

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Abbreviated Plat Hearing was held on October 30, 2024, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Conference Room 110, located at 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Platting Officer Fred Wagner.

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**1. INTRODUCTION**

A. Introduction of Staff

Staff in Attendance:

- Mr. Fred Wagner, Platting Officer
- Ms. Kayla Kinneen, Administrative Specialist

**2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

(None)

**3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- A. **LAZY SLUMBER**: The request is to create two lots from Parcel I-1, MSB Waiver 83-108-PWm, to be known as **LAZY SLUMBER**, containing 12.08 acres +/- . The subject property is located directly north and directly east of N. Slumber Drive, east of the Matanuska River, and west of N. Wolverine Road; within the SE 1/4 of Section 22, Township 18 North, Range 02 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Lazy Mountain Community Council and Assembly District #1. (Petitioner/Owner: Eron Singleton, Staff: Natasha Heindel, Case #2024-108)

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner, read the case description into the record.

Ms. Kayla Kinneen provided the mailing report.

- Stated that 15 public hearing notices were mailed out on September 16, 2024.

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard, Platting Officer, Fred Wagner closed the public hearing.

- Invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

The petitioner's representative, Wayne Whaley spoke and agrees to the conditions.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 6 conditions. There are 7 findings of fact.

- B. **FISHHOOK AIRSTREAM**: The request is to create two lots from Tax Parcel B6 (MSB Waiver 75-72), (Tax ID 18N02E29B006) to be known as **FISHHOOK AIRSTREAM**, containing 11.90 acres +/- . The property is located directly south of N. Palmer-Fishhook Road, west of N. Glenn Highway, and east of N. Moffit Road; within the NW ¼ Section 29, Township 18 North, Range 02 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Farm Loop Community Council and Assembly District #2. (Petitioner/Owner: Clyde & Peggy Lee, Staff: Chris Curlin, Case #2024-109)

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner, read the case description into the record.

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Ms. Kayla Kinneen provided the mailing report.

- Stated that 18 public hearing notices were mailed out on October 2, 2024.

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard, Platting Officer, Fred Wagner closed the public hearing.

- Invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

**MOTION:** Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 7 conditions. There are 5 findings of fact.

- C. **KERTULLA:** The request is to create four tracts from Parcel B, MSB Waiver #83-97, Recorded as 83-210w excepting that portion deeded to the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities July 21, 2017, recorded as 2017-011841-0, to be known as **KERTTULA SUBDIVISION**, containing 47.342 acres +/- . The property is located east of S. Felton Street, south of E. Palmer Wasilla Highway, and directly west of S. Glenn Highway; within the SE ¼ Section 05, Township 17 North, Range 02 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the City of Palmer and in Assembly District #2. *(Petitioner/Owner: Kertulla Joint Revocable Trust, Staff: Matthew Goddard, Case #2024-117)*

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner, read the case description into the record.

Ms. Kayla Kinneen provided the mailing report.

- Stated that 104 public hearing notices were mailed out on October 8, 2024.

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner opened the public hearing for public testimony.

The following persons spoke:

- Jarrod Yelton
- Nick Mahalo

There being no one else to be heard, Platting Officer, Fred Wagner closed the public hearing.

- Invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

**MOTION:** Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 8 conditions. There are 8 findings of fact.

- D. **TEELING:** The request is to create three lots from Tract #1 and #2, MSB Waiver 86-62-PWm, to be known as **TEELING**, containing 20.0 acres +/- . The subject property is located east of the Matanuska River, directly west of N. Wolverine Road, and directly north of E. Teeling Circle; within the SE 1/4 of Section 22, Township 18 North, Range 02 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Lazy Mountain Community Council and Assembly District #1. *(Petitioner/Owner: Joseph & Tilaundia Hale, Staff: Natasha Heindel, Case #2024-118)*

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner, read the case description into the record.

Ms. Kayla Kinneen provided the mailing report.

- Stated that 27 public hearing notices were mailed out on October 8, 2024.

