

Rabbit Creek Community Council Meeting July 8, 2004 – Minutes (draft)  
Rabbit Creek Church and Snowshoe Lane

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm by Ky Holland, president. Other board members present were Dianne Holmes, Carol Fries, Donna VanFlein, Susanne Comellas, Dan Case, Wayne Skidmore, Charlie Barnwell and Thom Janidlo. Introductions were made and the agenda approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** It's not in my notes so it didn't happen.

**Minutes from May and June** were reviewed and approved with a motion by Wayne and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan.

**Announcements:** A correction to the newsletter about a pending high voltage transmission line was clarified. Chugach is clearing the ROW along Rabbit Creek Rd. and Goldenview Drive; however this is *not* for a high transmission line.

Chugach is investigating the possibility of a high voltage line from Dimond to the Huffman substation. A route has not been chosen.

October 7<sup>th</sup> Candidates Forum at O'Malley's on the Green – has been scheduled. Mark your calendar. This is a very informative public meeting. Dianne Holmes is the contact person for this event.

Potter Valley Rd. resurfacing meeting will be held at Rabbit Creek Elementary School 7/14 from 5-8pm. No one understands why this is being done in light of the desperate conditions of other roads. Chances are we may never find out.

Tea is needed for council meetings. Please donate.

Rabbit Creek FlowerBed needs waterers. If you own a pick up and need an easy, fun community service project contact Susanne, 345-8171 or [golden1@gci.net](mailto:golden1@gci.net). Pick your hours and days and help keep our flowerbed looking great.

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**Legislative Report:** *Con Bunde* expressed dismay but no surprise at the failure of the Special legislative session to come up with solutions to pretty much any problems the governor asked them to address. There will be no fiscal plan, the Tobacco Tax compromise is in his opinion no good and he voted against it. Con also passed out a booklet as to why income taxes would be a bad idea. If you would like to look at this it will be on display at the next meeting.

*Assembly Members Janice Shamburg and Dick Tremaine* - Meetings with the Mayor may have encouraged some funding for the Hillside District Plan. The Equestrian Ordinance and the Short Plan amendment are being worked, the latter into the municipal attorney's office for review. AMATS, the mysterious process of road construction selection is working better.

**Committee Reports:**

*MHT or Forest Heights* – A drainage study is being done and a traffic study has been completed. Criteria for the studies are being researched.

*HDP (Hillside District Plan)* – The Municipality is not making any progress and appears to be stuck at a conceptual level. Those involved are looking to the other councils to proceed without the municipality.

*Trails and access* – There is not much going at this time to report.

*Potter Creek* – They are replacing sign at the bottom of the hill and the residents don't understand why the road is being resurfaced so soon.

*Rabbit Creek Greenbelt* – Trail designer has not flagged the area yet.

**Old Business:**

*Villages View* – The platting board required sewers and public roads. The developer indicates they will appeal.

*DeArmoun Road Update* - Therese Stokes and Sandra Cook from ADOT brought a "Project Status Update" which condensed their view of the project in terms of what has been done and what is coming. Many of the issues that have fueled the controversy surrounding this project were not answered to the satisfaction of those in attendance. Mayor Begich has requested to review the top 3 preferred routes and an optimistic "plan in hand" date is 10/19/04.

*Rabbit Creek Church* – An appeal has been filed by neighbors adjacent to the church and a petition with the required signatures was easy to obtain. Neighborhood opposition to the project is very strong.

*Short Plat ordinance* – Copies of draft were passed around and discussed with some modifications added. Motion by Dianne, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne to approve draft with modifications, passed 8 for, 1 abstain.

*Parks plan* – There is not enough parkland in south Anchorage and not enough connectivity. We are looking at ideas and avenues to get more community involvement.

**Items not on the Agenda:**

A letter was drafted to Howard Holten urging immediate assessment to the quality of inspections and code enforcement due to the huge number of violations. Motion by Carol to send with friendly amendment, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thom, passed unanimously.

**Adjourn:** 9pm

