

**Federation of Community Councils
Manager's Report
August 19, 2009**

Office:

Construction is expected to begin within the next two weeks on the renovation of the Council Center offices on Fireweed Lane. The contents of the office (most of the office furniture and files) have been moved into a storage area. It should take at least two to three weeks to complete the office renovations. Once the work starts I will move the computer into a separate area of the building. After the renovation is complete will then order the new computers and switch over our data to the new machines.

Annual Picnic:

The annual FCC picnic (and June meeting) was held on June 17th in Valley of the Moon Park. There were not enough delegates in attendance in order to reach a quorum so the annual elections were not held and the current board members remained in office. There was a lot of good food available for those that did attend (most of which was prepared by spouses of the delegates!) Thank you Peter Hamlett for bringing your wife and her pasta salad! Elections will therefore be held at this week's meeting.

Reducing our USPS mailings expense:

Newsletter printing and USPS postage is the single largest single item in our FCC budget. We would appreciate if each council president would ask their members to receive their council newsletters by email rather than USPS mail if at all possible. We realize that some members will want to still keep receiving them by mail.

State Grants administered:

All grant reports are up to date. I am in the process of paying invoices for the C/ER Consortium and Airport Heights CC grants.

Neighborhoods, USA (NUSA) Conference:

FCC representatives Jason Bergerson, Berni Bradley, Sheli Dodson and Mark Butler headed down to Spokane, Washington to attend the 2009 NUSA conference in order to learn more about organizing the conference for Anchorage in 2011. I took lots of pictures that documented the NUSA conference. I created a PowerPoint presentation of the event that we will show at the September FCC meeting.

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