

# **Federation of Community Councils, Inc.**

## **Board of Delegates**

### **Minutes of May 20, 2015 meeting**

**Meeting called to order at 6:14 p.m. by Chair Jeff Landfield**

**Agenda:**

Motion to approve agenda by Sam Moore (North Star) and seconded by Lance Powell (Mid-Hillside). Motion to approve agenda passed unanimously.

**Minutes:**

Motion to approve the minutes of the November meeting was made by Sam Moore (NSCC) and seconded by Kyle Stevens (GHCC). Motion to pass May minutes passed unanimously.

**FCC Delegates in attendance (17):**

Abbott Loop	Ray Metcalfe
Basher	Don Crafts
Bayshore/Klatt	Bob Laule
Chugiak	Deborah Jones
Fairview	Harry Need
Government Hill	Kyle Stevens
Huffman/O'Malley	Christine Monette
Mid-Hillside	Lance Powell
North Star	Sam Moore
Northeast	Selina Metoyer
Rabbit Creek	Adam Lees
Rogers Park	Bob Churchill
Scenic Foothills	Forrest Dunbar
South Addition	Bonnie Harris
Taku Campbell	Jeff Landfield and Jeff Schmitz
Tudor Area	Tod Butler
Turnagain	Danielle Bailey

**Others in attendance included:**

Dick Traini	Anchorage Assembly member
Ethan Berkowitz	Mayor-Elect

Susanne Fleek	Berkowitz Transition Team
Beth Nordlund	Anchorage Parks Foundation
Mark Butler	Councils Center Manager
Cathy Gleason	Turnagain CC member

**Mayor's Office report:** None.

**Presentation by Mayor-Elect: Ethan Berkowitz**

“Thank you for your time during the campaign, now it's time to get to work...” Wants to get together with the FCC in June to discuss items, low-hanging from day one activities we could undertake “transition reports” if you will. His administration would like to be able react, check progress and responsiveness to community councils. Some random questions about CIP lists online.

**Quorum achieved.**

**Assembly Report:**

**Dick Traini, Assembly Chair** – Assembly Chair Dick Traini

Met Tuesday night, we certified the election of the new mayor. Peach Investments will be tearing down an old hotel on Northern Lights. Extensive discussion of 4<sup>th</sup> Ave Theater. Peach Investments will continue to pay property taxes, it's a long process and will take a long time. It's an empty building folks, plain and simple.

**School District Report:**

**None.**

**Presentations:**

**Anchorage Parks Foundation – Beth Nordlund**

Lots of exciting events happening at your local park. 5 playgrounds going in, one with a unique walrus structure, another will have a mammoth. “Park Founders Day” June 13<sup>th</sup>. Lots of volunteer opportunities around town, if you'd like to participate, or help plan a volunteer opportunity, reach out to the Park Foundation. Chairman Landfield would like to organize a bonfire on the Park Strip. There will be a time-capsule going into the Park Strip near the train at 9<sup>th</sup> & E.

APF has been working with “Live.Work.Play.” from AEDC on re-branding, and re-working the way-finding system for the trail network. APF will be working on branding neighborhoods (on the trail network and parks). Will be working with the FCC to facilitate communication. If you have a park on your individual CC CIP list, get in touch with APF.

## **Jonathan Pattee - Boutet Company**

Discussion of improvements planned for Chester Creek Trail this summer.

### **Officer Reports:**

**FCC Chair** Jeff Landfield - Two years as an FCC officer. No meeting in June, but we'll try to meet with the Mayor-elect. After elections, the new board will take-over July 1<sup>st</sup>. Thank you.

**Treasurer** Kevin Fimon – Presented 4-month budget vs. actual report and bank reconciliations. Transition away from BDO is going forward.

**Community Council Center Manager** Mark Butler - CIP lists, complete them by the end of May. If your local CC area has a state legislative grant, use it or you risk losing it. Internet training is available. July FCC picnic meeting in the park.

### **Old Business:**

FCC Elections Committee – Bonnie Harris (South Addition) has been nominated for FCC Chair. Kevin Fimon (Campbell Park) has been nominated for FCC Treasurer, Sam Moore (North Star) has been nominated for FCC Secretary. The committee accepted a nomination for FCC Chair for Kyle Stevens (Government Hill). Kyle Stevens then asked that his nomination be shifted to FCC Vice-Chair. No more nominations made..

Motion made. All four positions filled by unanimous consent. Terms begin July 1, 2015. Congratulations to all four.

### **New Business:**

Request by Rabbit Creek CC to have FCC Website Committee. RCCC Chair would like to have a website review meeting / subcommittee and review process and user guide.

Rabbit Creek CC: Management of Council Mailing Lists - “What do other councils do for managing their membership determining a quorum, etc...” There are several different ways to determine CC membership, quorum, some interesting approaches. Not entirely clear what we're discussing. Something about deleting e-mail addresses. - No action taken, no motions made.

Rabbit Creek CC: Discussion about changes being proposed to Title 21, multi-family housing – There are additional attempts to delay implementation of Title-21 standards. There is now a Title 21 Assembly Standing Committee. Complaints about inadequate public notification. No action taken, no motions made.

Rabbit Creek CC: Discussion about Getting Value from Heritage Land Bank lands – Discussion on annual work plan, there's little if any public involvement. Do pay attention

to what's going on, public lands should be used for public uses. Cathy Gleason provided additional input. No action taken, no motions made.

**Council Sharing:**

**North Star** – Potluck drives higher attendance. Crime.

**Campbell Park** – Resolutions on Invasive weeds, Move to Amend and Fish viewing.

**Government Hill** – Mayor-elect Berkowitz stopped by, candidate forum, bears relocated and then replaced by other bears.

**Fairview** - Spirits of Alaska is appealing, should be a long process. No-sale list is being discussed. ACLU has problems with it. Solid Waste Services discussion. Save the date for 7/25 11<sup>th</sup> AK Renewable Energy Fair & Fairview community block party, beer garden.

**Mid-Hillside** – Planning to join with Hillside East CC to form one council called “Hillside CC”. Residential zoning issues

**Huffman/O'Malley** - South High School stadium being appealed. Christine off executive board but will still remain FCC delegate.

**South Addition** – Coastal trail bridge closed.

**Rabbit Creek** – South High traffic, E. 142nd Avenue challenge grant drainage repair. Rezones.

**Taku Campbell** – Jeff is President again, Dowling Road connection is going through.

**Turnagain** – Danielle – no-sell list discussion. Heritage Land Bank discussion, safety and crime, “safety forum” discussion.

**Scenic Foothills** – Elections.

**Chugiak** - election.

**Northeast** – Elections. Still working on by-laws. Safety Fair @ ABT 6/6 . Would like to expand red-stripe laws to address straw-buyers. Muldoon Farmers Market starting in June.

**Basher** – Bylaws. Big turnout. Board vacancies, wildlife process, wildfire danger.

**Public Comments:**

None.

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 p.m.**

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Samuel A. Moore, FCC Secretary.*