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner opened the public hearing for public testimony.  
The following persons spoke:

- Nick Mahalo

There being no one else to be heard, Platting Officer, Fred Wagner closed the public hearing.

- Invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 7 conditions. There are 7 findings of fact.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Platting Officer, Fred Wagner adjourned the meeting at 8:39 a.m.

  
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FRED WAGNER, PLS  
Platting Officer

ATTEST:

  
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KAYLA KINNEEN,  
Platting Administrative Specialist

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Abbreviated Plat Hearing was held on November 6, 2024, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Conference Room 110, located at 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Platting Officer Fred Wagner.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

A. Introduction of Staff

Staff in Attendance:

- Mr. Fred Wagner, Platting Officer
- Ms. Kayla Kinneen, Administrative Specialist

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**2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

(None)

**3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- A. **CARNEY HOMESTEAD:** The request is to create four lots from Parcels 1 & 2, MSB Waiver #83-133, Recorded as 83-292w and Tax Parcel B14 (SW1/4, NW1/4 Section 14) to be known as **CARNEY HOMESTEAD**, containing 47 acres +/- . The property is located east of W. Schrock Road, directly north of E. Carney Road and it is bisected by the Little Susitna River; within the NW ¼ Section 14 and the NE¼ Section 15, Township 18 North, Range 01 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Tanaina Community Council and in Assembly District #6. (Petitioner/Owner: Dan Carney, Staff: Matthew Goddard, Case #2024-119)

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner, read the case description into the record.

Ms. Kayla Kinneen provided the mailing report.

- Stated that 14 public hearing notices were mailed out on October 15, 2024.

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard, Platting Officer, Fred Wagner closed the public hearing.

- Invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 6 conditions. There are 5 findings of fact.

- B. **WILLOW BROOK MANOR:** The request is to create one lot from Lots 6 and 7, Block 6, Willow Brook Estates, Plat 73-31, to be known as **Willow Brook Manor**, containing 3.64 acres +/- . The plat is located north of W. Tuxedo Avenue and directly east of N. Pyrite Avenue, located within the SE ¼ Section 8, Township 19 North, Range 04 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Willow Community Council and in Assembly District #7. (Petitioner/Owner: David Johnson, Staff: Chris Curlin, Case #2024-120)

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner, read the case description into the record.

Ms. Kayla Kinneen provided the mailing report.

- Stated that 55 public hearing notices were mailed out on October 15, 2024.

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard, Platting Officer, Fred Wagner closed the public hearing.

- Invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 11 conditions. There are 7 findings of fact.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Platting Officer, Fred Wagner adjourned the meeting at 8:32 a.m.



FRED WAGNER, PLS  
Platting Officer

ATTEST:



KAYLA KINNEEN,  
Platting Administrative Specialist

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Abbreviated Plat Hearing was held on November 13, 2024, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Assembly Chambers, located at 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Platting Officer Fred Wagner.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

A. Introduction of Staff

Staff in Attendance:

- Mr. Fred Wagner, Platting Officer
- Mr. Matthew Goddard, Acting Administrative Specialist

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**2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

(None)

**3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- A. **UDORN RETREAT:** The request is to create one lot by eliminating the common lot line between Lots 1 & 2, Block 4, Adventure Estates, Plat #76-50, to be known as **UDORN RETREAT**, containing 1.872 acres +/- . The property is located east of N. Lucus Road, west of N. Fanciful Place, and directly south of W. Spruce Avenue; within the NW ¼ Section 04, Township 17 North, Range 01 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the City of Wasilla and in Assembly District #4. (Petitioner/Owner: Bernadette M. Rupright, Staff: Matthew Goddard, Case #2024-113)

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner, read the case description into the record.

Mr. Matthew Goddard provided the mailing report.

- Stated that 107 public hearing notices were mailed out on October 21, 2024.

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard, Platting Officer, Fred Wagner closed the public hearing.

- Invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

The petitioner's representative chose not to speak.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 5 conditions. There are 5 findings of fact.

