

**South Fork Community Council  
February 7, 2008 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.

**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@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@mtaonline.net
*****	Officer at Large	Ken Butters	696-6916	
*****	Officer at Large	Randy Beilfuss	696-8287	rapapajo@gci.net
*****	Parks & Rec alternate	Andrew Brewer	753-2757	Andrew.W.Brewer@usace.army.mil
*****	Chamber of Commerce	Bob Gill	694-2914	spullen@mtaonline.net
*****	Road Board	Bob Gill	694-5413	spullen@mtaonline.net
	Parks & Rec Rep	Jessie Coltrane	694-4190	jessica.coltrane@alaska.gov

Community Council Rep: APD SGT. Denny Allen @ 786-2693

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January meeting notes were reviewed and approved with amendments.

**Confluence bridge site:** Bob Gill gave a report on the confluence bridge. The bridge site was not approved by all the parties who visited the site due to potential people/grizzly bear conflicts and erosion issues. It was recommended to divert the funds (\$200,000 total) to another area. The recommendation was made to expand and upgrade the park and ride lot near the entrance of the Hiland Road dump and the Eagle River Loop Road. Bob Gill and John Rodda are working together on the project and will keep SFCC members updated regarding the progress of the project.

**Teleconference with Senator Bunde and Representative Hawker**

Representative Hawker gave an update on the Senate Finance Committee.

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Senator Bunde gave an update on recent bills passed by the Senate and Senate Bill 122(municipal tax exemption bill). He also gave members an update on the Trans Canada Pipeline Company and answered members' questions.

Senator Bunde asked members to call his office at 465-4843 for specific questions on certain bills or proposals.

**RISE Alaska Project:** Don Simmons from RISE Alaska gave a presentation on the proposed shooting range and gave handouts to members. The site which has been selected is adjacent to the current shooting range at the Birchwood airport. Their website is [arcticptsi.com](http://arcticptsi.com) for both information and public comment. There will be a planning and zoning meeting re: the site on March 5, 2008. The proposed opening date for the shooting range is in 2010 and the estimated cost will be \$17 million dollars for four ranges and support ranges.

**Committee reports**

**Treasury report:** \$171.34 per John Cologgi.

**Parks and Rec:** Andrew Brewer gave a report. Jessie Coltrane has been approved as the Parks & Rec representative. She will not be able to attend the Feb and March meetings. Andrew Brewer brought up the issue there is no alternate for Parks & Recreation.

Motion made by Mike Adams to appoint Andrew Brewer as the Parks & Rec alternate for the South Fork Community Council. Seconded by John Cologgi and passed by members with no opposition.

Bob Gill will send both a letter and emails to our Assembly representatives, the Anchorage Assembly and the mayor's office.

Andrew Brewer spoke about the trails in the Yosemite Drive area—absence of trails in the area & part of the lands are owned by the Mental Health Trust and Heritage Land Bank. There are also maintenance issues with the proposed trails.

Several Eagle Pointe residents spoke about the need for ski trails for use by Eagle Pointe residents.

Bill Starr recommended members take mandates/issues from the community council to the Parks & Rec board to deal with the trails in Eagle Pointe. One of the Eagle Pointe neighbors volunteered to work with Andrew Brewer on the trails issue.

**Road Board:** Bob Gill gave a report.

Mary Jane Michael gave a presentation on the Valley River Center at the last road board meeting. Bob Gill updated members about the financing for the project.

Bill Starr updated members the final approval on the Valley River Center will come from the Assembly. The Eagle River Library is the busiest library in the city. Bill Starr spoke about the public and private funding for the project.

**Assembly update:** Bill Starr gave a report.

Chief Huen gave a crime report at the last chamber meeting and crime is down in the Chugiak/Eagle River area. There are now 3 police officers and 2 detectives covering the Chugiak/Eagle River area. Bill Starr will

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The property above Carl's Jr. restaurant has been given back to the bank. Bill Starr has alerted both APD and AFD regarding the abandoned condo site. There will be a good opportunity for Chapter 10 in Title 21 for condo oversight as well as sign ordinances and design standards. Mike Adams commented the separate chapter is important in cases such as this one and it impacts everyone around them.

**VOA update:** Elaine Dahlgren gave an update.

The VOA had an open house for neighbors. The building should be completed by the end of June, 2008. They have tested alot of wells in the area as well as their own. There will be 2 fire suppression tanks down stairs in the new VOA building (2--2,500 gallon tanks for fire suppression).

**Community Roundtable**

Neighbors at the back of the Hiland Road valley reported about speeders from the back of the valley and passing people coming down the hill. Neighbors report people driving 50-60 mph in a 30 mph zone. Alot of the speeding is occurring from mile 6.0 to 5.5.

Bob Gill will contact APD regarding getting extra officer coverage in the area, getting the smart cart placed in these areas and update neighbors at the next meeting. Neighbors are also recommended to call the non 911 APD phone number. Bob Gill will also speak to APD about red light runners at the Yosemite Drive and Hiland Road intersection.

Motion to adjourn at 9:11pm and motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Pullen  
Secretary SFCC