

Old Seward/Oceanview Community Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 24, 2014

- 1) Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m.
- 2) Approval of minutes for January meeting. Gerald Forsyth moved to approve the January minutes and Carolin Wells second. The motion passed.
- 3) Treasurer's Report – we have \$1,977.32
- 4) A motion was made appoint KC Elliott as Secretary. The motion passed.
- 5) Federal Community Council Report: FCC officer nominations are this April. The Muni recently renewed its contract with for FCC and all community councils are in the process of submitting their bylaws for approval.
- 6) President's report:
 - a) The new fire station will now be located outside of the Old Seward/Oceanview area and is to be built on the location of Rabbit Creek Park, on De Armoun Road near Rabbit Creek Elementary. There is no word when this will be built, but the money s appropriated.
- 7) Josh Walton spoke for Representative Craig Johnson.
 - a) The legislative session is about halfway through and the Capitol Budget request has all of Oceanview's current needs submitted and is currently in the Senate. A memo has gone to the House and Senate Finance Committees detailing which projects are the priority for our area. Some requests include:
 - i) 120th Ave. upgrade - \$2 million from the Muni for this year, and trying to get more this year.
 - ii) There was nothing submitted from ASD for computer and technology classroom project requests for South High School, so that has been added along with requests for Mears and Oceanview.
 - iii) Klatt repaving
 - iv) 100th Ave. extension
 - v) \$3 million request for pavement rehab for Senate District K
 - vi) Park safety upgrade for Pioneer Park
 - b) Contact information for Joshua Walton (907) 465-4993 Email Joshua.walton@akleg.gov
- 8) No report from Senator Maguire's office.
- 9) President's report (continued):
 - a) Because of an oversight with the revision of Title 21, all of the parks within the community council area will need to be re-designated as park land. Chris Birch and Jennifer Johnson are aware and are working on the issue.
- 10) Guest Report AK DOTPF:
 - a) Old Seward HWY will be undergoing repaving this summer from Rabbit Creek to Brandon Street. There are two dig out spots along the route by Rabbit Creek which will take more time to complete, but all work will be completed before Oct. 31st. The project should go to bid in May. There is no additional signage included in the project at this time, but all guardrails will be replaced. Design is 50% complete.

- 11) Pat Higgins from the ASD school board spoke on the proposed budget cuts for next year due to the shortfall. There is a \$23 million shortfall this year and a \$26 million shortfall next year. The school board is considering closing some schools in the future and/or renovating classrooms to allow for larger class sizes. There will be layoffs of both administrative and teaching positions, but the district is standing by its 20/20 initiative, 90% attendance rate goal for next year, as well as implementing Common Core standards.
- 12) Assembly candidates: Bruce Doherty, Pete Nolan and Bill Evans introduced themselves and answered questions.
- 13) Old Business:
 - a) John's Road/Klatt intersection, there will be an open house regarding the project
 - b) VFW – no new issues
 - a) MOA P&R - 2 Park Projects
 - (1) **Oceanview Park Volunteer Fix4It day on August 2nd from 9am to noon.** Lunch will be provided, please tell your neighbors.
 - (2) There will be a **Stephenson Park Volunteer Fix4It day on August 23rd from 9am to noon.** Lunch will be provided, please tell your neighbors.
- 14) New Business: Resolution Introduction for Oceanview and Stephenson Parks:
 - a) Nancy Beardsley moved to introduce the resolution. Beth () seconded the motion.
- 15) Meeting adjourned at 8:14pm.