

Rabbit Creek Community Council Meeting Minutes for Thursday, January 9, 2020

Location: Golden View Middle School Library

Board Roll Call - Present: Ky Holland (Co-Chair), Ann Rappoport (Co-Chair), Paul Gionet (Treasurer), David Sterling (Secretary), Keith Guyer, Judy Michael, Dianne Holmes, Bert Lewis, Joel Cladouhos, Mike Kenny

Absent: Jess Grunblatt

Board Member Co-Chair – Ky Holland - Opened the meeting at 7:06 pm. 9 board and over 13 members. Declared a General Membership Meeting.

- **Agenda – Motion Bert Lewis & 2nd Keith Guyer** - Approved as written, with some added items.
- **Minutes – Motion Keith Guyer & 2nd Judy Michael** - December Minutes – Approved as written.
- Attendance - Total with 23 RCCC members in attendance. General Membership Meeting.

Announcements & Legislative Reports:

- **Assembly Members for RCCC Area -**
 - Suzanne LaFrance – Contact info: Cell Phone: (907) 351-7199, Voicemail: (907) 343-4122, E-mail: LaFranceS@muni.org – Joshua Spring is Suzanne's aid speaking on her behalf tonight, since Suzanne is at a town hall meeting in Girdwood tonight. Working on Firewise funding at \$14k. Stormwater Utility Board still looking for committee members. Proposed taxes on table open for discussions and reason for town halls. Fred Dyson proposed 3% sales tax for 6 years with money to be split half for property tax relief and other half for Police services, Courts services, with a number of exemptions like food. How much revenue? Nothing known at this time. Alcohol tax – remove dedication of funding for first responders, with funds can be used for construction and operation of alcohol recovery center. Want to make sure it is not just Anchorage residents paying for it. Question-Will tax take the place of property tax? Alcohol Tax rate at minimum of 2% to maximum of 5%, any increase above 2% would terminate or reduce if reason for the money is no longer required. Next hearing is Jan 14th, to discuss these issues. Issues may be on April ballot. Questions: Seasonal tax? Income tax? Spring.joahua.a@gmail.com 907-793-0087. Ky advised good recent article in ADN.
 - John Weddleton – e-mail: WeddletonJ@muni.org – Not present tonight.
- **State Representatives** – Jenifer Johnston - not present tonight. Senator Cathy Giessel – not present tonight.
- **ASD School Board Member** – Alisha Hilde here tonight. School Board meeting to work on issues this weekend. Bond is multi-year bond. If it passes this year, no bond next year. \$82 million. Retiring \$112 million of bonds over next 2 years. There will be a drop in property taxes of \$32 million over 2 years. Half of proposed bond is for Gruening Middle School earthquake repairs. Other earthquake repairs. Aquarian Charter for a roof. Design of replacing Inlet View School. \$19 mil shortfall, which they always have so there are ways to overcome that from State contributions or other efficiencies. School on Base that was closed that has children going to other schools and some kids have major discipline problems. Ongoing discipline problem at all schools. Discipline is a super important problem that the Board is working on a lot. Alisha will give an update on this issue.
- **ANC Fire Department Station 10** – Not present tonight.
- **Treasurers Report** – Savings at \$316.21 + Checking at \$1,462.63= \$1,778.84
- **Carolyn Care Clift** – Candidate for State Senate – Introduced herself. Concerned about choices. Discussed various issues and her stand or learning about them. Does not support taxes. Libertarian. Limited Government. Handout.
- **HALO** - December meeting consisted of "Tales by Old Timers of the Anchorage Hillside." Available on You Tube. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jRfg0GonbAU>

New Business

- **2020 Board Report – Ann Rappoport** – Officer Board Meeting occurred 1/7/20. Results include:
 - Idea to offer babysitting being offered at RCCC meetings. Looking for sitter candidates.
 - Bob's Rules of Order, for the most part.
 - Annual calendar items like CIP, elections, Resiliency committee. LUT monthly meeting.
 - Communication to be worked on.
 - Need a volunteer to attend FCC meetings. Mike Kenny and Joel Cladouhos offered to be co-volunteers.
- **Authorizing for Mailing** - Annual mailing with flier to all property owners to advertise RCCC. FCC offered to do it at no cost to RCCC. Will tune up last year's mailer and have FCC send it out. Suggestion to wait for meeting with special importance. Final decision - Will move forward with mailer.
- **Signage Update Expenses** – Discussed updating with meeting locations that change. There is remaining authorized funding for signage if needed. ?Paul/Dianne? Where going to continue working on issue.
- **Metro 2040 - Nancy Pease** – This plan is done every 4 years with a 20 year look ahead to discuss transportation issues and ideas for Transportation from Eklutna to Potter Marsh. RCCC needs to get involved. Will update the 2016 plan. Rely on 2001 Comp Plan since that is the latest version. Goals are not very solid, word salad! Main projects of concern: Mountain Air Drive, Huffman Road from Pintail to Birch, Golden View Drive extending from Romania to Potter Valley. Plan proposed to turn Seward Hwy from 36th to 20th into freeway. Non-motorized section – Coastal Trail extension out to Potter Marsh. Trail along Elmore Road from DeArmoun to Rabbit Creek. Trail from Old Seward Hwy from DeArmoun to Rabbit Creek. Fireweed would have a road diet, reducing to 2-lanes. Downtown changing. Many other projects. Comments due by Feb 14th. Website is: www.MCC2040. LUT to meet and discuss this situation in detail. State and MOA issue.
- LUT – New Plats? – None received.
- **Motion Nancy Pease & 2nd Bert Lewis** – Rather than automatically send out emails, ask people if they want emails first. Suggest we let people Opt-in for these type of services. Send out email to everyone on list asking if we can send out future emails by Opting in, suggesting expected quantity of emails per month. If this is mechanically possible to be

done by FCC. Friendly amendment by Ann Rappoport to allow members to Opt-in or Opt-out. Motion cancelled by Nancy Pease. In favor of Dianne Holmes motion.

- **Motion Dianne Holmes & 2nd Bert Lewis** - Add link on the monthly email to all members with a link that shows the other issues of interest. No objections, Motion carries.

Old Business –

- **Gravel Issue of 5,000 cy versus 50,000 cy**, as described at last meeting. RCCC comments were sent. Issue goes to MOA Assembly.
- **Solarize Anchorage** – Got required minimum of 50 interested residents. Next step is reviewing RFP responses from solar contractors. 6 folks in selection committee. Will select a contractor. 1 of 4 neighborhoods in program for this year. Link on RCCC website for Solarize.
- **Firewise Resiliency - Ky Holland**- Handout with goals from a December meeting. HALO stepping up to participate. 1st Goal - 3rd week of May Fire Drill on a Saturday afternoon. Drill will be a tabletop drill by all agencies. 2nd Goal - Mini-fire drill by neighborhood. 3rd Goal - Develop an Emergency Watch Program. 4th Goal - Get Firewise designation. Next meeting Jan 20th 7:00 pm at Zoo Conference Room. May 2nd will be Chipper Day.
 - o **Motion GoFundMe Resilience Winter Staffing** - John See is off work for winter. Ky withdrew the motion.

RCCC Organizational Reports -

- Treasurers Review – Keith Guyer and Judy Michaels to help Paul Gionet review treasurers' reports for the year.
- Signs – Need to upgrade sign. Meeting locations need to be on signs. \$300 remaining from previously budgeted amount. David Sterling volunteered to work on upgrading signs.

Next Meeting – Will be at Bear Valley Elementary School Art Room, Rabbit Ck Rd & Mtn Air Dr.

Meeting adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 8:39 pm.