

**OCEANVIEW/OLD SEWARD COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
C/o 240 PACIFIC VIEW DRIVE, ANCHORAGE, AK 99515**

**NEWSLETTER May 2004**

**The May meeting will continue its review of the Capital Improvement Projects needed in our council area.** The municipality has sent us its annual survey for additions and deletions to capital projects for 2005-10. There is only one CIP listed for our area: Huffman Rd Reconstruction – Old Seward HWY to Lake Otis PKWY. This is our opportunity to make additions or deletions to the list. Please join us at the May meeting with your suggestions for capital projects.

If you can't make the May meeting but have CIP suggestions, please send us a note by May 12 with your suggestions to Old Seward Oceanview Community Council ([digger\\_ak@yahoo.com](mailto:digger_ak@yahoo.com))

We are collecting membership dues for 2004: five dollars for an individual, ten for a family.  
**Our monthly meeting is May 12 (Wednesday), 7pm, at the Ocean View Elementary School (Library) on Johns Road.**

This is our last meeting until October. We break for the summer.

**LEGISLATIVE & ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVES**

Senator Ben Stevens ([Senator.Ben.Stevens@legis.state.ak.us](mailto:Senator.Ben.Stevens@legis.state.ak.us)) and Representative Lesil McGuire ([Representative.Lesil.McGuire@legis.state.ak.us](mailto:Representative.Lesil.McGuire@legis.state.ak.us)) or their staff will give us an update on the legislative session. What they have and haven't accomplished.

We have asked our Assembly representatives Janice Shamberg ([jcshamberg@gci.net](mailto:jcshamberg@gci.net)) and Dick Tremaine ([tremained@muni.org](mailto:tremained@muni.org)) to give us a review of what they hope to accomplish on the Assembly during the next year. What issues are pending that need consideration?

**FEDERATION OF COMMUNITY COUNCILS (FCC) MEETING**

New officers for 2004 FCC are:

Chair	Merten Bangemann-Johnson	Chugiak CC
Vice Chair	Ainsley Phillips	Northeast CC
Secretary	Kim MacBeath	Downtown CC
Treasurer	Niki Burrows	Mountain View CC

**NO RESOLUTIONS WERE APPROVED DURING THE LAST MEETING**

**AMATS**

There was a proposal during our March meeting to set up a Street and Roads Committee that keeps up with AMATS and Municipal projects that affect our council area or have major impact to our city? If you are interested in serving on such a committee, please attend our May 12th meeting.

**LEGISLATION, ZONING, ROAD, BUILDING & OTHER PROJECTS IN OUR AREA OR CITY THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST:**

- o Housing Development at Ellen & Klatt – Update by Tim Bridgman and Ellen residents.
- o Old Seward Road DOT Project – There was an open house on April 28 at Oceanview Elementary unfortunately it coincided with the Spring Sing event so parking was difficult.
- o Timberlane Road Reconstruction – funded by city bonds. No preferred plan issued. Est. cost \$2.3MM.
- o Petition to Rezone Duryea Property on Venus Way – pending Assembly approval, no date set.
- o Johns Road Upgrade/Reconstruction from High View Drive to Klatt – funded through AMATS. Funding uncertain at this time. Est. cost \$3.5MM.
- o Master Plan Review for Public Parks – hearing at P&Z May 10<sup>th</sup>. No draft available for public review.
- o HB327/SB371 companion bills that would eliminate the economic cost benefit analysis for transportation projects as objective criteria and is retroactive to July 1977 (27 years).
- o SB260 additional representation on AMATS.

If you know of a project that affects our area that you would like the council to monitor, please let us know.

#### NEWSLETTER

We have been notified by the Federation of Community Councils that community council newsletters will no longer be mailed by US Mail. So please advise FCC of your Email address to [councils@alaska.net](mailto:councils@alaska.net) and copy our treasurer Mary Whitmore at [emwhit@alaska.net](mailto:emwhit@alaska.net) who maintains a database of Oceanview Community Council members.

These measures are a result of recent cuts to the municipal budget.

For those of you who have sent us your e-mail addresses and you have not been included in our e-mail distribution, please call Mary Whitmore at number below.

Don't forget that community councils are the link in the local government chain between the resident and the municipal government and that community councils are only as effective as you, the membership want to make them by participating in the monthly meetings.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

For those who want more information on what's happening in the City, consult the Municipality website [www.muni.org](http://www.muni.org)

#### CONTACT US

If you have any questions or concerns, contact your Community Council officers listed below:

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?? Secretary	Margaret Klatt	345-5848
?? Treasurer	Mary Whitmore	344-2831
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Oceanview/Old Seward Community Council meets on the second Wednesday of the month at the Ocean View Elementary School on Johns Road. Meetings start at 7:00PM.

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