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## North Star Community Council General Membership Meeting Minutes

### Wednesday November 13th, 2024 at 7pm

*Our next meeting is Wednesday December 11th, 2024 at 7pm, Hybrid.*

Present:

Officers and Members	Other Folks:	Members Present:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eiden Pospisil, President</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jacob Powell, Vice President</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Donovan Camp, Secretary</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jacquie Braden, Treasurer</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Keelan Kenny, Member at Large</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Penny Gage, FCC Delegate</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Dave Donley, ASD School Board</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Pat Higgins, ASD School Board</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Dora Wilson, ASD School Board</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Carl Jacobs - ASD School Board</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Abby O'Neil, Principal, North Star Elementary</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Joy Boston, JBER</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Dave Rittenberg, Catholic Social Services - Complex Care Facility</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Löki Gale Tobin - Alaska Senator               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Kayla E</li> </ul> </li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Daniel Volland, Assembly Rep</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Melinda Gant, ACDA</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Rep Zack Fields               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Evan Anderson</li> </ul> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Clare Bryant Boersma, Northern Compass Group</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Arianna Bellizzi, Federation of CC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andre C</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Matt J</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Mark B</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kayla E</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gordan G</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Ben M</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Melonie R</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sharon S</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emily B</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> John W</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Tara W</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Cale G</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Lila H</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Paxson W</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Brandy B</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Graham D</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Elva C</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Olivia G</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Harriet D</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Susan M</li> </ul>

## Introductions

- Round of Introductions
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes

## Reports

- Legislative Update
  - Zack Fields
    - Putting forward and idea of putting forth some sort of legislation that limits internet bot disinformation
    - Approves of capital improvements proposed by mayor
    - Some issues with snow clearing
    - Looking forward to legislative session and thanks us for support
  - Senator Löki Gale Tobin
    - See submitted written report below that includes:
      - Several links for public comment
      - NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES ON THE CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.
      - A recommendation of how the student
      - Broadband Assistance Grants
    - Is prospecting on what commissions she will be serving on
    - Believes reconnecting communities grant may be threatened and wants to ensure its preservation.
    - Matt J asked about Seward to Glen connection
      - Spoke about the need for viable cost available alternatives and the need to avoid a No-Build alternative.
- Assembly Update
  - Daniel Volland
    - Approved many leadership
      - Public Works Director, Planning director, Public Works, Health Department, Chief medical officer (first time)
    - Finalizing budget and approves of:
      - Expanding mobile crisis team, New Grants writing team
      - Raising snowplow operator pay
      - Neighborhood traffic Calming
      - Two Levies:
        - New snow removal equipment
    - Two amendments:
      - Mitigate impacts to lower income recreating fees by bringing back free passes to lower income families
      - Funding of [NACOLE](#) assistance. A national group that guides and informs our police citizen police oversight board.

- Free Parking for Mobility Disabled folks and increase in Parking Tickets for violation
  - Project Anchorage Work section (3/3): looking and what projects are being considered.
    - Daniel is making proposed changes:
      - Concerned about the benefit gap of property owners vs renters
      - Reducing the biggest benefit going to commercial property owners
      - Tobacco and alcohol should be exempt, as it would be doubly taxed as written
      - 2% going to municipal services and 1% going to Capital projects
      - Make it permanent, and not going through a re-vote every 3 years
      - Increase \$20k Exemption for Business Real Tax (tax on inventory) to \$250k. To reduce impacts on small businesses.
  - [Arianna Bellizzi](#) ED of Federation of CC
    - Gave an overview of the FCC: Funded by grant for Assembly, have equipment for CCs, are fiscal sponsors for CCs, Offers courses on CC.
    - Training on CCs coming up
    - FCC meetings are also open to the public and very informative.
    - New Website coming!
  - ASD Update
  - Dave Rittenberg, Catholic Social Services
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## Old Business

1. Member at Large Call for Nominations
  - a. No one
  - b. Gordon made a motion to table nominations until next month. Motions Seconded and no opposition.
    - i. Expressed interest in folks joining committees

## Updates:

1. Jacob Led community wide updates (See agenda)
  - a. DOT safety Comments survey open
  - b. Public restroom final report
  - c. Midtown District Plan

- d. Updates From Jacob and Tara - on NSCC recommends  
Gorden put forward a motion to forward the document to the General membership as soon as possible. And was voted in approval

2. NSCC Committees

- a. Fireweed Lane Redevelopment
  - i. Jacquie B spoke about the open house, website updates and new typical sections. Its was spoken in favor that the project be discussed at a meeting before the Project team meets with NSCC.
- b. Noise in Northstar
  - i. No updates
- c. Constitution and Parliamentary Affairs
  - i. No updates - thanked the board for putting in their time and energy on the board.

Meeting adjourned 850pm

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