- B. **MERIDIAN PARK EAST:** The request is to create four lots from Tract C, Country Field Estates VI, Plat No. 2001-72 to be known as **MERIDIAN PARK EAST**, containing 26.37 acres +/- . The property is located west of N. Luke Street, north of E. Palmer-Wasilla Highway, and directly east of N. Seward Meridian Parkway; within the SW ¼ Section 06, Township 17 North, Range 01 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the South Lakes Community Council and in Assembly District #4. (Petitioner/Owner: Meridian Park Medical Holding, LLC, Staff: Matthew Goddard, Case #2024-122)

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner, read the case description into the record.

Mr. Matthew Goddard provided the mailing report.

- Stated that 48 public hearing notices were mailed out on October 21, 2024.

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard, Platting Officer, Fred Wagner closed the public hearing.

- Invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 9 conditions. There are 7 findings of fact.

- C. **SUN VALLEY FERRIS II:** The request is to adjust the lot line between Lot 13B-1 and 13B-2, Sun Valley Ferris, Plat 2024-54, to be known as **SUN VALLEY FERRIS II**, containing 4.0 acres +/- . The parcel is located directly east of N. Doro Drive, south of E. Blue Mountain Lane, and west of N. Sun Valley Drive (Tax ID #s 58510000L013B-1 / L013B-2); within Section 35, Township 19 North, Range 01 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Fishhook Community Council and Assembly District #1. (*Petitioner/Owner: Linda Ferris, Staff: Chris Curlin, Case #2024-123*)

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner, read the case description into the record.

Mr. Matthew Goddard provided the mailing report.

- Stated that 24 public hearing notices were mailed out on October 21, 2024.

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard, Platting Officer, Fred Wagner closed the public hearing.

- Invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 6 conditions. There are 5 findings of fact.

- D. **COUNTRY FIELD ESTATES II LOTS 2A & 2B BLOCK 1:** The request is to create two lots from Lot 2, Block 1, Country Field Estates II (Plat# 97-96), to be known as **COUNTRY FIELD ESTATES II LOTS 2A & 2B, BLOCK 1**, containing 3.60 acres +/- . (Tax ID 4682B01L002) The property is located directly north of E. Country Fair Drive and east of N. Jen Circle; within the SW ¼ Section 6, Township 17 North, Range 01 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the South Lakes Community Council and Assembly District #4. (*Petitioner/Owner: Rachel M. Allen, Staff: Chris Curlin, Case #2024-125*)

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner, read the case description into the record.

Mr. Matthew Goddard provided the mailing report.

- Stated that 38 public hearing notices were mailed out on October 21, 2024.

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard, Platting Officer, Fred Wagner closed the public hearing.

- Invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 7 conditions. There are 5 findings of fact.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Platting Officer, Fred Wagner adjourned the meeting at 8:34 a.m.



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FRED WAGNER, PLS  
Platting Officer

ATTEST:



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MATTHEW GODDARD,  
Acting Platting Administrative Specialist



The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Abbreviated Plat Hearing was held on November 20, 2024, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Assembly Chambers, located at 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Platting Officer Fred Wagner.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

A. Introduction of Staff

Staff in Attendance:

- Mr. Fred Wagner, Platting Officer
- Ms. Kayla Kinneen, Administrative Specialist

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**2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

(None)

**3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- A. **GLACIER HEIGHTS 2024:** The request is to adjust the common lot line between Lots 3A & 3B, Block 4, Glacier Heights Add No 1, Plat #2020-32, to be known as **GLACIER HEIGHTS 2024**, containing 4.4 acres +/- . The property is located north and west of Carnegie Creek, south of E. Jensen Road, and east of N. Palmer-Fishhook Road (Tax ID #7998B04L003A / L003B); within the SE ¼ Section 13, Township 18 North, Range 01 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Fishhook Community Council and in Assembly District #1. (Petitioner/Owner: Ken Hendrickson & Mark Long, Staff: Matthew Goddard, Case #2024-126)

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner, read the case description into the record.

Ms. Kayla Kinneen provided the mailing report.

- Stated that 27 public hearing notices were mailed out on October 29, 2024.

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard, Platting Officer, Fred Wagner closed the public hearing.

- Invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 6 conditions. There are 8 findings of fact.

- B. **CHRIS LOTS 1 & 2:** The request is to create two lots by adjusting the common lot line of Lots 1 & 2, Chris Subdivision, Plat No. 99-23 to be known as **CHRIS LOTS 1 & 2**, containing 2.00 acres +/- . The property is located north of E. Parks Highway, south and east of E. Palmer Wasilla Highway, and directly east of S. August Circle(Tax ID # 4844000L001 / L002); within the NE ¼ Section 11, Township 17 North, Range 01 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the South Lakes Community Council and in Assembly District #4. (Petitioner/Owner: Sergey & Artem Litvin, Staff: Matthew Goddard, Case #2024-127)

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner, read the case description into the record.

Ms. Kayla Kinneen provided the mailing report.

- Stated that 24 public hearing notices were mailed out on October 29, 2024.

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard, Platting Officer, Fred Wagner closed the public hearing.

- Invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 8 conditions. There are 7 findings of fact.

- C. **PEMBERLEY ESTATE**: The request is to create one lot from Lots 11 and 12, Block 13, Memory Lake Estates – Unit 1, Plat 72-58, to be known as **PEMBERLEY ESTATE**, containing 1 acre +/- (Tax ID's 1077B13L011&1077B13L012) The plat is located directly north of E. Red Fox Drive and directly east of N. Red Fox Circle. Located within the NE ¼ Section 26, Township 18 North, Range 01 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Tanaina Community Council and Assembly District #6. (*Petitioner/Owner: Jimmy & Rana Chalder, Staff: Chris Curlin, Case #2024-128*)

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner, read the case description into the record.

Ms. Kayla Kinneen provided the mailing report.

- Stated that 262 public hearing notices were mailed out on October 29, 2024.

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard, Platting Officer, Fred Wagner closed the public hearing.

- Invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 6 conditions. There are 5 findings of fact.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Platting Officer, Fred Wagner adjourned the meeting at 8:33 a.m.



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FRED WAGNER, PLS  
Platting Officer

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KAYLA KINNEEN,  
Platting Administrative Specialist

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH  
AGRICULTURE ADVISORY BOARD**

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| Chairman – LaMarr Anderson (01) | Melanie Glatt (03)      | VACANT (06)         | Kenneth Hoffman (10) |
| Vice Chair – Stephen Brown (08) | Alexandria Hoffman (04) | Adam Jensi (07)     | Thomas Bergey (11)   |
| Amanda Salmon (02)              | Jozef Slowik (05)       | Misty O'Connor (09) | VACANT (12)          |

**MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
DSJ BUILDING  
LOWER LEVEL CONFERENCE ROOM**

**October 16, 2024  
4:30 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

Mr. Anderson called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

Members present and establishing a quorum were: LaMarr Anderson, Melanie Glatt (by phone), Alexandria Hoffman (arrived 4:39 p.m., left 5:52 p.m.), Jozef Slowik, Adam Jensi (left 5:15 p.m.), Misti O'Connor, Kenneth Hoffman (arrived 4:39 p.m.), and Thomas Bergey (left 5:49 p.m.).

Members absent and excused: Stephen Brown, Amanda Salmon

Staff present: Suzanne Reilly/Asset Manager, Joseph Metzger/Land Management Division Manager, Margie Cobb/Department Administrative Specialist

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Agenda approved as presented.

III. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Limit 3 minutes)

Benjamin Raevsky: Spoke regarding pros/cons of subdivision of agricultural, suggesting the Board set stringent requirements for smaller lots.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Bergey moved to approve the September 18, 2024 Minutes; seconded by Mr. Jensi. minutes were approved as presented.

V. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

A. Staff Report – Suzanne Reilly

- Public notice has been mailed to the Board for property subdivision; this will be presented to the Board next meeting for action.

Questions asked by Board to Staff:

- Mr. Slowik: With the approval of State passing tax relief, does this Board need to bring this to Assembly to adopt? Mr. Metzger will ask Borough Attorney and get answer to Board at the next meeting.
- Mr. Jensi: Question regarding Engstrom North Bypass project that will be running through an agriculture parcel. Mr. Metzger: Since this property is not

part of the Borough Agricultural program, there is technically not anything this Board can officially do.

