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Mountain View Community Council News

Mountain View Community Council Meeting

Mountain View Community Recreation Center

315 Price

Monday - February 10, 2003 - 7 PM

Council Meeting Agenda

7:00 Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of January Minutes

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Approval of February Agenda

Introduction of Special Guests

7:15 Committee Reports

Assembly Report - Allan Tesche

Community Center Report - Rick Henderson

Camp Fire - Robin Willis

Zoning Report - Barbara Bradford

Mt View Patrol - Randy Smith

Community Recreation Center Advisory Board - Niki Burrows

Safe Streets - Paul Palinski

8:00 Ship Creek Trail Update - Lori Schanche

8:30 Homeward Bound - Hillary Morgan

8:45 Arts & Cultural District in MV - Shelby Acteson

9:00 Habitat for Humanity Update - Jeri Bidinger

9:30 Old Business /New Business

9:45 ADJOURNMENT

Next Council Executive Meeting

Monday, February 24, 2003 at 7 PM

La Casita Del Mar 4133 Mountain View Dr

This is an open meeting - You are welcome

RECEIVED
Date: 2/20/03

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The Mountain View We Know and Love

I live in Mountain View and was shoveling my driveway Sunday afternoon (January 19). I was just getting to the hard berm between the sidewalk and the street when a pickup with a Western plow drove by. The driver stopped, backed up, took three swipes at the berm with his plow, and continued on his way without giving me a chance to thank him for finishing my job.

And so, I am writing this letter for two reasons. One, though it seems only bad things are reported about this neighborhood, there are also many good things that happen. Two, to say thank you to the kind gentleman and his dog (probably Rey Delsie and his dog Rocky) for his random act of kindness. Know that I will definitely pass it on.

- Mimi Laffamme

Safe Streets Committee

The Mountain View Community Council Safe Streets Committee is meeting again on the first and third Thursday of the month through probably April at 7 PM in the classroom on the main floor of the Mountain View Community Recreation Center.

The purpose of these meetings is to try to find workable solutions to the various problems that closing off our streets did not solve, or created. We knew that there would be some increased traffic in some of the alleys, etc., but we needed some time to see where and what other problems may have arisen.

If you have any problems you want the Committee to look at, or you have a solution to problems, join us on the first and third Thursdays. Call Paul Palinski for information - 276-4639.

Junk Car Removal

Rust In Peace Program: 786-8854, or call Barb at 277-2971 for other options.

FROM THE GRASS ROOTS OF MOUNTAIN VIEW

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The Mountain View Community Council and all its members would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks for your contribution. Citizens like yourself make a big difference in our community. **We need more people like you!**

Send to:

Mountain View Community Council President: Randy Smith
608 N Klevin 272-4672
Anchorage AK 99508-1438 Treasurer: Niki Burrows
274-1179

Name _____

Your donation in the amount of \$ _____ is Tax Deductible.

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Treasurer

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1989 USA NEIGHBORHOOD OF THE YEAR**

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\$ _____ **As Needed** \$ _____ Machine Maint/Repair

\$ _____ Patrol Account \$ _____ Awards

\$ _____ Office Supplies \$ _____ New Copier

\$ _____ Computer Supplies

\$ _____ Phone \$ _____ Clean Up

E-Mail Address _____

Donation Needs

Donation form faces this page. Here are the current balances, so that you may decide where you want your donation to go.

\$ 124.60	Neighborhood Planning
27.35	Office Supplies
.42	Computer Supplies
7.39	Phone
81.87	Awards
101.50	Machine Maint/Repair
54.79	Sunshine Account
128.00	New Copier
<204.30>	Patrol Account
.93	Fun Day
62.35	CleanUp
1639.49	Patrol Grant Funds (for specific purchases
\$2024.39	Total

Thank You!

Thank you for meeting our needs every month. You are the best community in the Municipality by far!! No other Council gets such participation and support. Your Executive Committee truly appreciates you!

As your Treasurer, I really appreciate those "As Needed" donations - it makes my job so much easier to be able to put the money where we need it at the time!! **THANK YOU!**

Spring CleanUp is Coming!

Saturday May 3 - Saturday May 10

Large Item Pick Up will be

Thursday May 8,

Friday May 9, and Saturday May 10

Volunteer to supervise the lot at

Brewsters. Call Randy - 272-4672.

MUNIVERSITY

A series of lectures designed to give citizens an opportunity to better understand local government processes. As a result of Muniversity, informed citizens will work more effectively with local government agencies.

WHERE: All Muniversity classes will be held in the Assembly Chambers at the Loussac Library.

WHEN: Muniversity lectures will be held on Tuesday's: Jan 14, 2003 – March 11, 2003.

Additional classes may be scheduled.

TIME: All lectures will be held from noon to 1pm.

