

Tudor Area Community Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 3, 2016

First Church of God on MacInnes & Tudor

Jake Tuckerman, chair, called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Last month's meeting minutes were approved.

Assembly Report: Colleen Carlson read Assywmn. Elvi Gray-Jackson's notes aloud. See attached.

Legislative Report: State Rep. Andy Josephson called in and reported: they are midway through the session. DNR cut \$350,000 and may lose a deputy commissioner. The State has cut Dillingham's DA but may restore it. Oil & gas tax credit bill, labor and commerce-alcohol tax increase? Tobacco tax? E-cigs have gotten lots of phone calls. U of A was cut 14.5% (500-1,000 employees). Andy's hoping for a "comprehensive" fiscal plan (not just 1 or 2 items). Rep. Max Gruenberg sadly passed away.

Guest Speakers: Officer Mike Jones, with Community Action Policing (CAP) Team came to talk to us. The team has been around for 7 years. It's a 6-person unit that does problem-solving for APD, figures out what's at the root of a problem. They shut down the liquor store and Inlet Inn (2 high profile items). He handed out a Community Questionnaire he and Officer Nave would like returned in the next few months, the sooner the better. You can scan the forms and email them to Officer Nave. Give your opinion about Senate Bill 91 (tell Andy) if you like. It lessens offenses for drugs (dealing heroin would be same consequence as smoking pot in public).

Federation of Community Councils (FCC) Report: Officers Nave and Jones gave the same Community Questionnaire out to all community councils. Mayor's office is trying to do something about the homeless issue. Three police academies will be held this year. Hillside & Hillside East Community Councils are going to merge. Community Councils will have the right to comment and object to the Assembly on proposed marijuana business locations.

New Business: Anchorage Bowl Land Use Plan Map is officially out. The planning department is looking for public comments. A motion was presented by Dee Tuckerman concerning a TACC committee on Marijuana Business Land Use. After discussion the motion is "The Executive Board shall be the Council's ad hoc committee to consider marijuana applications." The motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Carlson,
TACC Secretary

Assembly Report:

-At the February 9th meeting, the Assembly approved AO 2016-3(S) dealing with land-use and AO 2016-16(S) addressing licensing and regulation of marijuana. There were several amendments made to both ordinances prior to approval. Copies can be located on line at www.muni.org.

-Assembly Members Flynn and Petersen filed a notice of reconsideration of AO 2016-3(S) to address the issue of distance. Two amendments made were inconsistent with one defining distance based on pedestrian routes, the other based on lot lines. The ordinance was reconsidered at the February 23rd meeting and the pedestrian route was approved with the exception of Eagle River.

-At the February 23rd meeting, the Assembly approved Title 23, Building Codes, with several amendments proposed by Mr. Starr and Ms. Demboski. Assembly Members Petersen and Steele filed a notice of reconsideration to readdress fire safety amendments that were passed. One amendment deleted the requirement to get a permit to install hot water heaters. The ordinance will be brought back before the Assembly at the March 8th meeting.

-The Assembly is moving forward with the Vote-by-Mail project and has hired a Project Manager. The April 4th, 2017 election will be a vote-by-mail election.

-The Public Hearing on the U-Med District Plan will be continued at the March 8th meeting after 6:00 p.m. ***Next meeting: March 8th***