

Huffman O'Malley Community Council
March 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
- Diane Shellenbaum – Secretary

Absent: Christine Monette, Brian Partch

Absent-excused: Dave Hemstreet, Roger Mechon, Katie Nolan, Susan Richards, Gretchen Stoddard

4. Agenda – Approved
5. Minutes - Minutes for February 21, 2019 – **APPROVED**
6. State and Local Government Reports
 1. John Weddleton – Anchorage Assembly – Reported that AFD and Firefighters Union had worked together with the muni to restructure their operations resulting in significant savings. The restructuring will be more efficient in responding to the many (~25,000) EMT calls received each year.
 2. Adam Lees for Suzanne LaFrance – Anchorage Assembly
 - Muni Election on-going – any questions/concerns on mail in ballot call 243-VOTE
 - Board of Equalization looking for members
 - ASD budget approved by Assembly – Vote mainly symbolic in support of ASD due to the massive uncertainty in state funding. State decisions on BSA will impact the maximum the city can legally provide.
 - Took straw poll about three proposed ordinances
 - Raise legal age to purchase tobacco products from 19-21 (majority in audience supported)
 - Bar smoking within 10 ft of a playground (majority supported)
 - Bar smoking within 20 ft of a playground (majority supported)
 3. Andy Holleman – School Board
 - Board voted to repair Eagle River Elementary and Gruenig Middle School, much cheaper than rebuilding – Plan for 25% State Funding, 75% FEMA
 - Retiring \$60 Million in bonds this year
 - Requesting \$60 Million in bonds- includes roofs, seismic upgrades, security upgrades. Details at asd.k12.org/bonds

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- Governor's budget proposing stopping existing bond payments, not just on new bonds but all existing bonds. That and proposed significant reduction to BSA would have major impact on ASD operations.

7. Open Forum

- Joshua Spring – Staff member for Margo Bellamy for School Board-presented qualifications
- Brianna Aspelund – UAA- Invites those to meet Saturday to discuss SB12 and sexual assault issues.
- Dan Flemming – Trail construction proposal. Since last month's meeting sent out a flyer and survey monkey. Went door to door to neighbors whose yards abutted onto proposed and current trail. Invited all to this meeting to discuss. Has narrowed proposed trail width based on neighbor comments/concerns. Desires included gravel, dog poop collection stations, and minimal tree removal. Plan is mostly brush (including alder) removal. Three cottonwood trees on Westwind identified for removal to improve line-of-sight and safety for those exiting trail onto Westwind. Concerns included wish for a more specific plan before proceeding with request for funding from the Anchorage Park Foundation.

8. President's Report

1. Incoming Correspondence

- S12473 – rezone to combine two lots to one. No objections but didn't take official vote. Comments due by March 29, individuals encouraged to comment.
- **ACTION – submit comment of no objection**

2. Outgoing Correspondence – None

9. Continuing Business -

- Resolution in support of Dan Flemming efforts in obtaining funding for trail construction/improvements between Westwind and Mainsail (approval to write resolution from February mtg.) Read and discussed.
 - **Passed - Voted 12 in favor, 6 opposed, and 1 abstention.**
 - **ACTION** – Diane send to Assembly, Anchorage Park Foundation, and FCC.

10. Adjournment - Coté adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m

11. 8:00-9:00 CPR training from FS #9 Firefighters and EMT's

Minutes submitted by Diane Shellenbaum 3-26-2019

Next general meeting –**April 18th** , 7pm, Trinity Church

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Next executive board meeting – Tentative date **April 11th**, location TBA