RSVP's: Please RSVP to handysidehm@ci.anchorage.ak.us or by calling 343-6114. (About 200 people are attending these lectures.)

January 14th: Municipal Government 101 - Archive

January 21st: The Changing Role of Local Government - Archive

January 28th: Anchorage Law Enforcement and Crime Prevention

- Archive

Local law enforcement efforts began in 1920 when Anchorage was still a tent city and US Marshals were employed to keep the peace. Today the Anchorage Police Department is the largest police department in Alaska and serves a population of roughly 227,000. This lecture will give an overview of the Canine Unit, Homicide Response Team, Hostage Negotiations Team, Bomb Team and other special APD units. Learn about recent trends in criminal activity, how 9-1-1 dispatch operates, and new strategies that are being utilized in local crime prevention efforts.

February 4th: Community Lifelines – Fire Fighters and

Paramedics

Anchorage's unique geography and urban/rural character present special challenges for local emergency responders. The Anchorage fire service area covers the immediate 450 square miles of the Anchorage bowl; EMS coverage extends throughout the 1,980 square miles of the entire Municipality. Rescue and fire response are trained to respond to emergencies in urban areas as well as remote locations only accessible by 4-wheel drive and helicopters. Learn about the programs, training and new technology that the AFD uses to protect lives and property and the strategies the department uses to prevent wildland fires.

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February 11th: Prescription for a Healthy Community

The Department of Health and Human Services enhances the quality of life for the people of Anchorage by promoting good physical and mental health, preventing illness, protecting the environment, and helping people in need. The department oversees a wide range of aspects of community health and wellness including clean air and water, safe food, immunizations, and family planning. Find out how your local government is administering these programs, where the funding comes from, and what kind of impact these programs can make on crime, domestic violence, disease, literacy and welfare dependency.

February 18th: MOA Budget: Making, Managing and Monitoring Money

In 2001, the Municipality of Anchorage mailed out over 154,000 tax bills and collected approximately \$280,000,000, on behalf of General Government and the Anchorage School District. Tax revenues collected provide primary funding for city services like public safety, education, roads and transportation, health and human services and cultural and recreational services. How can taxpayers be assured that they are getting the most "bang for their buck"?

This lecture will describe how budgets are created, how the priorities for local government services are determined, how government spending is monitored and who manages local government's "checkbook". Most importantly, it will provide an overview of how the city holds itself accountable for translating each dollar spent into valued results through the use of our Investing for Results! performance management program.

February 25th: Workforce Development (overview in development)

March 4th: Maintenance Matters: Roads and Other Public Resources

Anchorage winters are tough on roads. Keeping Anchorage roads and highways clear of snow and ice during the winter months – and performing maintenance and new construction on roadways during the brief summer months – can be a significant challenge. Every snowfall, the Department of Street Maintenance plows snow from 1,237 miles of residential and arterial roads, 200 miles of sidewalks, and 26.8 miles of cross-country ski trails. In addition, the department maintains over 7,000 streetlights, maintains 9 ice/hockey rinks, libraries, museums, recreations centers and other facilities with high

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public use. This lecture will discuss how the programs of the Street Maintenance department are managed and how priorities are determined for these vital city resources.

March 11th: Traffic and Urban Transportation

Transportation programs and traffic patterns can make an impact beyond the safe and efficient movement of people and goods on the streets of Anchorage. During this lecture, speakers will provide an overview of how transportation fits into the overall picture of our community. How can transportation impact the economy, public safety, quality of life, and community development? Find out how traffic patterns are developed and how traffic calming measures can enhance the viability of local neighborhoods. Other issues to be discussed include pedestrian safety, signals and AMATS.

Building a Better Community (date to be determined)

Good planning makes for livable neighborhoods, a safe and healthy community, and a sustainable economy. How does local government ensure that community growth and development provides all the amenities needed for a modern, prosperous city while still retaining the rural character that many residents enjoy? In 2001, the Municipality adopted "Anchorage 2020", a new comprehensive plan that will shape the future of our community. Following the guidelines of the new plan, work on town centers is underway and a new parks and open space plan will begin late this year. This lecture will discuss the history of the 20/20 plan, and overview of Title 21, our land use code, sign ordinance, and retail store design standards. Attendees will learn about the important role citizens play in the planning and development process.

*All classes are subject to change. Call 343-6114 for latest class schedule and to RSVP.

Committee Forming to Number all Houses in Mountain View

The Mountain View Community Council is forming a committee whose members will take on the job of making sure every property in Mountain View is properly numbered so that emergency equipment and personnel can locate a particular address when needed.

Emergency response can be slowed considerably if your house number is not visible from the street AND from the alley. Let's remedy that situation this Spring. Call Randy 272-4672 to help.