

Huffman O'Malley Community Council Minutes
April 16, 2015
Shepherd of the Hills Church

1. Call to Order 7:02 by President Christine Monette

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Welcome and Introductions:

Steering Committee Members Present:

- Christine Monette - President
- Matt Burkholder
- Brian Partch,
- Paul Rasmussen
- Melissa Schmiedt
- Diane Shellenbaum
- Tim Stevens

Absent: Evan Budd, Wayne Crayton, Katie Nolan, Susan Richards

Quorum is present

4. Consent Agenda Items

- A. Minutes: Minutes not voted on.
- B. Treasurer's report (Monette): \$339.14, outstanding check, \$25 to Halo for candidates forum.

5. Presentations

A. Assembly Member Updates: None

B. Legislative Update: None

C. Fire Department updates: Brian

- Permits needed for burns.
- Fire Station #9, more trees cut down for driveway onto Lake Otis. Still hoping DOT will reconsider access to DeArmoun.

D. Chugach Electric Substation Update – Phil Steyer presented the latest progress/plan for the Hane substation to be built at O'Malley just east of Lake Otis. The Muni has rejected the driveway location on Hanes, saying it is too close to O'Malley. They would, however, allow a driveway directly from O'Malley. Communications tower now 65', down from 90' as they could not find a co-locator to commit in time. Construction starts this summer, June or July, to be completed next summer.

Council Comments due for Substation May 15th – before next meeting – anyone wishing to make comments please contact Chris, who would then circulate and if applicable, submit.

E. Alaska Railroad Right of Way issues: Steve Beardsley – Alaska RR, and Tim Sullivan and John Pletcher, Oceanview Community Council.

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Oceanview CC has requested support from other CC's for Oceanview Resolution 2014 #1 AKRR, Sept 24, 2014. Oceanview CC provided several handouts. The resolution encourages the State of Alaska, the federal government, and the Municipality of Anchorage to change the nature of the current railroad easement to allow multiple uses. Currently the Alaska railroad is requiring permits for Oceanview residents use of the 100 ft easement that abuts their property. Both sides agree that safety is an important issue, but the main disagreement appears to be the railroad requiring permits and yearly fees to use the easement. It was a complicated historical issue from both sides. No action was taken by HOCC.

6. Continuing Business

A. Parks committee report:

- Assembly Member Jennifer Johnston is scheduled to present the parks to be dedicated at the April 21st Assembly Meeting. Possible delay till June? **Chris will check with Jennifer.**

7. Reports:

A. FCC (Monette): Annual meeting next month. Tom Davis, from the muni planning department (?) presentation on new **Comprehensive Bowl Plan. Concern is this plan could supplant the Hillside District Plan.** Work to be done this summer, with public roll out Sept Oct time frame. There are concerns that the lower Hillside is being identified as higher density development than that provided for in the Hillside District Plan.

B. HALO – Annual meeting next month. Looking for another member from HOCC. Current member participation, Chris-Treasurer, Katy – Secretary, Matt – representative

C. Crime Statistics: Wayne sent digital crime report. Multiple tire slashings along Merganser

D. South Anchorage High Neighborhood Liaison Committee: (Monette)

- Gate has been installed on lower parking lot. Not known who, if anyone, is tasked with closing the lot off after hours.
- Football stadium is out to bid
- Appeal of decision going on – being funded by 4-5 families impacted by the Stadium noise.

8. President's Report:

A. Incoming and Outgoing correspondence-

- Bank Statement

9. New Business:

Mailbox renewal due by June 1.

- **Motion by Melissa, Tim second, authorizing up to \$200 to pay the mailbox renewal before it expires. Motion carries with no objections.**

10. Open Forum:

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- MAY – annual meeting, steering committee and officer elections. People willing to run for officer so far – Matt Burkholder – President, Evan Budd – VP, Melissa Schmiedt – Treasurer, Diane Shellenbaum – Secretary.
- In order to sit on the steering committee – requirements are to live in the HOCC area and have attended two meetings in the last year.
- In order to vote at the annual meeting, must live in the HOCC area and have attended one other meeting in the last year.

Suggestion was made to not meet in June or July, due to historically low attendance during those months.

Action Item summary:

- **Chris**
 - Send out newsletter out early May
 - Check with Jennifer Johnston whether parks dedication happened April 21st or was rescheduled.
 - Put By-laws on website
 - Put minutes from last 2 yrs on website
 - Pay mailbox renewal by June 1 (*or was this Melissa?*)
- **Chris and Diane**
 - Make spreadsheet with attendance record over last year
- Anyone wishing to make comments on Hane Substation – do so by May 15th

Chris adjourned 8:45 pm

Submitted by Diane Shellenbaum 4-20-15