

Rabbit Creek Community Council Meeting Minutes for Thursday, October 10, 2024
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Location: Goldenview Middle School Library and Internet Zoom Meeting

Board Roll Call - Present: Tim Alderson filling in as Temp-Chair, John Riley (Co-Chair), David Sterling (Secretary), Judy Michael, Grace Johnston, Lorena Edenfield

Absent: Ann Rappoport, Amanda Doughty, Matthew Blakeslee, Mike Kenny, Nancy Pease
Board Member Temp-Chair Tim Alderson - Opened the meeting formally starting at 7:04 pm. Requested everyone to sign-in on Zoom or sign-in sheets at Storck Park, Determined 6 board members and over 28 attendees total on Zoom and in person. Tim Alderson described the Sign-In Method. RCCC follows Roberts Rules of Order. The attendance list is attached. Zoom advised of recording the meeting. Described methods to vote on issues for this meeting. People calling in on telephone will need to vote in the chat. Described voting eligibility, attendance of one prior meeting in past 12 months. Described Zoom protocol and instructions. Land Acknowledgement – Meeting on unceded lands of the Dena'ina Athabascan.

- Special Guests in the Library: three Senior students from South High School attending as part of their government class.
- **October Agenda** – Tim Alderson asked for approval of October Agenda.
- **September Minutes** – Tim Alderson advised that these minutes will be available at the November meeting.
- **Treasurer Report** – September amounts: Savings \$317.15 + Checking \$1,731.32 = \$2,048.52 available. Outstanding debt encumbered for ongoing records scanning.

Announcements & Legislative Reports:

- **Assembly Members for RCCC Area -**
 - **Randy Sulte** – (907) 343-4121 - Randy.Sulte@anchorageak.gov – Study of parking issues. Nancy Pease nominated and accepted on Right-of-Way Management Strategy Team to consider snow & ice, and parking (e.g., parked cars in way of snowplows) management strategies. Demboski lawsuit settled. Planned unit development passed with P&Z involvement. Proposed Sales Tax documents online. To be reviewed Nov 6th and vote at end of January. Budget reviews underway. Pedestrian deaths issues under review. Healthy Soils discussion.
 - **Zac Johnson** - (907) 343-4122 - Zac.Johnson@anchorageak.gov – Not present.
 - **Representative Laddie Shaw**–907-465-4945-representative.laddie.shaw@akleg.gov- Not present.
 - **Senator Cathy Giessel** –cell (907) 242-5450 – sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov UAA is partnering with Seattle University on a hybrid Law Degree Program.
 - **Anchorage School District** – Board Member Carl Jacobs reporting. Monitoring reading & math proficiencies, and college preparations. Three Academic Awards given to Anchorage Schools. Freshman Academy future careers recently.
 - **Candidates**- Ky Holland discussed his candidacy for State House District 9.

New Business and Old Business Requiring Action & Reports

- **No on Ballot Measure Two** – Jeff Carson – Faulty IT conditions for audio and visual limited what we could hear and see online. Described reasons for voting No on Ballot Measure 2, which would repeal Ranked Choice Voting, in great detail. Jeff is a hired paid campaign staffer from Outside.
- **November RCCC Board Elections** – Dianne Holmes – Requested notice from current Board Members to run for re-election. Anyone interested in running, contact Dianne. Will accept nominations from the floor at November meeting.
- **Safer Seward Highway** – HDR Engineers, Pearl Grace & Chris Hughes – Showed a prepared presentation update on the project that is available online. Project covers Seward Highway Milepost 98 to 118, Bird Flats to Potter Marsh. Nancy Pease and Ann Rappoport are RCCC's representatives on the Public Stakeholder Working Group. Working for 2-years on the project. Showed crash statistics and reviewed in detail. Fatal crashes staying high. Year-round problem. Conditions: Steep rocks, Scenic Highway, Endangered Beluga Whales, only road to the Kenai Peninsula, other geologic issues. Looked at motorized and non-motorized conditions. Will have non-motorized pathways all the way to Girdwood. Balancing numerous uses. Will be a full design phase in the

process. Showed concept drawings of various conditions. Timeline Process, started Jan 2023, design phase in 2025-26 with lots of comment time. Discussed ice and rock fall areas. Contact info provided. Long in-depth discussion with attendees on questions and answers. Full intersection at Potter Valley Road + Seward Highway, not disturbing Potter Marsh. Environmental Impact Draft will be available about December/first quarter 2025. Public involvement.

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- **RCCC Boundaries** -Tim Alderson described MOA is in the process of a 10-year Community Council Boundary Review. Recommended that RCCC Boundary remain the same.
- **Project Anchorage** – Randy Sulte read thru selected projects. None in our area.
- **2040 Land Use Plan** – Dianne Holmes gave update.
- **Rabbit Creek Gateway Sign** – Next year.
- **Resilience Committee** – Ky Holland – Committee meets 4th Monday of each month. Wood lot at central transfer facility Thurs to Sat, \$20/load. Closing for season soon. Check your CO alarms.
- **FCC** – Report by John Riley – FCC offering classes on Roberts Rules of Order and other subjects. Visit the FCC website for details.
- **HALO** – No report.
- **Schools on Trail** – No report.
- **LRSA** – Cindy Wray concerned about LRSA and hiring of General Contractor for snow plowing issues. Some issues with poorly performing Contractors being spread thin with other plowing responsibilities. Tim Alderson advised that he was on a recent committee formed to review in detail about LRSAs. Described results and wants process started again. Randy Sulte hopes the free market for snow plowing will handle the situation.
- **Social Media** – No report.
- **Fire Safety** – AFD Captain posted concerns in the chat.
- **Next Meeting** – November 14, 2024. Zoom meeting, maybe at Goldenview Middle School.
- **Tim Alderson Advised that the Northern Lights are out, go take a look.**
- **Meeting adjournment** – Move to adjourn by Tim Alderson - Meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm.