

SPENARD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting at 7pm, March 4, 2015, at the Spenard Recreation Center

AGENDA & NEWSLETTER

1. Minutes and Agenda Action
2. Legislative Teleconference
3. Assembly Report
4. Airport Report
5. Tap Root License Transfer
6. People Mover Proposed Changes
7. Turnagain Elementary Changes
8. Recent Election of Officers/ Officers Report
9. Old and New Business

AIRPORT REPORT

The Lake Hood Master Plan is getting underway and information about it is available at www.lhdmasterplan.com. Also, the Stevens Airport has recently completed its Master Plan Update, which will help guide future airport development. The Update is available at www.ancmasterplan.com/library.

TAP ROOT LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER

TR2, Inc's application for a transfer of the Tap Root beverage dispensary license from Tap Root Alaskan, Inc., which was discussed at the February meeting, was approved by the Assembly at their meeting on February 17, 2015. The matter will be further discussed at the March meeting.

PEOPLE MOVER PROPOSED CHANGES

The People Mover bus service is proposing to dramatically alter service on Route 36, eliminating approximately 20 stops on Minnesota Drive, Tudor Road, Taft Street, 48th Avenue, and Northwood Drive. If the change goes through, there will no longer any bus service to the Spenard Recreation Center or to Northwood Elementary. The Council adopted a resolution rejecting the proposed changes at its February meeting; however, the changes were subsequently approved by the Public Transit Advisory Board at their February 12th meeting, despite overwhelming public testimony against the changes. The matter will be discussed at the March meeting.

RECENT ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS

The annual election of officers, required by the bylaws, occurred at the February meeting. As the current chair was term limited out, Phil Isley was elected as the new chair. Irene Persson was elected as secretary. The other officers, Jason Bergerson (vice chair) and Allen Thornhill (treasurer) were reelected.

TOM BICHSEL

As reported in the February 24, 2015 Alaska Dispatch, long time Spenard

businessman (owner of the Second Chance) and Council member Tom Bichsel, 88, died peacefully at home on February 16, 2015. He will be greatly missed.

TURNAGAIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHANGES

Yuki Janson with the Anchorage School District will make a presentation to the Council regarding proposed changes to Turnagain Elementary School.

SCC MAILING LIST

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