

**South Fork Community Council  
September 6, 2007 Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**Call to Order**

Meeting called to order by Bob Gill at 7:00 PM

**Introductions**

Bob Gill chaired meeting. Officers and all present were introduced.

June meeting notes were reviewed and approved.

**For the Record**

**Officers and Committee Members**

Present	Position	Name	Phone	E-mail address
*****	President	Bob Gill	694-2913	spullen@mtaonline.net
*****	1 <sup>st</sup> V.P.	Andrew Brewer	753-2757	Andrew.W.Brewer@pos02.usace.army.mil
*****	2 <sup>nd</sup> V.P.	Mike Adams	622-1222	mpladams@aol.com
*****	Secretary	Sara Pullen	694-2913	spullen@mtaonline.net
*****	Treasurer	John Cologgi	694-4423	cologgi@gci.net
*****	Officer at Large	Ken Butters	696-6916	northkuvasz@yahoo.com
	Officer at Large			
*****	Parks & Rec Rep	Andrew Brewer	753-2757	Andrew.W.Brewer@pos02.usace.army.mil
*****	Chamber of Commerce	Bob Gill	694-2914	spullen@mtaonline.net
*****	Road Board	Bob Gill	694-5413	spullen@mtaonline.net
*****	Road Board alt	Adrienne Lindholm	694-2102	hall_adrienne@hotmail.com

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**CANWIN presentation:** Troy & Laurie Lonvzel gave a slide and oral presentation about noxious weeds in Alaska. Their group is Citizens Against Noxious Weeds Invading the North. Their group is a non profit one which is seeking grant monies to deal with Canadian thistle and other noxious weeds in Alaska. Representative Johnson and Senator Dyson have told them they will be available to help with legislation. The Lonvzels want to obtain legislation which would prevent importation of noxious weeds by local companies and to deal with the eradication of thistle and other noxious weeds already here in Alaska. They are asking SFCC members to contact their legislators regarding noxious weeds in Alaska. Another point of contact is Jamie Nielsen, invasive weed person, at the Cooperative Extension Service. Their e-mail address is [AKCANWIN@aol.com](mailto:AKCANWIN@aol.com)

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**Representative Anna Fairclough:** Anna Fairclough attended the meeting and gave a brief presentation. Representative Fairclough recommends the SFCC send one letter in support of CANWIN for legislation. Her office is located in the Jack White Building in Eagle River. She reports with a 7% decline in oil revenues, we need a PPT before the legislature meets again. They hope to have a bill within the next two weeks. Governor Palin has a hybrid approach to the PPT.

**Treasury report:** \$168.89 per John Cologgi.

**Parks and Rec:** Andrew Brewer gave a report  
City continues to work on the new town center at Valley River Center where municipality offices will be located. \$1.2 million dollars is spent every year by Parks and Rec. There has been funding approved for a new multi-purpose room at the McDonald Center and ski loop behind Chugiak High School. Funding for the foot bridge over the confluence of the Eagle River did not get cut by the state of Alaska. DNR approval for the foot bridge has not been obtained yet. The parking lot at the back of the valley is still in the design phase and work will begin next summer. There will be expansion of the current parking lot and other amenities such as bathrooms. The parking lot is fully funded by the state of Alaska but has some wetland issues. The maintenance for Parks & Rec is up to John Rodda. Andrew Brewer is asking other SFCC members to serve as the Parks & Rec representative for SFCC.

**Chamber of Commerce:** No report

**Road Board:** Bob Gill gave a report.  
There was no summer meeting. The road board has prioritized funding for the Fire Lake flooding. West River Drive: there are 6 or 8 homeowners on the road—which has not been accepted as a municipal road. The homeowners have not been getting road services. Bob Gill has spoken to Bill Starr and one of the homeowners.  
Bill Starr commented that state parks has been a priority in the past year and now is time for roads. He suggested checking with John Rodda and to work with the Road Board.

**Community Roundtable:**

Bruce Gearaghty from Health & Human Services spoke on the VOA expansion project. Mr. Gearaghty reported there is no difference in the number of beds and no limit on the number of beds in a residential home. He reported that Anchorage has a limit of 8 beds for a group home. Several SFCC neighbors voiced concerns about depletion of resources: the demand on the aquifer, etc. One neighbor spoke about low yield wells in the Bernard subdivision, wells needing to be drilled down into the bedrock, deep fractures in the bedrock and low storage coefficients. Mr. Gearaghty reported the neighbors have not proven their point yet and that 8 new wells will be drilled along the road. His phone number is 269-1088 and email address is [bruce.geagherty@alaska.gov](mailto:bruce.geagherty@alaska.gov).

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Additional issues:

The Platting and Zoning hearing for the Janke Hydroelectric project will be next month.

Neighbors in the Birdsong area ask that a representative of Ravenwood properties be invited back to the SFCC meeting in regard to issues such as roads not being up to standard and to check on expansion of gas lines.

Mike Adams reminded members that nominations for officers will be due at the October & November meetings and elections will be held at the November meeting.

Bill Starr updated members about the guard rails are not in at Fire Lake and the new dam standards for TCAP. The work should be completed by the end of the month.

The turning lane to Eagle River High School on Eagle River Road has not been completed.

Anna Fairclough updated members about a meeting which Senator Dyson has called for 9/7/07 between 1300 to 1700 at 411 Aviation Drive to discuss new construction projects for next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 2040.

Next meeting is October 4, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Pullen  
Secretary SFCC

