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March 2004

Mountain View Community Council News

Mountain View Community Council Meeting
Mountain View Community Recreation Center

315 Price

Monday - March 8, 2004

7 PM

Council Meeting Agenda

7:00 **Call to Order**

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of February Minutes

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Approval of March Agenda

Introduction of Special Guests

7:15 **Committee Reports**

Assembly Report - Allan Tesche

Legislative Reports - Sen. Guess/Rep. Gruenberg

Community Center Report - Rick Henderson

Zoning Report - Kerry Hawkins

Mountain View Patrol - Fred Schriener

Community Recreation Center Adv Comm. - Tom Blackbird

8:00 **APD -**

World Changers - Lori Nealley

School Bonds - Roger Feidler

Muni Bonds - Robert Posma

Small Business Workshop - David Alexander

Old Business /New Business

10:00 **ADJOURNMENT**

Next Council Executive Meeting
Monday, March 29, 2004 at 7 PM
Mountain View Community Recreation Center
This is an open meeting - You are welcome

Donation Needs

\$	124.60	Neighborhood Planning
	177.52	Office Supplies
	248.86	Computer Supplies
	432.78	Phone
	206.87	Awards
	271.50	Machine Maint/Repair
	147.66	Sunshine Account
	138.00	New Copier
	987.79	Patrol Account
	11.79	Fun Day
	111.59	CleanUp
\$	2858.93	Total

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!**

Pick Up the Trash!
As the snow melts around
your residence,
please pick up the trash -
this will give us a headstart on
the Clean Up program.

The Rust In Peace program is still in effect. The Municipality will remove a junk vehicle from your property if you have title to it. Call 786-8854.

Habitat for Humanity in Mountain View

Habitat for Humanity-Anchorage and about 1000 volunteers enjoyed another beautiful summer in Mountain View in 2003. Starting early in May, we cleared, excavated and built 4 buildings. Two were duplexes, at the corner of Bragaw and Peterkin—right on the main drag coming into Mountain View! The other two were single-family homes, one at 310 Flower St. and one at 238 Park St.

By the time you read this, all six families will be living in their new homes—six families with 16 children, who no longer live in standard housing, who will stay in the same schools from year to year – families that will now be paying property taxes on previously vacant lots.

We had some exciting changes in our program for 2003! The duplexes were our first effort at building a condominium project—in the next two years we'll add 4 more duplexes, twelve units total, to this project. We asked for planning advice from the community; in fact, John Peirce, who lives on Irwin St., was an important member of our Design Committee that created this brand-new duplex. We added tons of windows, roofing variations, a designer color scheme – and we'll follow it up with carpents and professional-grade landscaping in order to complete the total "curb appeal" package. We think they look terrific—hope you do, too! John was also our Super Volunteer this summer, putting in many hundreds of hours at the construction site!

In addition, we upgraded our energy systems in the homes and the duplexes, from the Anchorage "standard" of 4-Star Plus to 5-Star, which means the homes will be more comfortable with better indoor air quality, and be less expensive to heat – better than any we've built before.

We're getting ready now for another construction season in 2004, where we'll build two more duplexes and two single-family houses in Mountain View. Call us at 272-0800 if you want to get involved. We hope to see many of you this summer in beautiful downtown Mountain View!

Missing Flags!

Did you retrieve any flags from the Garden Art Park that had blown down? Several are missing and the Council would like to retrieve them, so they can be displayed again in the Spring. If you or someone you know has any of them, please call Niki at 274-1179 to arrange for returning them. Thank you!

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Mountain View Drive Design Study Report Draft Complete

The Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) has completed a draft Design Study Report for reconstruction and improvements to Mountain View Drive from the Glenn Highway to Commercial Drive.

How to Get a Copy of the Study

The copies of the studies have been provided to the Mt. View Community Council and placed for public access at the Mt. View Community Center and the Loussac Headquarters Library. The report can also be viewed at the following link, using Adobe Acrobat Reader:

<http://www.theboutecompany.com/projects/mview/drafts/>

Please take a look at the study and forward any comments you have to Jacques Boutet at: 522-6776 (voice), 522-6779 (fax), or Jacques@theboutecompany.com (e-mail).

Volunteers Needed!!!!!!

CleanUp

Clean Up is Saturday, May 1st through Sunday, May 8th. Please help make this a successful Clean Up by volunteering whatever time you can. Needed: At least 3 volunteers on the weekends at the drop off site at the Brewster's parking lot (1 to help unload and 1 on the entrance and 1 at the exit to direct people to the right area; 2 people Monday through Wednesday.

