

Eagle River Valley Community Council Meeting

Wednesday April 12, 2017 7:00 pm

REGULAR MEEETING

Gruening Middle School

Draft Minutes

Call to order at 7:08 P.M. by David W. Schade, MPA

Quorum established at 7:08 p.m.

Introductions and Announcements:

None

Treasurers Report \$1234.50

New Business:

Presentation by Ian Laing – Alaska’s Future Executive Director

- Need a continuing budget plan

- Believes some use of Permanent Fund is necessary

- 90% of oil revenues provide for state budget

 - Difference now is lower production and lower prices

- Previous deficits were around \$800 Million and are now in the billions of dollars

John See – Anchorage Fire Department Forester

- 2001 to 2016 have spent \$16 Million on Spruce Bark Beetle mitigation

- Fire Wise Program is effective

 - Thin Spruce – Clear around house

 - Leave Hardwoods

 - Clear further downslope

- Last season of fire funding – Up to \$500 max

Public Land Treatments coming this summer

- State Park Land – Around Denaina Drive in May

- Ravenwood Elementary - will prune and trim.

 - School Sites are safety zones – will help this one comply

Open House May 30 from 10 am to 4 pm at the Training Center

Firewise inspections program

- Have 150 Home inspections complete

- Have 100 applicants remaining - may end in 2016

Will operate the woodlot program again this summer.

AWWU – Paul Hatcher and Shawn Dooley

Update on Purchase of Scott Stewart Parcel

Scott wants to sell approx. 8 acres to AWWU

Appraisal in progress – doing the work now

Should have complete mid-May time period

Proposal will go before the Assembly – 6-12 months to close

May be putting a generator on the booster station

Old Business:

Amy Demboski: Assembly Report

Election is done – Fred Dyson will be seated on Tuesday

Discussion about 16 YO to be appointed to assembly as non-voting member

Members in attendance were overwhelming against the idea

Can send e-mail to all assembly members

Discussion of proposal to “outlaw” parking RV’s in retail parking lots.

Committee Reports:

Crystal Kennedy: CBERRSA - No Report

C/ER Consortium: Steve Skipper – no report

Education: Patsy Gunn: no report

FCC: Tom Freeman

\$75.00 available from FCC

Cudo’s to Kyle for previous month’s presentation

Mike Chadwick – Municipal Auditor explain to FCC the need to watch grants administered by the FCC.

FCC members were noted lack of public input on bus routing.

Parks and Rec: Pete Panarese

Dog Park Proposal - now looking in the Peters Creek Area

Will be surveying possible locations

Mac Center is outside of budget. Parks board is optimistic that they will make necessary adjustments.

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Platting and Zoning: Pete Panarese; Nothing to report

Adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

ERVCC Board Members (Term Expiration) President: David Schade (2018) Vice President: Elisa Snelling (2019) Treasurer & Education: Patsy Gunn (2018) Parks & Rec: Pete Panarese (2018) Consortium: Steve Skipper (2017) Platting & Zoning: Pete Panarese (2018) Federation of Community Councils (FCC): Tom Freeman (2017) Road Board: Crystal Kennedy (2019) Secretary: OPEN (2019) Susan Fischetti (2019)