaker 8: That's more,

Speaker 1: Yeah, some Saturday. Probably not this Saturday.

Speaker 8: Some Saturday. Yeah.

Speaker 3: So here's why I came today. I just hope you guys put out a resolution on this home initiative. I wanted to make sure it was on your radar screen. And I think that the easiest way to do a resolution is to get a copy of the Rabbit Creek resolution copy of the Halo resolution. I

Speaker 8: Have that. Yeah. Yeah.

Speaker 3: And just say, we've looked at this and we agree. If you're so inclined.

Speaker 8: Yeah, I'm inclined. Yeah, we've read it. I mean, I've read, yeah.

Speaker 3: But ideally having gone, sometimes I get caught up in the momentum and having been to these meetings, you can see where this is going politically is they extended it out and they say, oh yeah, we listened to you. Oh yeah, we listened to you. Oh yeah, we listened to you and now we're going to do it our way. It would be, in my opinion, powerful to say, listen, there's 10 community councils that have spoken and they're against it. And I

think that that would have an effect on maybe the assembly persons from AK Eagle River. And I was surprised. Randy's Assembly of Insult seemed kind of passive like, oh, well maybe it'll go through, maybe it won't. But I think that particularly for him, if you have all the, it strengthens, it would strengthen his result, I think would be the polite way of saying it.

Speaker 8: Okay. Alright. Well that's a good point. We should, we need to do something on that. Oh yeah. I think that

Speaker 3: The easy way is just to say Me too.

Speaker 8: Yeah.

Speaker 3: And reference it. So anyway,

Speaker 8: I appreciate that.

Speaker 3: Yeah. Anyway, I just wanted to make sure, because you guys only meet every three months. You're more my neighborhood than Hillside is, which is a lot of people from Lewis Clark subdivision on the board. And I was just worried that only meeting every three months that something would fall from the cracks.

Speaker 8: We should have action today. Really? Yeah.

Speaker 3: And I thought if we showed up and said, Hey, well

Speaker 8: Thanks Mark. You're always good for that.

Speaker 3: Anyway, that was, appreciate it.

Speaker 8: That's it. Yeah. I'd like to make you an honorary member sometimes.

Speaker 3: Well, I come

Speaker 8: You are already. Yeah. Doesn't mean you

Speaker 3: Can't come. It just means that we're wondering why I wasn't voting, just because I'm not part of the official.

Speaker 8: He's in the geodesic dome house as you come up arm in there on the left side there.

Speaker 3: Yeah.

Speaker 8: Alright, well yeah, so that's a great point. And I think that we should, as Bonnie now you're on our should I think it would be a good idea to make a resolution that we concur with Rabbit Creek's opinion. I mean, they're pretty extensive opinion. They're

Speaker 3: Pretty

Speaker 8: Impressive. Yeah, I say so. Very organized.

Speaker 1: And the whole city there now be

Speaker 3: Valley is impressive too.

Speaker 8: Oh really? Yeah. At Bear Valley Community Council. I haven't seen that

Speaker 3: One. I mean I just hear them because I go to the Hill side

Speaker 8: Stuff. So yeah, I would make a, I'd like to propose move that we make a resolution as an executive board to examine the Rabbit Creek resolution and Halo and come out in opposition to the home

Speaker 3: Initiative

Speaker 8: Initiative

Speaker 3: 2045.

Speaker 8: It's

Speaker 1: 2024 dash

Speaker 8: 25, 24 dash

Speaker 1: 2040, no, dash 45. Right.

Speaker 3: It's 2 0 4 5.

Speaker 8: Okay. Okay. Alright. Yeah, so as described, mark. So I think we're all in agreement. An agreement that, I guess I'll speak to it a little bit. Just that, I mean, my house was flooded last year and by runoff and directly from the Holquist subdivision, we know that bad planning creates bad situations for neighbors downstream. And that's probably our biggest concern in our neighborhood. And as I mentioned earlier, we still don't have a watercourse mapping survey for the Holquist subdivision. So they never even map the culverts. They haven't walked the property. So even when you count on them to do the right thing, they don't do the right thing. And that's under the current code. And to make it even less restrictive in that sense, I think would create a lot of issues for us.

