

BIRCHWOOD COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Wednesday, April 9, 2003

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by Bobbi Welis. We do have a quorum, this is a first for the month of April meeting since I have been secretary, to conduct business. After reviewing previous meeting minutes, the reading of them was waived.

No correspondence needing our attention has been received.

FCC Report-(Nanette Belk)-A strategy session workshop was held on April 5th. Meg King from UAA was the facilitator. Lots of good ideas and discussion but the main focus at this point was to start with updating bylaws and reconnecting with the Municipality in regard to obligations on both ends and living up to those obligations. At each meeting there is mutual council sharing which is helpful and interesting and appries us of important diverse issues facing each council area. It's a good communication tool.

Meeting for May is on an as needed basis and newsletters will go out for summer updates with a possibility of a bring your own chair meeting at the fire station. Notification will be sent out either way. Items to keep in mind for the near future are the: Ordinance on accessory dwellings, council re-districting boundaries, and AMATS plan for Hillcrest Dr.

Parks & Rec Report-(Lexi Hill)-Ski Chalet contract has been awarded at \$669,700.00. Beach Lake sled dog trails crossing culvert work has possibly been worked out. Loretta French Park-original owner/parent company is trying to continue work on a bankruptcy situation. This is a bonded job so money won't be totally lost. Expansion work on Oberg Fields will be starting soon.

Reminder that the Rust to Rest program to remove old junk cars is available to use.

Aware Program is training volunteers to help and assist homebound, frail and special needs residents in the case of an emergence. Information for signing up is available by calling 343-6114, 343-4491 or 343-4270. More information can be found at www.muni.org/AWARE.

Jeff Hartley and Bobbi Wells are meeting with NightWatch later this week (4/11) to try coordinating an effort to stop all the vandalizing that has been ongoing in our area lately. NightWatch is a private company and would be paid for by contributions from the residents.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m..