

## BIRCHWOOD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of October 26, 2012

Jill Flanders Crosby, acting Chair called the regularly scheduled Birchwood Community Council Meeting to order at 7:05 pm with 22 members present.

Motion to approve minutes of September 26 2012, 1-D Benson, 2-T Vita, passed.

### Guest Speaker

Captain Ben Demboski, with Anchorage Fire Department, Station 11. The captain advised the council of upcoming budget reductions. The municipality is redirecting fire station personal in Eagle River stations to accommodate shortages in Anchorage. This will result in leaving Eagle River Stations at certain times with out the required number of personnel to operate the ladder truck due to regulations. Precious time will be lost waiting for additional responders to arrive in order to utilize the truck for certain types of structure fires and emergency situations.

Motion; 1- D Benson, 2-R McCain, passed. Draft a letter to the assembly, Mayor, Chief of Staff and City Manager. The letter to read as follows, BCC expresses our concerns over the impending budget reductions that directly affect the safety of local residents. The council suggests that the cuts be reevaluated to be taken elsewhere in an area the does not violate the health, safety and welfare of Chugiak Eagle River Residents.

### Guest Speaker

Curtis McQueen, Chief Executive Officer with Eklutna. Curtis stated that Eklutna has protected numerous critical land sites to include Birchwood Airport, Beach Lake, Knick and Coastal lands. He offers fire wood collection to local residents for a \$10.00 fee, Contact Erin Ealum 696-2828.

Eklutna is proposing a snow dump site to be located in section 25 above the Powder Ridge Reserve; they are seeking the support of BBC.

Curtis advises the Council that the construction material dump site at the Birchwood Airport will be closing; however Eklutna wants to develop a recycling site to be located near Loretta French to take its place.

Resolution of Support; 1-R McCain, 2-D Benson; Passed.

Modifications to currently held permits to extend hours of operation for snow dumping and to expand from 200 to 400 trucks per day. (Tony Vita will help draft the resolution)

## REPORTS

Road Board, Tony Vita; Tony announces that he has been elected to the position "Chair of the Road Board", Congratulations Tony.

Title 21, Randy McCain; the P&Z suggested changes are projected to be reviewed by the title 21 committee in November or December of this year.

## ELECTIONS

Secretary: Gail Davidson McCain 1- T Vita, 2-H Sidebottom, passed

Chapter 10 Representative: Bobbi Wells 1-R McCain, 2-P Friend, passed

Motion; 1- R McCain, 2-A peck, passed. To adjourn in hiatus for the months of November and December.

Adjourn 9pm

Chair: Acting Chair Jill Flanders Crosby, And Secretary: Gail Davidson McCain