

Huffman O'Malley Community Council Minutes - Final
April 21, 2016
Huffman Elementary

1. Call to Order 7:00 by President Matt Burkholder

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Welcome and Introductions:

Steering Committee Members Present:

- Matt Burkholder – President
- Evan Budd – Vice President
- Wayne Crayton - Treasurer
- Christine Monette
- Katie Nolan
- Brian Partch
- Paul Rasmussen
- Susan Richards
- Melissa Schmiedt
- Tim Stevens
- Diane Shellenbaum – Secretary

Absent – None

Quorum present

4. Agenda Items

After item d. School Board; add E. John See (MOA Forester); F. Carla Smith (DOT) E. Gary & Felix (MOA CIP)

5. Minutes: **Minutes for March 17, 2016 – Approved as presented**

6. Treasurer's report - Wayne - \$413.14 balance. Post office box renewal is June 1st, will be over \$200.

Action: Chris and Matt will check into using FCC for mail address. Need to make decision at May meeting.

7. Presentations

a. Legislative – N/A Legislature is in session

b. Assembly members:

Bill Evans

Discussed impact on this year's muni budget of the additional \$11 Million in savings, and \$4 Million additional revenue found since the budget was created. Assembly proposed amendments due Friday, 22nd, vote at Assembly mtg Tuesday 4-26. Desire to use as much as possible to offset property taxes, but will need to wait till State budget is finalized to know if money needed to offset cuts there. Administration has earmarked some of the funds.

New Assembly member John Weddleton

Budget is current big issue, also Title 21 issues, including a rezone in the Huffman Town Center to allow medical use.

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c. **Mayor's Representative Felix Rivera.**

- Mayor proposes returning as much of \$15 Million to taxpayers as possible, but recommends waiting until State budget impacts known for final decision. Earmarks are \$1 Million to implement on-line elections, starting next April, and \$450K to address homeless issues.
- Current State Legislative proposal is to cut an additional \$9.5 Million from budget revenue sharing, an increase from the original budget cut proposal of over \$5 Million.
 - Those concerned encouraged to contact legislators to support original \$9.2 Million budget proposal.
- Three Police academies this year, recruitment going well. Studies show town Anchorages size should have 448, we have 360 aiming at 400 by end of year. More officers will allow some proactive measures rather than barely keeping up with calls.
- Point in Time homeless count report now due out at end of May
- 'Anchorage Talks Transit' – community dialog to plan, kickoff May 5th, 6:30 at Anchorage Museum.

d. School Board Rep Tam Agosti-Giesler (not present) gave time to **South High Principal Kersten Johnson**

- Superintendent finalists to be announced Friday 22nd, public event at Bartlett weds 27th 6-8 pm. Student forum at South Weds 9-10:30 am with U-tube live broadcast. Final decision anywhere from mid-May to end of June.
- Current events at South, Spring play the Tempest this weekend, Sr. celebration Saturday April 30th from 9-1 pm, including boys and girls soccer games. May 12, 350 kids will graduate at the Sullivan Arena.
- Opening in fence issue to be addressed now that spring is here.
- Successfully worked with APD to address vandalism in the area
- Installing more cameras for security this summer
- Working with HOCC to support installing a gate to the teacher's parking lot to cut down on unauthorized after-hours use of South grounds.

e. **Municipal Forester John See**

- AFD Academy underway, 23 participants.
- Open House Saturday May 14th at Fire Training Facility 1130 Airport Heights.
- Firewise homeowners workshop April 27th at Campbell Creek Science Center.
- Bonds passed allowing purchase of two medical rigs for FS#1. This will allow the ambulances assigned to South Anchorage to be available here more of the time.
- FS#9 Dedication early July.
- **NO OPEN BURNING PERMITTED – last 100 days warmest in history, current fire danger high to very high, expected to continue till green-up**
- S. Anchorage woodlots open weekends, soon open all week, a good alternative to open burning.
- Home inspections delayed, expect to start soon – to be conducted by Fire fighters – call John See to schedule
- Think about defensible space around your home
- Report illegal burning at non-emergency number 267-4950.
- Burning legal only in fully screened pits or chimeneas.
- Burn Hotline – for permission to use firepits – 267-5020

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f. CIP list review: to determine priorities for next year's bonding– **Felix Rivera, Gary Jones,**

- Request Community Council input and review – and pick top three priorities. Gary Jones provided a map of the HOCC area, and discussed ongoing and current projects on list.
- Ongoing projects:
 - Spinnaker Loop drainage improvements,
 - Storm damage assessment and rehabilitation – using cameras in storm drains to assess drainage issues.
- Elmore road extension – HOCC has officially come out against the road extension for many years, though there is support in the membership as well. 100% of homeowners to be impacted are against it. Neighboring community councils have historically put it high on their list. If all councils agree, then the extension will come off the list.

Action: Provide input by the end of May, possibly coordinate with RCCC and other Hillside councils

Note: HOCC members can provide individual input on any CIP project at <http://munibudget.org/Council/huffman-omalley>, and choose the project you wish to comment on.

g. Current Projects: Carla Smith, Kimberly Saterfield- DOT

- Abbott Road phase I – Lake Otis to Jupiter. Construction starts early May. For info go to www.AbbottRoadRehab.com
- O'Malley Phase I – 2016 Survey, 2017-Construction begins.
- Minnesota Project – Pavement preservation- New Seward Hwy to Tudor, Tudor to 15th

Public comment open for next 30 days (till May 21?)

- Discussion about the type of street lighting to be installed in the O'Malley and Abbott road improvement projects. Concerns were raised about ADOT installing high intensity lighting instead of the MOA-endorsed LED lighting options. With few exceptions, ADOT stated that Federal Highway standards don't allow for such LED lighting to be installed on projects they help fund.

6. Continuing Business

a. Anchorage Bowl Land Use Plan – Matt Burkholder. HOCC comments needed, preferably by end of April but will accept by end of May.

Action: Katie, Christine, Evan and Susan volunteered to meet with Matt to recommend comments.

b. Social Media – Evan Budd keeping up Facebook page.

8. Reports

a. FCC – Matt Burkholder reported –

- April 30 and May 7 – Free Dump Days, Highland facility only. Transfer station will be closed those days.
- Muni looking into utilizing Next Door App

b. HALO – Matt Burkholder and Christine – No quorum at the last meeting

c. Crime Statistics – Wayne Crayton reported with the last two months of data. 19 traffic incidents leading to 3 arrests, several runaways, 1 arson, 1 sexual assault, several false alarms at South High

d. South Anchorage Neighborhood Liaison Committee – There will be two summer camper hosts, one in the top parking lot, one closer to the football field.

e. Nominating Committee – Matt lead.

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All interested who have attended at least 2 meetings in the last year, through May of this year, let Matt know.

9. President's Report

a. Incoming Correspondence –

- Grape Brothers – Special Land Use Permit for Alcohol for a package store; 10950 O'Malley Centre Drive (2016-0048) – no objections
- Site plan review for Abbot Rd Construction Ph II (2016-6038) – no objections
- The Gardens – 11051 O'Malley Centre Drive; Minor Amendment to a Special Land Use Permit for Alcohol (Recreation Site Liquor License) to amend premises diagram to comport with the one on file at the Alaska Alcohol and Beverage Control Board – No Objection

b. Outgoing Correspondence – None

10. New business: None

11. Open Forum –

Shirley Cote – Candidate for State House seat – shared qualifications including 28 years law enforcement experience, and encouraged questions.

Matt adjourned the meeting at 8:50 pm

Minutes submitted by Diane Shellenbaum 4-24-16