

Huffman O'Malley Community Council  
February 21, 2019  
Trinity Presbyterian Church, 12310 Lorraine Rd.  
Minutes – Final

1. Call to Order 7:00 p.m. by President Shirley Coté
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Welcome and Introductions

Executive Board Members Present:

- Shirley Coté –President
- Brad Coy
- Matt Burkholder
- Roger Mechon
- Katie Nolan
- Susan Richards - Treasurer
- Diane Shellenbaum – Secretary

Absent: Christine Monette, Brian Partch, Gretchen Stoddard

Absent-excused: Dave Hemstreet

4. Agenda – Approved as updated
5. Minutes
  - Minutes for January 17, 2019 – **APPROVED** as updated
  - Minutes for Executive Board Meeting January 10, 2019 - **APPROVED**
6. Presentations
  1. John Johansen, Manager of Engineering, Environment and Planning, Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport. Provided a handout, discussed plans and answered questions about finishing the runway construction started last summer. North/South runway will be closed from the beginning of April through mid to end of October 2019.
  2. Bryan Fisher, Incident Commander, Alaska State Emergency Operation Center. Answered questions and provided information, including handouts and deadlines (Feb 28<sup>th</sup> for State, April 1 for FEMA) about FEMA and SOA resources for those impacted by earthquake Nov 30, 2018. Since Fed Disaster declared, the order for any disaster assistance will be FEMA, then SBA (small business association) then the State of Alaska. State plans to ask for extension of registration deadline to allow residents to see if there is damage after the ground thaws, but no guarantee.
    - Recommend you DO apply with FEMA and state NOW if you even suspect you may have damage, even before spring. That way you on already registered.
  3. Brandy Pennington, Representative, Muni Historic Preservation Commission. Answered questions about preserving the 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Theater. Contact [brandy@brandypennington.com](mailto:brandy@brandypennington.com)

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7. Political Representatives' Reports – Legislature is in session in Juneau.

1. State Rep Jennifer Johnston – provided handout/newsletter. Caucusing with majority. Willing to call in to meeting if we have the ability to do so. Does not support additional taxes. Large payout for PFD not supported by many legislators.
2. State Rep Laddie Shaw – provided handout letter to HOCC. Caucusing with minority.
3. State Senator Chris Birch – left message that he is available to answer questions. Budget is key issue.
4. Mayor's Staff Kristen DeSmith – provided handout describing proposed 5% retail alcohol tax, and what the funds can/will be used for. Budget and bonds presentations ongoing. Still digesting impacts of governors proposed budget on muni finances. Will be huge.
5. District 6 Assembly John Weddleton – Preliminary study of governors proposed budget show's likely impacts of:
  - -\$6 million from removal of municipal sharing
  - -\$2.6 million from loss of Oil and Gas taxes
  - -\$0.4 million from Public Health
  - -\$9 million ambulance services
  - Many more
  - Double impact to schools if BSA drops state-wide, state law limits how much the city can give to ASD.
  - Showed new signs to be used for notice of public meetings, providing actual information on what meetings will be about.
6. District 6 Assembly Adam Lees for Suzanne LaFrance.
  - April ballot should be sent out March 12 – look for in the mail, can be found at [muni.org/assembly/elections](http://muni.org/assembly/elections). Will include easement on Goose Lake needed for full MLP transfer to Chugach. Allow peace officers, rather than full officers, to address blighted cars to speed their removal from streets. Charter update to be in line with state law regarding debt/lease/purchase agreements. Tax incentive to encourage permanent residences in downtown.

8. Reports

1. Treasurer's Report – Richards - \$354.14, increase due to donations. Planning to put out basket at every meeting requesting donations.
2. Traffic Calming Report – No report
3. Outreach/Fundraising – Burkholder
  - Requesting volunteer to head up survey to determine priorities of membership in area. FCC will distribute.
4. Social Media – Burkholder – Keeping up Facebook page
5. Crime Statistics – No report

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6. FCC – Burkholder – Mtg Feb 18<sup>th</sup> . CIP list is out. Participating in Fur Rony parade. Committee working on Communication resolution, hopefully complete in March, for review and consideration by HOCC of signing on. Community challenge grants available Feb 28<sup>th</sup>. Looking at sending meeting notices out on NextDoor.
7. HALO – Nolan–March 7<sup>th</sup> is Candidate Forum, O'Malleys on the Green.
8. By-Laws Committee – No report

9. Continuing Business

- No reports

10. President's Report

1. Incoming Correspondence
  - Case 2019-0029, Text Amendments to Title 21 – no substantive changes, corrective amendments of a technical nature – comment period already passed.
  - Russian Jack Springs Park Master Plan Update Community Workshop announcement. Feb 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
2. Outgoing Correspondence – None
3. Opportunity to have FS #9 provide CPR training at next meeting – Discussion and approval to proceed with plan to have CPR training at March 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

11. New Business -

- Karl Solberg- RES (Renewable Energy Systems of Alaska) provide information (handouts on cost and tax credits, and discussion) on HOCC opportunities for solar installation. Have already been active in 5 neighborhoods. Window closing for tax rebates, so cheaper to do now than later. Deadline for sign-ups in HOCC area is April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
  - [Renewablealaska.com](http://Renewablealaska.com), [info@arcticak.com](mailto:info@arcticak.com)

12. Open Forum

- Dan Fleming – HOCC member. Provided draft flier, including map, being readied to send to neighbors abutting proposed trail through the Rabbit Creek Park Green Belt between Spinnaker and Mainsail, and possible trail upgrades from Westwind to Spinnaker. As in last meeting, all present were in support of Dan's continued efforts in planning and requesting funding through a muni challenge grant. Additional discussion on possible impact on neighbors abutting Mainsail, where park land strip is narrow and lawns currently occupy.
  - **MOTION** – Nolan, Burkholder 2<sup>nd</sup>. HOCC write a resolution in support of Dan's efforts in pursuing funding and work for the trail.
    - **No objections** – **ACTION** - Diane write motion.

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- **MOTION** – Nolan, Burkholder 2<sup>nd</sup> – HOCC provide \$50 to HALO in support of candidates Forum – **No objections.**

13. Adjournment - Coté adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Diane Shellenbaum 3-12-2019

Next general meeting –**March 21st** , 7pm, Trinity Church

- **Regular business 7-7:30**
- **CPR Training from 7:30-9:00**