- Ms. O'Connor: Reported on outreach for vacancies on the Board. Discussion on this effort followed.

B. Work Session

Investigate the feasibility of smaller parcels and more subdivisions and develop a recommendation to the Assembly while ensuring de minimis loss of agricultural land.

Mr. Anderson noted that he invited Fred Wagner, Borough Platting Officer, to join today's meeting to share Borough Code requirements.

At 4:58 p.m. motion was made to go into Committee As A Whole by Mr. Bergey, seconded by Mr. Hoffman. At 5:50 p.m. motion was made to come out of Committee As a Whole by Mr. Hoffman, seconded by Ms. O'Connor.


VI. MEMBER COMMENTS (Limit to 3 minutes)

- Ms. O'Connor: Took a lot of notes from discussion; appreciated comments made by others. Would like to see the Board stay open with all possibilities on definition of what a farm is.
- Mr. Hoffman: From a production standpoint 5 acres could work, but realistically 10 acres for government efficiency and less rules, keeps it simple.
- Ms. Glatt: Flexibility needed. We need to be smart how lands are broken down.
- Mr. Anderson: Definitely need to continue discussion for smaller acres. Contact Mr. Wagner if you have questions regarding subdividing. A reminder to Board members that attendance at these meetings is important as this discussion continues; the Board cannot go backward once decisions are made.

VII. NEXT MEETING: November 20, 2024 – Assembly Chambers/Back Half


VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Anderson adjourned the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

  
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LaMarr Anderson, Chairman

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Margie Cobb  
Department Administrative Specialist

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Big lake RSA #21  
Monday January 8, 2024  
Big Lake Lions Center, Big lake 6:30pm

**AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

- Determination of Quorum (min of 3 needed). In attendance:  
 Pat Daniels, Primary                       Mark Fish                       Jill Parson  
 Andrew Traxler                                       Garland Morrison

**PLEDGE OF ALLIGENCE**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

- *Any Additions to the agenda under new business*

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

- *November 13, meeting minutes*

**Acknowledge Staff and Guest**

- Dustin Spidal
- MSB RMS road report
- Matt Problem Reporter / Private property snow in the ROW.
- MSB Assembly update

**PERSONS TO BE HEARD (3-minute limit)**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

- RSA Board Elections
- Set 2024 yearly meeting schedule. February 12, 2024, pending Board confirmation.
- RIP list discussion / Jolly Creek
- Full winter road width operational review for the month of January.
- MSB Inventory attachment.

**BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BOARD COMMENTS**

**NEXT MEETING**

Official Monthly Meeting February 12, 2024 @ 6:30pm.

**ADJOURNMENT** [www MSB Problem Reporter](http://www.MSBProblemReporter.com) / Road Hotline number 1-907-861-7755

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**Big Lake RSA #21 Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, September 9, 2024**  
**Big Lake Lions Center, 6:30pm**

Primary Supervisor Pat Daniels called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm. Supervisors Jill Parson, Pat Daniels, Terry Gorlick, and Garland Morrison were present, representing a quorum. Andrew Traxler was absent.

Meeting notice was published timely in the Frontiersman and in the MSB calendar.

Agenda was approved as presented.

Minutes for August 12 and September 3 Fall ride around meetings were approved as presented.

**COMMUNITY BOARD UPDATES:**

RSA Board update on zones: Zone 1-Garland and Jill, Zone 2-Terry, Zone 3-Pat, and Zone 4-Andrew (no report).

\*No LRSAAB (Big Board) meeting

\*TAB (Transportation Advisory Board) meeting cancelled

**Staff and Guests:**

\*Two community members were present.

\*Staff present was Dustin Spidal with Public Works projects update and Sky LeDoux with Road Maintenance update.

\*Bill Gamble, Assembly member, reported Dustin's promotion, TIP24 bond projects require no match and includes Echo Lake

**PERSONS TO BE HEARD:**

\*Michael Dale commented again on issues on his road: no calcium chloride, does grading require compacting?

