

December 30, 2013

Dear Birchwood Council members,

The co-chairs of BCC wish to send out a quick update on BCC concerns. This upcoming Monday, January 6, the MEA substation issue will be heard before Planning and Zoning. This has been a very contentious issue. MEA was denied a CUP back in September and a new hearing was scheduled. However, MEA continued to do work that has angered many and even perplexed members of the Planning and Zoning commission. We encourage you to read the comments on the Municipal web page (<http://munimaps.muni.org/planning/allcomments.cfm?casenum=2013-159>).

We have also received news that Granite and Eklutna have received conditional permission to close their CUP at the gravel pit by the airport. Additionally, there is now a short-term tenant at the gravel pit site. We will be discussing this at our January 22 meeting. We especially encourage anyone living close to the gravel pit/industrial park area to attend our January meeting. Additionally, should any of those impacted wish to receive a copy of the Municipal report sent to us by Eklutna, please contact us and we will be happy to forward it onto to you.

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