BIRCHWOOD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes of March 25 2009

- 1. Bobbi Wells called the regularly scheduled Birchwood Community Council meeting to order at 7:03 pm with 15 members in attendance.
- 2. Meeting minutes for January approved as written, 1st E King 2nd R McCain
- 3. **Announcements:** Mayor candidates to speak at Gruening Middle school next Friday. Bus route petition, pending cancelation of bus service to Birchwood loop, affecting approximately 300 riders per day

Parks and Recreation Report: (Lexi Hill); Beach lake master plan update out for bid, MacDonald Center expansion needs money to proceed, possible stimulus funds available. Budget is pending, looking at property downtown Eagle River to buy for parking or skateboard park across from Valley River Parking lot. Pool rates are going up, access to pool will close in July.

Upcoming: The following annual bike races will take place on Birchwood Loop, on May 3rd Sunday: Gold Nugget, 1st Sunday May: Bike for Women, In June Eagle River Triathlon. Road Board: Bobbi gave report from Board minutes.

Presentations:

ER Chamber of Commerce: Susan Gorski, Michael Melielo, Al Romasczewski:

Core central Business area not to include Fred Meyer and WalMart. Height limits to buildings will be at no more than 4 stories. B-3 properties; storage of equipment for snow removal will be allowed but visually screened.

Anchorage Fire Department: Jeff Bayless Sr. Captain Station #11; Bonds, Prop 6 will provide funds to replace cardiac monitors @ 25,000. each. Bond, Prop 7 provides Capitol improvements

Anchorage Tomorrow; Scott Roelfs: discusses Prop 3,4,5 and 6, hand outs provided.

Rain Gardens: Kari Sherman: Gave presentation on a program to assist residents with construction of there own rain garden to aid in the filtration of run off water on their property, there is 50/50 fund matching available up to \$1,500. Property owners can be rebated up to \$750. Hand outs provided.

Anchorage School District: Tim Steele; School Board, Propositions 1 & 2, Will provide funds for completion of Service High School Water / Sewer line for Eagle River High School and projects for Girdwood School. Hand outs provided.

Meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm (1st E king 2nd N Belk)

Gail Davidson McCain/Secretary