

NORTH STAR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

7:00 to 9:00 p.m. | North Star Elementary School (Library) - 605 West Fireweed Lane

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AGENDA

Feb 8, 2012

Call to order

- Round of introductions
- Vote to approve Nov & Dec minutes
- Changes or additions to agenda

Reports

- **President's Report:** Andre Camara
- **Vice President's Report:** Gordon Glaser
- **Treasurer's Report:** Barbara (Xefirah) Pepek
- **FCC Delegate's Report:** Gordon Glaser

Legislative Reports

- **Rep. Mike Doogan:** Representative_Mike_Doogan@legis.state.ak.us
- **Rep. Les Gara:** Representative_Les_Gara@legis.state.ak.us
- **Sen. Johnny Ellis:** Senator_Johnny_Ellis@legis.state.ak.us
- **Sen. Hollis French:** Senator_Hollis_French@legis.state.ak.us

Assembly Reports

- **Harriet Drummond:** harrietdrummond@alaska.com
- **Ernie Hall:** HallE@muni.org
- **Dick Traini:** TrainiD@muni.org
- **Elvi Gray-Jackson:** gray-jackson@muni.org

Presentation

Title 21 – Tom Davis, Muni Planning Dept. (*needs to be out by 8pm*)

New Business

Westside Candidate Forum (March)

Old Business

- Spenard Rd
- Sunrise Bakery

Adjourn 9 p.m.

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MINUTES TO BE APPROVED

Northstar Community Council minutes
January 11, 2012
7:00 – 9:00

7:10 Meeting called to order by Andre Camara, president. Introductions of those present were made by name and address.

Minutes were approved for Nov 8, 1) Gordon Glaser 2) Ira Perman unanimously and for Dec 14, 1) Gordon Glaser 2) David Wirls unanimously

Agenda was accepted with no amendments

7:10 Reports:

President's report: Andre Camara. The North Star Elementary librarian needs help processing new books around the third week of February (Saturday, 25th February). Those present said they would be interested in helping for about 4 hours.

Vice president's report, FCC Delegate's report: Gordon Glaser. The Mayor's Education Forum is now open for public comments on the Mayor's website. South HS has acquired sufficient funds through an SOA grant and booster club funds to build a stadium. Most Anchorage schools don't have one and the surrounding neighborhood is concerned about noise and traffic.

Treasurer's report: Barbara Pepek. We now have a balance of \$719.80 in the checking and savings accounts. \$20 (4 memberships) was collected at the meeting. Plans are in the works to do a postcard mailing inviting residents to participate in the council.

___ Legislative Reports: None present- Legislature in session

7:25 Assembly Reports:

Harriet Drummond attended the Public Safety Committee meeting after the amended fireworks on New Year's Eve. There were 4 complaints. Ira Perman and Barbara Pepek noted things were much quieter in their area.

The Assembly wants to end the I/M program for cars promptly. The MOA registration fee on cars is to be raised.

There is concern about TB in the Anchorage community. The homeless and immigrant population are coming into the medical facilities with the disease. The search for a new school superintendent to replace Carol Comeau, who is retiring, continues. Public input and questions about the 2 candidates should be directed to the ASD board members.

Spenard Road bonds are up for discussion at the January 31st Assembly meeting. Mark Butler and Ira Perman are our representatives on that project.

Dick Traini commented on Gov Sheffield's consultant contract for \$60 k. the Assembly will examine the agreement next week.

Fireworks ordinance will be on the ballot. Ms. Pepek asked about what distance from houses would be allowed. Mr. Traini said it would be back to 25ft. A resident near Valley of the Moon Park reported fireworks were shot onto her property with the 200 ft rule but she didn't bother to complain. The extension of the veteran's tax exemption to widowed spouses is going to forward for legal review. This would only apply to veterans who die in the line of duty and only until the spouse remarries.

7:35 New Business:

Mark Butler of the Federation of Community Councils announced there are now 62 organizations and businesses in the newly-formed Spenard Chamber of Commerce.

Barbara Pepek of MOA's Emergency Watch announced a new season of Leader Orientations and Brown Bags. To register for orientation go to the link posted on NSCC's Facebook page.

Gordon Glaser of the Kiwanis Kops said "GET A PIN!!" for the Fur Rondy festivities

Mark Butler noted there are volunteer security detail opportunities and a free breakfast for the Iditarod Start.

7:50 Old Business:

No news about Sunrise Bakery's deal with the city. WSJ ran an article stating that Continental Bakery was filing nationwide for bankruptcy protection.

Tesoro has asked that its Northern Lights & A. St gas station be allowed to sell alcohol products. Motion to oppose alcohol sales at this location, 1) Gordon Glaser 2) Sharon Schlicht

Mark Butler discusses why he feels alcohol sales should be allowed at this location. Harriet Drummond explains the history of A. St Liquors and suggests opposing sales at this location.

Motion to Oppose Alcohol Sales at the Tesoro located at Northern Lights and A. St passes 7 yes to 3 no.

Executive meeting (open to all) will be on Jan 25th at 7pm at Maxine's (formerly the Grape Leaf) on Fireweed Lane.

8:25 meeting adjourned 1) Gordon Glaser 2) Ira Perman