



RABBIT CREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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NEWSLETTER

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Mike Kenny, Chair

COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR:

Hi All,

MEETINGS AT RABBIT CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH JUNE, JULY, AUGUST

Fishing season is here, generating excitement and enthusiasm and at times over- exertion and not enough sleep. Please drive carefully; pull over and take a nap if needs be.

Additionally, there have been a couple of deaths in Alaska early this summer from shellfish tainted with PSP. The DEC advises that crab meat is considered safe but crab guts should not be eaten.

President Warren Harding in 1923, after driving the golden spike completing the Alaska Railroad, ate crab meat in Cordova and felt extreme discomfort. He died shortly after arriving in San Francisco.

Political season is right around the corner. There are highly contested races for each party's nomination for governor. The senate seat representing our Council's area is open with a handful of candidates.

The primary election is August 24, 2010. The voter registration deadline is Sunday, July 25, which is also the deadline for changing political affiliation.

Alaska has a closed primary which means that any registered voter may select the Alaskan Independence, Democratic, or Libertarian ballot.

Only voters registered as Republican, Nonpartisan, or Undeclared may select the Republican ballot.

We live in anxious times; a democracy works best when citizens are informed and involved voters.

Items of interest:

- The Mayor has hired a California firm, Viewpoint Learning, for \$55,000 (private & public money) to come to Anchorage and determine whether Anchorage residents prefer a possible \$20 million budget cut or a sales tax. Apparently California based Viewpoint is better able to determine what it is Alaskans want than is our home based talent.

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday July 8, 2010

Rabbit Creek
Community Church
3401 Rabbit Creek Rd.

Rabbit Creek

Community Council

P.O. Box 112354

Anchorage, Alaska 99511

RCCC 2010 Board Members:

Pat Abney

Joan Diamond Vice Chair

Keith Guyer

John Isby

Mike Kenny Chair

Kyle Murphy

Patty Rothwell Treasurer

David Sterling

Dick Tremaine Secretary

- Official Highway and Streets Program has convened a citizen's advisory committee to update the Long Range Transportation Plan. The OS&HP is primarily tasked with determining right of ways and classification of highways and streets as collectors, arterials , freeways or country lanes.
 - While this has minimal impact to our area we are interested in continuing the country lane classification which is slated for elimination.
- Title 21 is intended to complement other municipal, state and federal regulations that affect land use. This title will govern in any differences with the Anchorage 2020 comprehensive plan.
 - The Title 21 rewrite has been going on a long time but the end is near. The mayor has contracted with ex assembly person , Dan Coffey, to wrap up the deliberations. There are apparently items in T21 that special interests object to, either in commission or omission.
- ANCHORAGE UNITED FOR YOUTH -- Join Anchorage residents to discover how each one of us can contribute to making our community a better place for kids to grow up. Save the date___
When: Saturday, Sept. 18, 2010, 1 to 4 p.m.
Where: Dena'ina Convention Center
Who: Community members, parents, kids, families, YOU!
 To receive updates on this event [CLICK HERE!](#)

The Anchorage Parks & Trails Committee awarded a \$12,000 matching grant to the Bear Valley Community Council's Parks & Trails Committee for the revitalization of Storck Park.

Congratulations to the BVCC! They have the remainder of this summer and the summer of 2011 to come up with their \$12,000 match, either in-kind or cash. But they need a hand in matching the grant.

There are many ways you can volunteer that will be counted towards the match.

Please contact Laurie Holland at: bvccvicechair@yahoo.com or call Cheri Lipps at 345.1378.

Storck Park is in the RCCC neighborhood, let's help get it clean and cared for....

Be Well,

Mike Kenny

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JUNE MINUTES Not Available

RCCC---Agenda – Thursday July 8, 2010

- ❖ Call to order and introductions
- ❖ Approval of previous minutes
- ❖ Treasurers report
- ❖ Announcements & Comments from the floor

Legislative Reports

- ❖ State Legislators
- ❖ Assembly members

Guest Speakers

- ❖ Sue Rodman, AFD Forester—Whether the community supports the use of mechanical equipment to haul brush out from clearing areas
- ❖ Natasha Welch, APD Crime Watch--Information for our area (tentative)

Ongoing Business

- ❖ Title 21 – status of zoning code changes
- ❖ Mountain Air P&Z Hearing
- ❖ OS&HP—Country Lanes elimination

New Business

- ❖ Bear Valley—Storck Park Grant

Reports

- ❖ Neighborhood Association reports
- ❖ Federation of Community Council (FCC) report
- ❖ Limited Road Service Area (LRSA) reports

Minutes of Rabbit Creek Community Council Meeting, 2010

NOT AVAILABLE THIS MONTH

Home and Landowners Organization for the Anchorage Hillside

About HALO

Home And Landowners Organization, Inc. was formed in 1969 and incorporated in 1974, the year the Borough was absorbed into the Municipality under the Home Rule Charter. HALO's mission was to advocate for the rights and lifestyles of people residing outside the City of Anchorage in the newly unified Municipality. HALO continues to exist solely for that purpose. They encompass the original five G-areas (an early zoning designation), which is roughly southeast Anchorage, bounded on the north by Dowling Road and on the west by the Seward Highway.

2010 ACTIVITIES, MEETINGS & MINUTES

Regular HALO meetings take place the first Thursday of every month at the Holy Spirit Retreat Center, corner of Hillside & O'Malley, starting at 7:00 PM. [MAP](#).

Candidate Forums hosted by HALO take place at O'Malleys On The Green, 3651 O'Malley Road, Anchorage, AK. [MAP](#).

Next Meeting: August 5, 2010

Speaker: TBA

LATEST NEWSLETTER

CURRENT ISSUES

[Problem with your septic system? Here is an explanation of all the different types of septic systems.](#) Article By Bill Lamereaux 4-27-2010.

[The cost of new septic systems.](#) Article By Bill Lamereaux 4-27-2010.

[Chugach State Park Access Plan.](#) Article by Matt Moore, 4-26-2010.

[When the HDP finally made its way to the Anchorage Assembly.](#) Article by John Weddleton 4-23-2010.

[Diagrams showing nitrates in water wells on the Anchorage Hillside 1993-2006.](#)

[Bear problems in your neighborhood? A "Bear Rack" may be the solution for you.](#) Article by Beth Terry, October, 2000

HALO LINKS:

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