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

\*Discussion on fall ride around issues.

\*2025 RIP list - need to pass next meeting.

\*Jolly Creek/Cherrywood Dr. drainage project needs easements from private parties, now in process. PreDesign and Engineering has applied for emergency water funds.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

\*Next meeting to finalize RIP list, when Andrew attends and allocate Capital Funds of \$125K.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

BOARD COMMENTS: None

Next regular meeting Monday, October 14, 2024, 6:30pm, Big Lake Lions.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Pat Daniels, Primary

Date 10-14-24 Jill Parson, Acting Secretary

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**Big Lake RSA #21 Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, October 14, 2024**  
**Big Lake Lions Center, 6:30pm**

Primary Supervisor Pat Daniels called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm. Supervisors Pat Daniels, Jill Parson, Terry Gorlick, Andrew Traxler and Garland Morrison were present, representing a quorum.

Meeting notice was published timely in the Frontiersman and in the MSB calendar.

Agenda was approved as presented.

Minutes for September 9, 2024, were approved as presented.

**COMMUNITY BOARD UPDATES:**

\*RSA Board update on zones: Zone 1-Garland and Jill, Zone 2-Terry, Zone 3-Pat, and Zone 4-Andrew. All Supervisors reported on their areas with observations and suggestions.

\*LRSAAB (Big Board) and TAB Board have had presentations for the Borough's new traffic studies on shared roads and pathways.

**Staff and Guests:**

\*One community member present.

\*Staff present was Dustin Spidal with Public Works update and road maintenance update: 1) Borough is doing MSB-wide audit on road maintenance and if not done per contract, \$ will be deducted from maintenance contract. 2) All contractors need to install GPS trackers by date in Oct. 1 letter. The Board agreed by a show of hands to support Dustin's decisions to repair roads not maintained by the Borough, to ensure emergency access.

\*Bill Gamble, Assembly member, did not attend meeting so no Assembly update.

**PERSONS TO BE HEARD:**

\*Michael Dale commented on 1. keeping notes on issues to be addressed in next contract after seeing results from this contract, and 2. Sky looked at Shotgun and he wants to know what is to be done.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

\*Motion was made by Jill to submit RIP list with Jolly Creek/Cherrywood as only project. Board voted to postpone decision on this motion until next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

\*No actions, some discussion, on agenda items.

**BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None

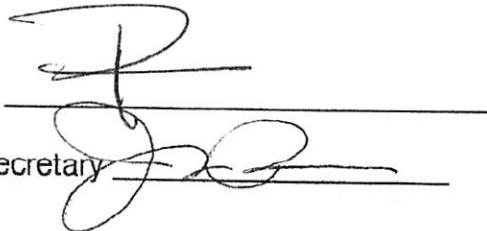
**BOARD COMMENTS:** Andrew stated, "Susitna River Coalition has never attended an RSA board meeting; they do not represent what our community has said to board members. No Big Lake resident has ever contacted a board member or attended an RSA board meeting in opposition to West Susitna Access road being built." Topic to be discussed in next RSA21 meeting.

Next regular meeting Monday, November 11, 2024, 6:30pm, Big Lake Lions.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Pat Daniels, Primary

Date 11-11-2024 Jill Parson, Acting Secretary



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RSA 21 Big Lake RESOLUTION 24-03

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TO: THE MATSU BOROUGH ASSEMBLY, THE BOROUGH MANAGER, AND PUBLIC WORKS

A RESOLUTION OF BIG LAKE ROAD SERVICE AREA #21 (RSA21) BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOMMENDING ITS 2025 RIP LIST AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed many proposed projects for RSA21 roads; and

WHEREAS, the RSA21 Board of Supervisors agree that the Jolly Creek/Cherrywood project is its highest priority for completion since other road improvements needed in RSA21 are contingent upon this drainage issue being resolved; and

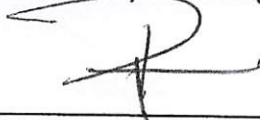
WHEREAS, this drainage issue has been recognized as needed since a 2007 hydrology report but no action was taken until 2022 when the RSA21 Board of Supervisors recommended funds be allocated to pay for design of the project; and

