

Federation of Community Councils Meeting

November 2017

6:05 PM Meeting called to order

- A. Call to Order and Establish Quorum: Kyle Stevens
- B. Jeff Manfull motioned to approve, Tom Freeman seconded motioned approved
- C. Andrew Brewer motioned to approve, Bob Reupke second motioned Motion approved as amended
- D. Standing Committee Reports:
 - a. Federation of Community Councils Chair, Kyle Stevens
 - b. Federation of Community Councils Treasurer, Sam Moore
 - i. FCC Office was broken into and changes to accounts have been made to ensure security. Discussion and questions regarding break in.
 - c. FCC Outreach – Al Milspaugh
 - i. ADN Community updates \$25 each. Mayor had asked for outreach for youth to be involved with FCC and Al is meeting with ASD to work an outreach program out. Turnagain is meeting at West and teacher requires students to attend for 1 hour. Tom Freeman says students are attending the Eagle River Valley CC. Al Milspaugh is working on a master list of possible events and outreach opportunities.
 - d. Community Councils Center Manager, Mark Butler
 - i. Update on Vote By Mail and the emails to CC members. Send pictures of CCs and Mark has been uploading pictures of meeting locations. Mark is gone December 16th –January 3rd
- E. Municipality of Anchorage
 - a. Mayor’s Office, Jared James 343-7150 Jamesjs@muni.org
We will be receiving new representatives. Youth Advisory Commission. Nancy Burke for Homelessness – Bean’s Café is unable to get insurance approval to open for shelter. Mental Health Outreach. Overflow Elder Program to free up space at Brother Francis. Activate participation in boards, commissions, and community councils. Vote By Mail process. Public Safety 26 new officers, 19 graduating, next Academy is starting in December. ½ of all stolen vehicles are stolen with keys in the ignition. Estimated 312-2060 text for Bus Stop ID. WIC and Snap Benefits 312-2300 text “Food” for food stamps and text “Child” for WIC. Tom Freeman asked about Bus coverage for Chugiak and Eagle River. Dianne Holmes and Jeff Manfull asked to clarify staff member from Mayor’s Office at least four times per year. Vandalism in parks can be reported to Parks at 343-4554.
 - b. Anchorage Assembly – Dick Traini and Forrest Dunbar

- i. Gas Tax doesn't tax marine and aviation. David Nees has already filed an appeal. Assembly Budget is being proposed on November 21st. Fred Dyson is recommending cuts. Mayor has asked for \$500,000 to Homelessness. Traini is asking for 'Light' on Bragaw Road near fire station. Fuel Tax is 10 to 1 and goes into effect in March. Property Tax discussed. Bean's Café and Brother Francis Shelter and the use of First Responders discussed. Darryl Parks asked about Black Angus Inn. Assembly met and discussed Homelessness and Public Safety. Changes from 15 days to 10 days for notice for camps. Assembly heard about drone use and privacy concerns. Mayor's budget stresses public safety and fuels tax and property tax, certificates of participation take a loan out on muni buildings. Old retirement account and the account is being refinanced. Working with the Trustees the city will not be paying into the fund. We will be paying longer but it will lower the costs now. Recommend because interest rates are very low right now.
- c. Anchorage School Board – Dave Donely
 - i. Final discussion on Bond no major remodels and confined to roofs and safety and will be under \$56 million. State will no longer be chipping in the new Bonds in the future. Newer Bonds are 100% locally funded. Deciding legislative priorities should be focused on Anchorage or on the State. Compared to the next largest district, our students have much less voting power. AEA has agreed to 1 year with zero basic wage increase. Dianne Holmes asked about school roofs. Donely discussed over 90 school buildings and minimizing the cuts to teachers. Drones are being used to check roofs. Costs in public vs. private are much different and standards are much different. Darryl Parks asked about the number of facilities. Donely said some schools are being looked at to explore the most cost effective. Smallwood asked about PEAKS testing. Donely explained Alaska raised our test standards. 13th toughest test in the nation. Measures of academic progress are exciting too. Ed Graff in 2012, Dr. Bishop restructured staff in 2016 and proposed 4 jobs were downgraded, some jobs were eliminated, some were given pay increases and given more responsibilities. Cut \$85,000 from ASD budget. Last year Deputy Superintendent, Dr. Stock \$280,000 including benefits.

F. Presentations

- a. Anchorage Ride Sharing – Stacey Lawence and Ryan Leid, Enterprise Ride Share Program
 - i. Group of 5 or more people, over 18 years and 25 years old to drive. Enterprise covers insurance, 500 vehicles off the road because of this program. Saves money, no depreciation on vehicle, commute can be productive and saves time and reduces stress. Website EnterpriseRideShare.com Bob Reupke asked if driver is an employee of Enterprise. Stacey explained the driver is chosen by the other rideshare

members. Tom Freeman asked about coverage of Chugiak and Eagle River. Stacey said yes and encourages to go check out the website.

- b. Municipal GIS Information – Tina Miller, Civil Engineer Geographic Information Officer for MOA
 - i. Data is 8 years out of date and will be updated quarterly. Changes to map for each CC. Geographic Information System GIS data management. Increases transparency, increases access to information and increases services, keeps costs down. Governance People Infrastructure Data. MOA website and click on maps, Maps and Data. Looking for focus group volunteers. Call 343-6183 ancgis@muni.org
- c. Midtown Congestion Relief Study – Steve Noble, Dowl Engineers
 - i. Seward Hwy corridor from the Tudor Road interchange to approximately the 20th Avenue intersection, through Midtown Anchorage. Project timeline 2017-2019 PEL Study and Public and agency involvement 2019-2020 Environmental / design right of way and public and agency involvement 2020/2021 + Construction of project #1 (pending funding availability TBD Initiate additional projects recommended to PEL study when funding is available.

Motion from Jeff Manfull to extend the meeting until... Kyle Stevens made amendment to extend meeting until G and H on the agenda are finished. Amendment accepted by Jeff Manfull. Motion seconded and approved.

- d. Title 21 Stream Setbacks – Jeff Urbanus, Municipality Code changes to Stream Setback Ordinance. Goals include providing wider stream protection setbacks, to provide relief for property that would be impacted or rendered nonconforming by such wide setbacks. 343-8023
- G. Old Business:
- a. Council Procedures Review – Sam Moore Correcting incorrect emails will be corrected
- H. New Business: Next FCC Meeting January 17th, 2018
- I. Council Sharing Matt Cruickshank from Birchwood CC would like our support on their CC's stance on Comprehensive Plan. Settlement with MOA and AWWU should have updated their master plans to be in accord with our Comprehensive Plan.
- J. Comments by the Public
- K. Adjourn 8:14 PM