

Sand Lake Community Council (SLCC) Meeting

November 11, 2024 | 6:30PM - 8:30PM

- 1. Welcome / Call to Order - 6:36pm**
- 2. Approval of the Minutes -** Approved both 10/21 and 10/23 meeting minutes.
- 3. President's Report**
 - a. The flooding surrounding Delong Lake will be on future meeting agendas.
- 4. Treasurer's Report**
 - a. Current Balance: \$682.15
- 5. Anchor Gardens - Larissa Write-Elson**
 - a. A Sand Lake area resident, member of the Anchor Gardens Core Team and Garden Coach for the Sand Lake area. Larissa participated in [City Nerd Night: Healthy Soils](#) last month. It was awesome! Recommend a watch.
 - b. Anchor Gardens is a local nonprofit that provides coaching and resources to garden in any neighborhood in Anchorage.
 - c. Examples of programming include:
 - i. Seed Exchange
 - ii. Seedling Exchange
 - iii. Garden Tours
 - iv. Composting Classes in Partnership with SWS
 - v. Resource Depot @ [Cheechako and Benson](#)
 - d. Call to Action: We need more coaches! Sand Lake area needs coaches, as do other neighborhoods.
 - e. Email the Anchor Gardens team to get involved: anchorgardensanc@gmail.com
- 6. Anchorage School Board Report**
 - a. No report available.
- 7. Municipality of Anchorage Report**
 - a. No report available
- 8. Alaska Legislature Reports**
 - a. **Senator Claman - via Aide**
 - i. Re-elected; thanked President Vasquez for a respectful campaign.
 - ii. Snow removal update + resources
 1. New! Muni Snow Removal Webhub: www.muni.org/plow
 2. Here's the State Snow Removal Map: dot.alaska.gov/stwdmno/wintermap
 3. [Here's a map](#) of whose streets are managed by which agency.
 - iii. CAPSIS (the public system for requesting capital / budget items) system opening in the next few weeks.

1. **Need to submit CAPSIS request for Delong Lake wetlands flooding.**
2. Sand Lake & 82nd - upgrade neighborhood to city water from existing well/septic. Some federal funding is coming down the hopper. **Need to invite AWWU to present on this project.**

iv.

b. **Senator Gray-Jackson**

- i. Provided a [written report](#).

9. Ted Stevens International Airport Report - No report available.

10. Ted Stevens International Airport Subcommittee, Linda Swiss - No report available.

11. Homeless Camps, Robert Hays

- a. Robert and Liz will check in on the status of the camp by the Fred Meyer gas station. May prepare a resolution asking for a response to the issue.

12. Federation of Community Councils Update, Evan Leaf

- a. Not available for the next FCC meeting on Nov. 20 - Liz will attend in his absence

13. Other Business

a. Self-Storage Variance

- i. 11.3 acre site just north of with 4 acres of use needs a variance (required for lots greater than 10 acres). 21.060.D4Bi
- ii. Convert existing parking structures to self storage. 7 buildings total.
- iii. Installing a fence to cordon off the self storage use from airport parking area.
- iv. Robert + Liz to develop a resolution in support.

b. Update on SLCC Resolution #2024-02 re: Wetlands Flooding

- i. [ADN recently covered the story](#)
- ii. Richard from neighborhood received an update from Angie Spear, acting Airport Director:
 1. Asserts the flooding is not the fault of the airport, and the airport is not responsible for the issue.
 2. Claims it would take 33 days pumping 24/7 to reduce the water level by 1 foot.
 3. Complained that their stormwater system is already taxed and can't handle additional capacity.
- iii. Senator Claman spoke to the airport:
 1. Airport planning a water source study (dealing with this and other issues) to be completed by breakup 2025.
 2. There's no water discharge for the neighborhood, which also contributes to the issue.

- iv. Next Steps:

1. Cathy Clovis to contact Rich + Aaron to discuss pressing DOT for permits.
 2. Neighborhood to help identify \$ cost for CAPSIS request.
 3. Liz to keep this issue on future agendas.
- c. Voting @ Chinook Elementary queued voters outside.
- i. Russell worked up an email to Liz. **Need to submit it to the Region II office and the Lieutenant Governor,** who oversees state elections.

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Move to Adjourn: 7:59pm

Next Meeting: December 9