

SCC Meeting Minutes  
April 4, 2012  
Spenard Recreational Center

Chair Jim Bowers brought the meeting to order at 7:00.

Legislative report: Senator Hollis French called in to say the Governor's oil tax bill is moving forward and something should happen next week. There was a question about the gas price gouging bill. Sen. French supports it, but it doesn't seem to be going anywhere. Tom McGrath asked about Spenard Road. Tom McGrath said businesses were for the four lane option and didn't like how things happened on Arctic Blvd. Sen. French said it wouldn't be funded without support from the community. Bob Auth asked if Fish Creek trail was on the capitol budget. Sen. French: Yes, it was vetoed last year but put back on this year.

There were no other legislators reporting.

Assembly Report: Assemblyman Ernie Hall said that the recent election "was not Anchorage's finest hour." He doesn't know what happened but will be waiting to see what the explanation is from municipal workers. He was pleased to see the outcome of the bond propositions especially the parks bond as it's been years since one passed. The School District is happy about the their bond passing but now must complete a six year policy plan for the MOA to prepare for the future.

Assemblywoman Harriet Drummond spoke about a rezone of .4 of an acre of land in Turnagain for mixed use. We need to move forward on Title XXI as there is little land left and developers don't know what is permitted use for some of that land. There is a Metropolitan Transportation Plan which will take us forward the next 25 years you can get online at the MOA site and link to AMATS. It's also important that we deal with the noise issue from the airport. For a small fee Anchorage can become a member of NOISE which is a coalition of communities who are dealing with airport noise issues and who share how they work with airports to mitigate the noise effects on their communities.

Both Assemblywoman Drummond and Assemblyman Hall said that questions will have to be answered before the municipal election can be certified. Ms. Drummond said the ACLU has set up a hotline for people to report in their election day experiences.

CAP-SERA- Sgt. Mark Ryan has assumed the position previously held by Sgt. Dennis Allen. There are seven officers on the team. They are working on problems with the transit center where drug dealing is happening very openly. The team is working on arresting visibly drunk patrons in bars and going after people who have had multiple police calls to their properties in accordance with municipal code 880 which does not include domestic violence and emergency calls. Tom McGrath asked about In and Out liquor which has been a problem for years.

Keith Ferris from the Eastside Community Patrol came to talk about what community patrols do and ask for new members to join the Westside Patrol which is down to one person. They welcome women. They are trained in traffic control and generally are the eyes and ears of the community.

Airport Committee report: Bob Auth said there was a joint meeting of the communications committee and the stakeholders to brainstorm about the Master Plan which the Airport intends to do soon. The goal is to get the community involved and move the process through in a matter of months rather than years. The next meeting is May 10.

Liquor License report: Chair Bowers reporting for Suzy: The In and Out liquor license is up for renewal in December, 2013.

Land Use report: Margaret Auth said 2806 Aspen continues to be a problem in that the garbage that has been scattered around the front yard has been there since last fall and will soon be emerging now that the snow is melting. It is a public health issue. Cora Weaver from MOA Code Enforcement said the property may be going into foreclosure; the owner is dead and there is no personal representative. The relatives are willing to clean it up and she may be able to get dump passes for them.

Craig Currier is going for a replat for his property on Minnesota because his house burned. The council should monitor this even though this is not a public hearing. Mr. Currier Craig has attempted to utilize his property as B-3 in the past even though it is not zoned as such.

The WADP is vital to Spenard and not just because of the issues with the Airport. It will be affecting Spenard Road and our community. We need to have a small library as there is no library on the west side. There is still the issue of noise disclosure for property owners, maintaining access to Spenard Beach Park and the Plan's boundaries on the east. There was discussion about the need for a resolution on the boundary issue and if that's been resolved although Ernie Hall said it had. Currently there is been no map that reflects that.

FCC Report: Jason Bergerson said an audit was performed on the FCC and it passed. The FCC is sitting on grants for the SCC which were awarded for the Westside Patrol and never spent. Some of the money must be spent by June 30 or lost. The NUSA conference is coming up.

Mr. Hall said if the SCC would do a resolution about In and Out Liquor it helps with how it is dealt with when coming for renewal with the Assembly because it shows a history of abuse of the license. Tom McGrath said the conditional use can be revisited at any time which is not the same as the license. He was willing to draft a resolution for the council and ask the owner to attend the next meeting. The motion to approve that action was passed.

TSAIA: John Johansen talked about the Master Plan and Part 150 studies that are coming up. John Parrot said Kulis is still empty with the possibility it will be used for storage, maybe even a movie. There were only 3 people who attended the Spring project open house and the Airport is thinking of discontinuing it. On May 4 will be a trash pickup day ending with a free lunch to those who worked it. He urged members of the council and community to be involved with the WADP process and the coming plans and studies.

Margaret Auth submitted a resolution for the MOA to become a member of NOISE for \$2300.00 per year. Discussion on the membership will be occur at the May meeting.

AWWU: Loren Leman and Jacques Boutet discussed the upcoming project on Lois. West Northern Lights will be down to one lane for a short time while they do the work. There will be as little disruption as possible to the traffic on Northern Lights. Lois Drive will be restored and repaved. The website for the project is [www.awwu.biz/website/Engineering/WaterSewerConsProj.htm](http://www.awwu.biz/website/Engineering/WaterSewerConsProj.htm).

McCrae Project: Wendy Wilbur of CRW is representing the Muni and has been working on it for 9 years. There is \$4.6 million for construction and the design is 95% completed. There will be some realignment of Fish Creek and some restoration. Construction is to start Sept. 2012.

Susan Bromalaski from Catholic Social Services told the council they are trying to finish up a

contract with MOA to move the families currently housed at Clare House into what used to be the Eagle Nest Hotel. They hope to have people moved before the snow falls later in 2012. Clare House will be repurposed. They look forward to being a part of the community.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20.