

Spenard Community Council

The Nave

3502 Spenard Road, Anchorage, AK 99503

Wednesday, June 7, 2023, 7:00-8:50 pm

6:30 pm meet and greet



Minutes

1. Welcome/Call to Order

- **President Meg Mielke called the meeting to order at 7:06pm**
 - Ms. Mielke introduced the executive board.
- **Peggy Auth moved to approve the consent agenda; Michelle Wilber seconded.**
 - **No objection, consent agenda passed.**

3. Brief reports

- **Megan Peters gave a report from the Anchorage Airport**
 - The Airport has started working on a master plan as happens every 7-10 years. The Spenard representative is Bob Auth. A public meeting is unlikely until September. Residents can find more information online at www.ancmpu.com.
 - South terminal parking garage will be closed for the rest of summer, likely until October. This is the first maintenance the garage has had in 50 years. Please use the commercial lane for arrivals if you are not sure the height of your tall vehicle so you do not run into the bridge.
 - There will be road construction projects starting around Lake Hood. Contact taylor.beardsley@alaska.gov for bid information.
- **Anna Brawley gave a report from the Anchorage Assembly**
 - The Anchorage Assembly held a retreat on May 19 to discuss solutions to the ongoing housing shortage. Currently not enough housing to meet the need.
 - To help alleviate homelessness, the Assembly is looking into converting hotels to housing units, discussing year round shelter. They recommended a sanctioned camp this summer at 40th and Denali. Brawley introduced legislation regarding the Navigation Center at Tudor and Elmore that puts 11 million towards it for the purposes of discussion as its a more realistic picture of what the real cost looks like. The item was postponed to June 20. She acknowledged that some in town are well run and some are not, which complicates the issue.
 - Bicycle/Pedestrian safety resolution is in the works.
- **An Anchorage Police Department Officer took residents' questions.**
- **School board report:** Pat Higgins absent; no report given

4. . Decision Topic: CIP Priorities

- Document was tabled at the meeting of May 3, 2023.
 - Sarah Preskitt amended Item #5 to read Spenard Rd Reconstruction - Minnesota Dr to Northwood Dr.
- **Jed Smith moved to approve the amended 2024 CIP Priorities List; Margaret McDonagh**

seconded. No discussion.

- **19 in favor, 2 opposed.**
- **2024 CIP Priorities List passes.**

5. Decision Topic: MOU between SCC and Allocated

Long Lam presented the Memorandum of Understanding between SCC and Allocated.

- **Sarah Preskitt moved to approve; Matt Duncan seconded.**
 - **20 in favor, 0 opposed.**
 - **MOU passes.**

6. Information Topic: Right of Way Vacation, Bentzen Subdivision

- Jonathan Lang of Lang & Associates, Inc presented on a request from a resident to vacate a right of way and answered questions from attendees.
- No action requested at this time.

7. Information Topic: Code Enforcement

- No staff present; no report given

8. Information Topic: Spenard Beautification Project

- Tahnee Seccareccia reported the Spenard Beautification Project is planning a neighborhood cleanup for last weekend in September, including supplying large trash bins in a parking lot for neighbors to use. The committee will send out notices to neighbors - if you can't bring trash to the lots, they'll come to you. She is looking for volunteers to assist. Interested volunteers can contact Tahnee at tahneeseccareccia@gmail.com

9. Treasurer's Report

- Julie Leonard reported there were no changes to report and offered to show the accounts to anyone interested.

10. Community Announcements

- **Peggy Auth:** Talked to president of Turnagain CC - they agreed TCC and SCC can share Spenard Beach Park. We will have an opportunity to make a comment on boundaries by the fall. Executive board will bring a resolution at September meeting.
- **Rep Alyse Galvin:** Presented an award honoring SCC past president Lindsey Hajduk
- **Phil Isley:** Asked/suggested if SCC could put the palm tree at Spenard Beach Park
- **Lindsey Hajduk:** Spenard Corridor Task Force - looking to improve design of Spenard, but now getting into landscaping, etc. Interested parties can contact Lindsey. Spenard Market is happening. Spenard Community Garden is continuing to have weekly meetups on Sunday 11-5. Midtown Garden depot has parties on Wednesday nights at corner of Benson and Cheechako.

10. Adjourn

- **Lindsey Hajduk moved to adjourn the meeting; Tahnee Seccareccia seconded.**
 - **Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm**
- Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 6, 2023.

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