

# Birchwood Community Council

## Meeting Minutes of September 22, 2010

Bobbi Wells called the regularly scheduled Birchwood Community Council meeting to order at 7:00 pm with 15 members in attendance.

Minutes for May 26 meeting approved as written

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

MTA & ACS are improving their wireless communication service in our area. The use of an AT&T existing cell tower will allow this to happen without building a new tower. There will be no additional height involved with the upgrade. Bobbi brings copies of a letter from Bonnie Bailey, MTA to the meeting.

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

Bobbi Wells introduces **Jim Arnesen with Eklutna Inc.** Jim gave a presentation on the progress of the airport gravel extraction project. The gravel train will run in the AM only at this time. There was a discussion on the vegetation and access points in regards to the surrounding berm. Jim informed the council that the New Glenn lighting project that will take place between South Birchwood and Eklutna and was awarded to Elcon. One possible place that the light poles and supplies may be temporarily stored and staged is the airport gravel extraction site.

Various sites for a **future elementary school** have been identified; the preferred site is on Terrace lane on Eklutna property. There will be a public hearing on Oct 4 2010.

Bobbi Wells introduces **Van Le with MOA – AMATS.** Van Le explained the Official Streets & Highways Plan (OSHP) and how it will affect Birchwood. Chugiak-Eagle River previously had a separate LRTP, now it has been combined with Anchorage bowl and Girdwood. She discussed the difference between arterials and connectors how the roads are studied for traffic patterns, uses, zoning districts and future impact. The different classifications of roads determine the width of easement, how many lanes and what type of sidewalks or paths may be added.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The members of Birchwood Community patrol have requested a legislative Grant to fund their patrols. A motion was made to increase the limit of the previously approved **MOTION** of March, 2010 for the grant. 1 Barb Trost, 2 Jill

### **REPORTS:**

Consortium of Community Councils, Bobbi reports; there is a web site available for review of the draft chapter 10 land use regulations [www.ASWCD.org](http://www.ASWCD.org). Bobbi explained the process, how the individual councils are working on the draft, it goes thru the P&Z Board and the Assembly for approval and the need for public input.

Adjourn 9 PM

Gail Davidson McCain Secretary