

MVCC Minutes

Dec 10, 2018

6:30pm

Call to Order and Introductions

Approve agenda: Agenda approved. Jasmin moved, Jack seconded. None opposed.

Approve Meeting Minutes: Minutes approved. Fred moved, Lou seconded. None opposed.

Announcements:

Schools Committee Chair: Tasha discussed our elementary schools' needs. Tyson elementary asked us to sponsor a field trip fund at \$150. MV Elementary asked for sleds at \$150. Tasha moved to sponsor, Jack seconded. David asked for a way to make this reoccurring support for schools. None opposed. 1 abstained. Passes.

Treasurer: N/A

Federation of Community Councils Update: N/A

Presentations and Appearance Requests:

Under 21 Open Mic Program: Director Jamie Whiteman presented on this 5 year old program. Two open mics happen every month, one at middle way café and one at MV Library. They've created a management team composed of young people. Go to Facebook for event updates and open positions. Jamie invited neighbors and asked for suggestions on promotion.

Resolutions/New Business: N/A

Legislative Reports:

Senator Begich: Tom is organizing the senate minority, and focused on universal pre-K education. Fred asked if we could change the constitution for capital punishment, and Tom is not in favor. Dan asked if the SOA will help muni with earthquake emergency funds. There are many leaning telephone poles in the neighborhood. Tasha added that the state does not have a final number for relief funds, as they wait for federal funding.

Representative Tarr: Individual disaster assistance grants available until Jan 28 @ Ready.alaska.gov. Please work on preparedness, like having shoes by the bed in case of broken glass. Have safe water and food stores. Geran reported on Food Freedom Legislation. There will be tension between Juneau agendas and funding available. Fred asked if she would support a constitutional amendment to support capital punishment, she does not. Geran believes in supporting early interventions, practices that correct behaviors, and approaches that build in accountability.

Assemblyman Constant: Amy Demoski's seat is vacant and will be appointed by the end of month. Alcohol tax has been proposed. It will need to go to voters to approve because it goes over tax cap. Eliza Snelling is Mountain View's new School Board Representative.

Community Partner Updates:

Anchorage Community Land Trust — Cody reported on starting another Set Up Shop cohort in the spring. Open applications on Jan 1. This program empowers entrepreneurs in Mountain View, Fairview and Spenard.

Mountain View Library — Experienced some earthquake damage, many books fell. David described Institutional Discharge Program which focuses on former adult convicts to work through parole process and reintegrate in society. Abraham is our new MV VISTA!

Evan Anderson, The Alaska Center – Evan will look at voting turnout for Mountain View's 2 precincts. He asked for help asking neighbors why they would or would not make it to the polls. Will bring data to next meeting. Muni election is coming soon!

Best Beginnings – Mara reported on their free book delivery program. Please share the program with families! Reported on AK Public Media Ready to Learn Initiative.

Member Comments:

Tasha asked for events happening during the winter break to be emailed or Facebook-messaged to the council.

Ian honored George Bush passing. Continues to experience problems with neighbors parking scrap cars obnoxiously.

Kate asked how we liked the new space. The general membership voted to stay at this location through to our summer break. 11 in favor, 1 opposed, 1 abstained. Passes.

Adjourned. 7:25pm. Fred moved, Caitlin seconded.