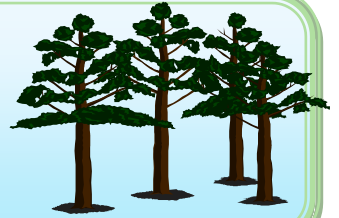


RABBIT CREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

August 2011 NEWSLETTER



MEETING:

Thursday August 11, 2011

Rabbit Creek Church

August Meeting Agenda

Call to order

Welcome and Introductions

Consent Agenda Items

- a. Approval of June minutes
- b. Treasurer's report

Legislative Reports

- State Legislators
- Assembly members

Old Business

Updates on the following projects:

- Goldenvue Drive Upgrade
- Potter Highlands
- Mountain Air Extension
- Flower Garden at Rabbit Creek & New Seward
- HLB

New Business

Committee Reports

- Heritage Land Bank - Dianne Holmes
- Parks - Steve Clapp
- HALO - Pat Abney
- FCC - Dick Tremaine
- Webpage - Pat Hansen

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Pat Abney	Director
Steve Clapp	Director
Joan Diamond	Vice-Chair
Keith Guyer	Secretary
Pat Hansen	Chair
John Isby	Co-Secretary
Wray Kinard	Director
Kyle Murphy	Director
Patty Rothwell	Treasurer
David Sterling	Director
Dick Tremaine	Director

ITEMS OF INTEREST

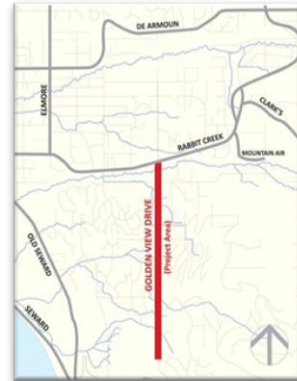


PROJECT UPDATE AUGUST 3, 2011

Geotechnical Studies Underway

August 4 - 20th, 2011

- Starting August 4, 2011 the geotechnical team from Golder Associates will be out on Golden View Drive to collect soil, rock and other subsurface material samples.
- Workers will be in the roadway and along the shoulders with a drill rig to bore holes in the asphalt.
- Geotechnical sampling work is anticipated to be completed by August 20, 2011.
- If you have questions about this geotechnical work or other aspects of the road upgrade project, please give **CRW Engineering Group** a call at 562.3252.



www.goldenviewdrive.com



EverGreen Nursery has generously agreed to water our garden this summer.
Please remember them when shopping for your garden.
12580 Old Seward (Huffman round about & Old Seward)

2011 Membership Form

Return to: Rabbit Creek Community Council, PO Box 112354, Anchorage, AK 99511

Dues (circle one): \$3/person or \$5 / couple (family)

Name(s): _____

Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

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To receive the newsletter, circle the preferred format: **e-mail, U.S. Postal, none**

Note: E-mail reduces paper use and saves your community council money

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Minutes of Rabbit Creek Community Council Meeting, June 9, 2011

Rabbit Creek Church

Present: Pat Hansen, Joan Diamond, Pat Abney, Patty Rothwell, Dick Tremaine, and 9 additional members of the community present.

Meeting begun 7:05 pm, quorum present at 7:15 pm.

No legislators or Assembly members were present.

The meeting began as an informal discussion of topics until quorum established.

- Motion to approve May minutes by Rothwell, second Diamond, passed unanimously with spelling changes noted.

Garden at Rabbit creek Road and New Seward Highway triangle – In order for this to occur a coordinator is needed – volunteers to contact Pat Hansen. Evergreen Nursery has volunteered to water the plants. The Muni was prepared to give us hundreds of annuals but there were too many. A decision by volunteers has been made to go with perennials and Evergreen will donate many of those as well. The Muni will put a sign up at the garden.

Potter Highlands (south of Legacy Point, just north of the Potter road with eventual connection at the curve) – Was before P&Z earlier in June. Most of the Commission seemed to be uniformed on the whole packet and staff (many of whom are new) were not fully versed on the Hillside District Plan such as trail connectivity. P&Z approved 4' paved shoulders, dedicated legal easement on paved paths, and trails on spur roads. They did not mention coordination with the school district for buses using the interior roads. There will only be 30 lots and therefore under revised code the subdivision will not need a 2nd fire exit. The developer, Connie Yoshimura, has expressed interest in having a Citizen Advisory Committee and volunteers are needed.

Goldenview Drive – There was an open house May 16 concerning this project and there is a web site: www.goldenviewdrive.com. There will be an advisory group and applications are being accepted, see the web site.

Well water monitoring study –The study is using existing well testing data from home sales to examine well contamination on the hillside. RCCC will ask Assemblymembers Birch and Johnson to pass a resolution to accept the report for inclusion into the District Plan when it is completed. The report, required under the Hillside District Plan, is being funded by HALO rather than the Muni (due to lack of Muni funds). Individual contributions are accepted.

- Motion to contribute \$200 towards study expenses by Rothwell, second Abney, passed unanimously.

Canyon View LLC – went before platting and they appear to have incorporated RCCC's comments.

Mountain Air Extension – P&Z delayed hearing this issue until July.

HLB 5 year plan – Years ago HLB purchased the 13 acre parcel on the south end of Goldenview adjacent to Legacy Point as a potential school site. Two years ago the 5 year plan put it on the disposal list with no specific site study as is required. The current 5 year plan continues this error. RCCC sent a letter two weeks ago saying that the Potter Valley Land Use Analysis and Hillside District Plan are not being considered in this disposal proposal. HLB staff is reticent to do any study saying they know enough already. The 5 year plan is before the Assembly mid-June.

- Motion to contact Assembly members about changes to the HLB 5 year Plan to make it accurate to the Potter Valley analysis by Diamond, second Rothwell, passed unanimously.

(ex)Lions Club lot – The infamous corner of Rabbit Creek and Old Seward Highway roads. The land is owned by BLM and the building was quick claimed by the Lions Club to its last president. Essentially, the owner of the building is squatting on public land and BLM is not taking eviction (or clean up) action. Gary Reimer, BLM District Manager, states that he does not want to kick someone out of their house. However, since the lot is suppose to go to a non-profit, they are looking for such a group to show interest. Bird TLC did show some interest but has backed off. Is there another non-profit interested in free land?

Snowshoe Park access – Several years ago a homeowner adjacent to Snowshoe Park cut a number of trees in the park and used the property as his own. An agreement with the Muni was reached which required restoration and a municipal easement. The property has since been sold and there is a new owner. There was a general community understanding that the easement was for public use. The current property owner and his attorney assert that such public access has never been dedicated insomuch as the easement was “not granted as an easement dedicated to the public (but this shall not preclude the [Municipality] from making a subsequent dedication and grant of the easement to the public by an express written document, if it determines such to be appropriate in the future.)” Such subsequent dedication has not occurred.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.