

NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Held at North East Community Center / Muldoon Mall

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AGENDA November 20, 2003

Call to order - 7:00 PM

Approval of Agenda, Secretary: Minutes, Treasurer: Report, Introductions

Reports: (limit of 3 minutes each) Nine Star; Northeast Community Center; Road Construction Updates; Federation of Community Councils; Weed & Seed; NECC Parks/Beautification Committee; Municipality of Anchorage; State of Alaska; Other (Questions beyond the three minutes for each subject should be asked individually or after business items).

Announcements

No General Council meeting in December. Happy Holidays!

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Business:

Presentation – Strengthening the Electric Grid in East Anchorage, 15 mins, Phil Steyer, Chugach Electric

Presentation – Proposed Improvement Plans for Chester Valley Elementary School, 15 mins, Marilyn Barbeau, Project Manager for ASD

Presentation – Muldoon Middle School/Community Center/Library including proposed space reductions and plans for future expansion, 20 mins, Angie Barr, Kumin & Associates

Preliminary planning for Spirit of Muldoon Picnic & Parade, 20 mins

Grooming of Trails in Windsong Park, 3 mins, Scott Ruby

Neighborhood Concerns, 5 mins

Executive Board Report, 5 mins

For the Good of the Order, 5 mins

Adjournment - 10:00 PM

Note: Presentations and subjects are timed. Brevity is important. Please wait to be recognized by the Chair.

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Northeast Community Patrol: 244-2220

NECC MINUTES FOR MEETING OF OCTOBER 16, 2003

Approval of Agenda -- approved

Secretary: Minutes -- typing error in resolution to senior housing amendment changed and approved

Treasurer: Report -- no report

REPORTS: (limit of 3 minutes) Municipality of Anchorage; Anchorage Police Department; Police Liaison and Community Patrols; Northeast and Nunaka; Anchorage School District; Northeast Community Center; Federation of Community Councils; Weed n' Seed; NECC Parks and Beautification Committee; Muldoon Town Center Committee; (21 minutes. Questions beyond the three minutes for each subject could be asked individually or during For the Good of the Order)

INTRODUCTIONS:

Senator Guess, Representative Anderson, Assembly Member Whittle

Reports Given:

Legislative: Sen. Guess has been appointed by Mayor Begich to the Long Term Transportation Committee. Changes to Chester Valley area are forthcoming. Muldoon Job Center is NOT going to move, lease problems were resolve with landlords.

MOA- Brian Whittle gave a brief report on the current happenings at the assembly. Budget problems prevail. Mayor Begich has proposed a fair and honest budget for all areas. It is not an easy thing, but across the board it affects everyone. Brian's e-mail address is whittle@ak.net and he welcomes your input.

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AFD: gave report how the special election on November 25th will be necessary to keep 23 positions, and that currently they are down 48 positions, which, if the funding doesn't go thru, will bring the force down to a total of 78 unfilled positions which is way too many to give appropriate coverage.

Community Patrols – no report

ASD – Muldoon Middle School Project Architect reported that the proposed plan sent to the board has been recommend reducing the space of the Community Center and Library from 70,000 sq.feet to 50,000 sq.ft. The following resolution was passed: Northeast Community Council supports the concept of joining the Community Center and Library with the understanding that it would be the FIRST PHASE of total construction and room be incorporated into the design for future growth and Phase II as soon as possible. Motion carried.

Northeast Community Center – Signed a three-year lease with MOA for the space.

Boys and Girl's Clubs- More kids every day, group usage is up as well

Weed n' Seed – Grant for the Russian Jack Weed n' Seed goes in to Dept. of Justice at end of October.

Muldoon Family Center – none

Muldoon Beautification - General meeting for the public to unveil the current phases of the project and estimated time schedule.

Town. Center- Representatives from Venture came to request the support of the Council with a letter of support to Alaska Housing Finance Corporation's Goal Program for the TIF financing portion of the project. The following resolution was made and passed 12 For 1 Abstain:

The Northeast Community Councils hereby resolves RESOLUTION: the Northeast Community Council hereby supports Cook Inlet Housing Authority's Creekside Village I project for the 6 acre project of Creekside Town Center located at the southeast corner of said property as revised 10/16/2003 and recommends Alaska Housing Finance Corporation GOAL program approves CIHA's application for Low Income Housing Tax Credit financing. Additionally, they answered questions regarding the design of this first phase, which decreases the number of units originally planned for this area and adds more green space landscaping etc. All roads will be to MOA subdivision standards with 40% affordable housing, 60% market housing to be built for Cook Inlet Housing Corp.

Parks and Beautification Project –Windsong Park had to have some emergency help with volunteers and muni authority to remove parts of the beaver dam, which had excess blockage that had brought water levels in the area to flooding stage. Mission helped but beavers back to work as normal.

OLD BUSINESS:

Turpin Road Project – no report

Vacation of Patterson Right of Way from 6th to Debarr – Still on hold by MOA, NECC Executive Board is still working on it.

Creekside Community Park –no report

East Side Transportation Study: - no report

NEW BUSINESS:

U.S. Attorney Tim Burgess came to give his support and kudos to Habitat for Humanity, Safe Streets/Safe Schools Programs. Project Safe Neighborhoods under the Dept. of Justice is designed to bring down violent crimes in our communities. There are more guns in Alaska than other states and Alaska leads the Nation in stolen guns. The fatality rate for 15-19 year olds is twice the national average

Special Agent John Hanson from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms gave a brief overview of the newest program titled Not With My Gun.

Liquor License Renewals – no objections as no violations were found that would predicate losing their license however it was again noted the ongoing problems the Bilikin Inn.

Traffic Safety Issues: Mr. Eidem addressed the council with safety issues on Duben Ave. between Muldoon and Oklahoma. His presentation was precise, well detailed with the actual problems and solutions for those problems. (All residents are urged and welcome to bring forth to the council any problems with safety, traffic, code violations, or additional neighborhood concerns.)

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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