Large item pick up will run from Thursday through Saturday, and 20 to 30 people will be needed to load the items into the trucks, etc.

Lunch will be served those 3 days for those who help. Call Kerry Hawkins at 272-2697 to volunteer - today!

Fun Day

Time to put the 4th of July on your volunteer calendar! It falls on Sunday this year. This is an excellent opportunity to meet your neighbors and share a fun time.

I need a couple of people to raise funds for the food prior to the end of June - someone to arrange for plenty of ice.

On the 4th I need 8 good people to set up the canopies, 6 people to cook (take turns and spell each other), 5 people to serve, a good "runner" to keep the food and drinks supplied, and everyone to help clean up. We start serving at 11:30 AM and quit at 3 PM - or when the food runs out. Call Niki at 274-1179 to volunteer - today!

FROM THE GRASS ROOTS

OF MOUNTAIN VIEW

March 2004

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: Tom Blackburn
608 N Klevin 279-7535
Anchorage AK 99508-1438 Treasurer: Niki Burrows
274-1179

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Homelessness Task Force

In response to the long-standing impacts of homelessness in Anchorage, Mayor Begich has appointed the multi-disciplinary "Task Force on Homelessness". As a subcommittee of the Housing and Neighborhood Development (HAND) Commission, this task force is charged with developing a vision for how our city addresses homelessness by the year 2020, as well as identify initial action steps to achieve the vision. To aid in this critical endeavor, the Task Force will be given presentations on homelessness from the experts in the Anchorage Community and invite comments from interested members of the public. The Task Force is composed of representatives from homeless and formerly homeless people, nonprofit agencies, public safety personnel, businesses, the school district, government officials and charitable foundations.

"Homelessness is an issue that affects not only the individuals who find themselves without housing," says Mayor Begich, "but one that has impacts on businesses, family members, schools, and a multitude of other interests in the community. It's simply something we cannot afford to ignore. As a community we need a coordinated vision and approach to this critical problem."

The Chair of the new Task Force, Hilary Morgan of Rural Alaska Community Action Program's Homeward Bound program, adds "This Task Force will address all populations within the homeless continuum. Each member is being asked to bring his or her expertise to the table, while setting aside personal and professional agendas to better serve the community as a whole. This coordinated gathering of diverse viewpoints and experience addressing all aspects of homelessness is long overdue. The vision and action steps we will produce this year will serve as a community blueprint on homelessness for years to come."

The Task Force will be meeting the fourth Tuesday of every month from 4:00 -6:00 pm in the Mayor's Conference Room, 632 W. 6th Avenue, Suite 830 from January – December, 2004. The public is welcome to attend. In addition, task force agendas, minutes, readings and a linked email can be reached on the web at www.muni.org. This will bring you to the Mayor's website, click on Mayor's Task Force. All public input is sought!

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Join the Mountain View Community Patrol

Volunteer applications are being taken for the Mountain View Community Patrol. If you have a few hours a week and can pass a background check, your help is needed. Please call Fred at 223-9524.

Kids Cafe

Kids Cafe has replaced Kids Kitchen at the Mountain View Community Center at 315 N Price. This program is sponsored by Beans Cafe and is open Monday through Friday at 5 PM.

Children receiving meals also help with the serving and cleanup.

Mountain View Arts and Cultural District Meeting

The Steering Committee invites you to come to a meeting to find out what the Mountain View Arts and Cultural District is all about and what progress has been made to date. It is an exciting project to revitalize Mountain View! Come ask questions. Join the Team!!

**Tuesday, March 16, 2004
7 - 9 PM**

**Multi-Purpose Room
Mountain View Community Center
Facilitator will be
David Boehlke**

Boys and Girls Club

Front Desk: 297-5403 Kid's Line 297-5414
Teen Room 297-5405

- March 2 - Tuesday Adventure - Fur Rondy
- March 6 - Saturday Field Trip - Swimming - YMCA
- March 16 - Tuesday Adventure - Haunted House?
- March 20 - Field trip - Swimming - YMCA
- March 23 - Field Trip - Jump Rope - Challenge at Eagle River
- March 24 - Field Trip - All Club Challenge at Woodland Park
- March 25 - Field Trip - Geography Bee at Mat-Su
- March 26 - Club Competition - Go Girl-A-Thon

JOIN TODAY!