

General Meeting MINUTES *Final*
Huffman-O'Malley Community Council
Thursday, November 16, 2023 @ 7:00 PM

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Due to weather, we met via Zoom only in November. We will return to hybrid meetings in December, weather permitting

1) Call to order at 7:00PM by Rachel Ries

2) Welcome and Introductions

Present: Executive Board: Rachel Ries- President, Gretchen Stoddard- Vice President, Trina Lovdahl- Treasurer, Shannon Wileman- Secretary, Members- Katie Nolan, Nick Mazzolini, Marcy Tompkins.

Absent: John Yeafoli, Jenna Wright, Lisa Huffman

3) Agenda

a. Call for additions and approval of agenda

1. Approval of August 2023 minutes- as amended, Gretchen approved, Trina 2nd

4) Minutes

a. Approval of October 2023- waiting until next meeting

b. Approval of August 2023- Gretchen motioned to approve, Trina 2nd

5) Political Representatives' Reports (4min each speaking, 4min questions)

a. Legislators

Senator Cathy Giessel- District E- not present

1. Contact her with any question/concerns

a. Sen.Cathy.Geissel@akleg.gov

b. (907) 465-4843

c. www.alaskasenate.org

d. Sign up to receive her newsletter via email or website above

Senator James Kaufman- District D-

1. Contact him with any questions/concerns

a. Sen.kames.kaufman@akleg.gov

b. (907) 465-4843

c. www.senatorkaufman.com

d. Sign up for his email list or schedule a 15 minute meeting through his website above

2. Investigating gap between LRSA, Muni and State for plowing out O'Malley Elementary with the unprecedented snow dump
3. State is compensating the Muni for plowing state roads. State contracts weren't in place and ready for massive November snow
4. Taking requests for Capital projects

Representative Julie Coulombe- HD 11-

1. Contact her with any questions/concerns
 - a. Representative.Julie.Coulombe@akleg.gov
 - b. (907) 748-4377
 - c. www.akleg.gov or www.julieforalaska.com
2. Investigating gap between LRSA, Muni and State for plowing out O'Malley Elementary with the unprecedented snow dump
3. 12/7- Public open house re: Vanguard Drive/Academy 5:30-7:30
4. 12/2- Randy and Julie @ Huffman Kaladis 8-10am
5. On Childcare task force- 1st draft recommendations came out. Public comment period is 11/15-11/27. There is a virtual public comment hearing on 11/29 @5:30-7:30. Go to ddaalaska.com/alaskachildcartaskforce/ for more info.

Representative Laddie Shaw- HD 9- Not Present

b. Mayor's staff- Not Present

c. District 6 Assembly Updates

Assembly Member Randy Sulte- not present but forwarded a report to Rachel.

1. Contact: randy.sulte@anchorageak.gov, 907-229-2977
2. Is at Kaladi's on Old Seward/Huffman every Saturday 8-10am when he is in town.
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4. Report includes discussion regarding AO2023-107, AO2023-110, AO-87(S) (housing/zoning); AO2023-116 (Lease of Sullivan); AO2023-59 (Chugach State Park Service Area Bond Ballot); FY2024 Budget Cycle Timeline; Cold Weather Shelter Response.

Assembly Member Zac Johnson- Not Present

1. Contact: zac.johnson@anchorageak.gov , (907) 206-0753

School Board Representative- Pat Higgins

1. Contact: higgins_pat@asdk12.org , schoolboard@asdk12.org
2. ASD Undergoing an internal auditing process

3. Career Academy discussion- see ASD website for more info

Other representatives from Police, Fire, JBER, or schools- none

- d. Local project presentation, Huffman Road: Old Seward to Lake Otis Undergrounding Project- Mike Miller and Darvin Thornton from Chugach Electric
1. Project will underground about 1 mile of existing overhead distribution and sub-transmission circuits on Huffman Rd. from the East side of Old Seward to the east side of Lake Otis between May 2024- October 2024
 2. Facilities will be installed on private property whenever feasible because of the reliability, maintenance, and safety that comes with being away from roadways.
 3. Most properties will be subject to either conventional trenching or directional drilling. Fence removals may be necessary and will have temp fencing placed where possible. Trees and shrubs in easement will be cleared. Any obstructions in trench paths will be removed and/or relocated.
 4. Property owners will be provided with a combination of one or more of the following options:
 - a. Retain service via new underground cable routed to the exiting meter base
 - b. Retain service via new underground cable by upgrading or relocating meter base equipment.
 - c. Remain served by existing overhead service wire.
 - d. The costs for digging in or intercepting any service cables, including hydroseed after installation will all be covered by Chugach as part of the Undergrounding project.
- 6) Homelessness Commission Discussion UPDATE, Clean Slate Strategy- Rachel
- a. Most recent meeting 11/8/23.
 - b. Joan Henry of Oceanview Community Council is the point of contact
 - c. Concerns regarding fires and low barriers
- 7) Reports (2 min ea.)- Please announce if you have anything to report
- a. Treasurer's Report- T Lovdahl- Current Balance is \$227.85

****Power outage ended meeting early at 8:35pm****

- b. HALO – Nolan- Katie-
- c. Traffic Calming Report – new volunteer requested
- d. Crime Report – New Volunteer
- e. Outreach- Wright- Not present
- f. Attendance questions- Mazzolini- No questions
- g. FCC – Stoddard- None

- 8) President's Report
 - a. Incoming Correspondence- newsletter highlights
 - b. Outgoing Correspondence- Capital Improvement Project priorities- will discuss preferences next meeting
- 9) New Business
 - Next meeting Thursday December 21, 2023??**
 - Introduce Candidates for elected office – 2 minutes plus Q&A if time allows.**
 - Other New Business**

Adjournment at 8:35pm

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Next Meeting- Thursday, December 21 2023
Thursday, January 18 2023