WHEREAS, design for this project is nearing completion; and

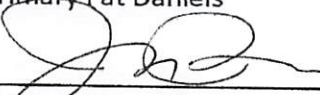
WHEREAS, A bond issue that will pay for approximately one-half of this project has been approved by the Borough voters.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that RSA21 Big Lake Board of Supervisors recommends that the Jolly Creek/Cherrywood project, first priority on its 2024 RIP list, remain as the top priority project on its 2025 RIP list.

ADOPTED by RSA21 Big Lake Board of Supervisors on Nov. 11, 2024:



Primary Pat Daniels



Attest: Jill Parson, Acting Secretary, RSA#21



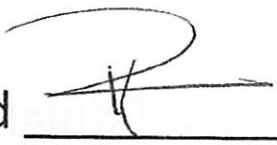
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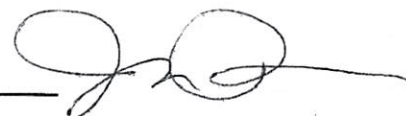
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The following resolution 24-05 passed the RSA Advisory Board to allow Pat Daniels and Terry Gorlick, to be the Committee members of the 2024-2025 optional Jolly Creek Funding and recommend committee, to advise our assemblyman and appropriate Borough managers what additional options are available and recommendations how to proceed. Permission is granted by the RSA 21 board for the two individuals to act as responsible fiduciaries on behalf of RSA 21 and the constituents we represent. It was voted on, and of the 5-board members the vote was 5 of 5 in favor.

Signed  - RSA Primary Pat Daniels

Date 11-11-2024

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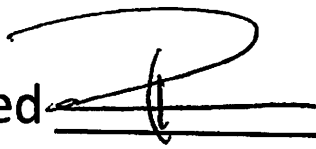
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RSA 21 Resolution number 24-05 November 11, 2024

The following resolution 24-05 passed the RSA Advisory Board to allow Pat Daniels and Terry Gorlick, to be the Committee members of the 2024-2025 Fund Balance Review, and Recommend committee, to advise our assemblyman and appropriate Borough managers what should be done with the pre and audited RSA 21 excess fund balance for specific designated transfer. Permission is granted by the RSA 21 board for the two individuals to act as responsible fiduciaries on behalf of RSA 21 and the constituents we represent. It was voted on, and of the 5-board members the vote was 4 of 5 in favor.

Signed  - RSA Primary Pat Daniels

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Matanuska Susitna Borough  
Butte Fire Service Area Board of Directors  
Minutes

Regular Meeting 11 July 2024

Meeting Time: 10:03 a.m.

Location: Butte Station 21

- I. Call to order: As the meeting was properly noticed and a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Gregory Nilsson, Butte FSA Chair.
- II. Roll Call: Gregory Nilsson, Mitzi Van Asdlan – Present  
Fire Department Staff: Chief Michael Shipton, Director Davis – Present
- III. Stood for the Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Minutes of the 11 January 2024 meeting were presented with correction and accepted. The April 2024 meeting minutes were presented and accepted.
- V. Reports/Correspondence: Chief Shipton reported the FY 2024 Budget has been closed out and the 2025 budget started has of 1 July 2024. Butte Fire Department responded to 67 calls in the second calendar quarter of the year. Recruiting, retention and training of personnel remains a priority. An amount of \$940,000 has been set aside for a new Pumper/Tender to replace two vehicles. The new Maud Road fill station is being equipped with water level tubes this fall for a spring assessment.
- VI. Financial: There is nothing to report on the FY 25 budget since it has just begun. There was some adjustment of budgetary items for FY 24 to cover areas of increase with areas that did not or decreased.
- VII. Director's Report: Dir. Davis said it would take about a month to finalize the FY 24. Borough Fire Services supported the Forestry Service for a week during the 160 acre Montana Creek fire.