Speaker 3: And I would say we're not a hundred percent as a neighborhood, we're not a hundred percent happy with everything that planning and the planning board and the zoning commission has done, but at least it has some protections that we've been able to take advantage of. And you want to keep the process in place.

Speaker 1: Yeah. Oh yeah.

Speaker 8: A process, an administrative option. We can at least try to exhaust those and the due process. And this takes away what we consider our due process. A

Speaker 3: Right to be heard basically. Yeah.

Speaker 8: Yeah.

Speaker 1: So I second that motion. I think it's totally worthwhile, and this is one of our powers as a community council, is being able to advise the assembly on something that they're going to do that seems to have the votes. And I mean, our voice is powerful. We bat way above our size for this kind of thing. This is the one of opportunity to do it. So I second

Speaker 8: That. Alright, well all in favor? Okay. All. So I passes. So we will convene that executive board to decide how they're going to do that. Alright. Do I hear a motion to adjourn in that case? Unless there's anything else for open forum. Okay. Motion to adjourn.

Speaker 1: Second. Okay.

Speaker 8: Alright. So we will adjourn. Our next regular meeting is September 20. Oh, that's not 2025. It's September 26. 2024. Unless we may need to schedule a special meeting. Hopefully not. And hopefully everyone in boys or summers and we get through it without any wildfire dangers. And we meet our neighbors, our new neighbors, and we keep the lines of communication open. We do have a mailing list that's right now it's 55 deep of different people in our neighborhood. And then Greg's wife 80 also maintains the list. And so if you're here, you're on that list. So we'll be in touch with you if there's some other things and if we need to be in contact regarding some other stuff, please send me an email and I can distribute out to our new neighbors as

Speaker 1: Well. And if anybody wants to get on the A-P-D-A-F-D rave alerts where you get a phone call or you get a text message, I believe it's a text message. It might be an email.

Speaker 8: It's email,

Speaker 1: Which is just me. Terrible way. Oh, there's a fire. Did you get the email on that? What? They don't connect

Speaker 4: To Meel.

Speaker 1: I don't think so. It's

Speaker 8: A fire song anyway.

Speaker 1: Nixle is the A PD. Yeah, I told him about

Speaker 4: That. Above was because Joanne was standing up at midnight and watched them all come up.

Speaker 1: Yeah.

Speaker 3: One in your neighborhood.

Speaker 1: Yeah. That was two years ago. Two

Speaker 4: Years ago.

Speaker 1: There was a small, that was really strange. It was like off in the bushes. It wasn't on the road, it was up in the bushes or something.

Speaker 4: They're just, they've done a good job over the years about keeping the kids from doing their bonfires and things like that. We haven't had any problems, but we're getting more and more traffic up there that just,

Speaker 3: This is interesting though. Once a year I walk the road up to the park to pick up the trash. Yeah, I'll get my, but this year was cleaner than other years. It had less change and you can put it into categories in trash. There's construction trash because things are going on. You can't just make things. And then there's the old car parts type stuff. But this year it was cleaner and the only explanation that I come up with is on the road up to the park means that there's less dumping because people will see things. And also it becomes less attractive to teenagers looking for a place to drink or vape without anyone interrupting them. And so there would be less maybe pallet fires and things. Well, once supper dairyman fails all the way, then nobody can get up there. We're on the right track. The best advertisement to improve the road is to have a really bad road leading to the park. The counter argument is if you build it, they will come. Which is the issue that would be discovered with the publicist subdivision and you're very nice house somewhere. Well,

Speaker 4: We've been told that in the summer that there's a little pullout right across. And that

Speaker 3: Is very much used, even though that's where the old mailboxes were

Speaker 4: Also used in the winter because people take it off the hill. I was told people to park there. Even going on

Speaker 3: Park anywhere there's a pullout. Yeah.

Speaker 4: Stop with their drones. We caught one guy that pulled the drone out and I told him to police, take that away. Go away. Somebody will shoot it down.

Speaker 3: But I was definitely surprised that there was less trash, less bags.

Speaker 4: A lot of wind this year. Yeah.

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