**Butte Fire Service Area Board of Directors  
Regular Meeting 11 July 2024**

- VIII. Other Business: None.  
IX. Adjournment 10:49 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



**Mitzi Van Asdlan  
Assistant to the Chair**

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Matanuska Susitna Borough  
Butte Fire Service Area Board of Directors  
Minutes

Regular Meeting 10 October 2024

Meeting Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Butte Station 21

The regular meeting of the Butte Fire Service Area Board was not held due to the fact we did not have a quorum. Director Davis, Chief Shipton and Ms. Van Asdlan were present.

The members present discussed the situation and decided to ask that the December meeting be brought forward to November. This would give the members a chance to look at the budget and keep the time between meetings within reason.

Ms. Van Asdlan telephoned the other members, Mr. Nilsson and Mr. Hicks, to see if they agreed with the change. Having received their assent the Borough Clerk's office was notified of the changes. The December 2024 meeting was cancelled and the new meeting was set for 14 November 2024.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mitzi Van Asdlan

Assistant to the Chair

**Minutes of the Chase Community Council  
Board of Directors Meeting**

**Date/Time: 7/17/2024 7:00PM**

**Location: AKRR mile 232 gravel pit**

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The meeting was called to order at \_\_\_\_7\_\_ PM

A quorum was established with the following Board members present (minimum 3):

Sarah Hogan, Jerry Boutte, Mike Woods(via phone) absent member Peg Foster and Tim Cox

Chase Community landowners present:

Beth Pike, George Stanley, Donnie Billington, Molly Woods and James and Cheryl Tunnell

**AGENDA**

Sarah Hogan made a motion to approve the agenda, Jerry Boutte seconded the motion. All approved: Y

**MINUTES** The minutes of the January quarterly were read James Tunnell made a motion to approve the minutes and Donnie Billington seconded. The minutes were approved by the council at large

**Correspondence :**

**Treasurer's Report:**

Our treasurer reported from the last meeting was that we have a total of \$50,377.98 in our account. The proposed project accounts have not been set up as of yet, no new news was available at this meeting.

**Announcements:**

**Susitna River Dam Committee** – No new information from Dam committee

**Future RR Bridge rework committee-** The following are notes from our Committee chairman about the recent bridge rework meeting.

1. Closures of the TW (walkway) will be substantially from October 1 - December 1 - starting right after moose season.
2. Closures will be communicated weekly on Fridays projecting 2 weeks out.
3. Info will be posted at the post office bulletin board, the entrance to the Chase Trail, and probably through Chase Facebook. We specifically requested an online notification and it seemed that Claire's Chase Facebook page could make the most sense. Someone within the CCC could then email out the schedule as it is posted for those of us that don't use Facebook. In a sidebar conversation I had - they didn't want to post updates through the ARRC website citing cyber security constraints. I imagine they have internal approvals for what is posted as well.
4. The TW will be 47" all the way across with 2 - 42" tall bollards at each end and it isn't changing.. for better or worse..
5. There will be a plate steel toe board 8" tall down each side, at the bottom of the railing, intended to prevent snow machine skis from hooking the railings. This will not encroach on the 47" clearance.
6. The TW will be open generally at all other times with a few short exceptions.

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7. The contractor's contact person, Paul Santi, suggested they were going to do everything they could to be accommodating, and we have his direct email contact info.
8. Closures could be 12, 24, or even 36 hours.
9. The trestle work will be ongoing through winter and completed in April '25.
10. Nothing but staging will be done before the end of moose season (September 25 I think)

There might be an enlarged area north of the bridge for vehicle storage during closures.

### **Old Business**

Some discussion was made about obtaining gravel for future repairs to be made on the main Chase Trail from the Talkeetna river bridge to the mile 232 RR crossing nothing concrete was decided.

The committee that was formed at our last meeting to investigate taking over the lease on the Talkeetna Parking lot that Chase residents use haven't resolved anything yet but are making a list of questions that would need to be answered about what a venture like that would entail. The feelings of most of the people who attended the meeting was that a venture like that was beyond what our local community council could take on.

The future proposed Alaska Long Trail as of present does not have a path laid out for going through our area

### **New Business**

The following is an update from Meghan Clemens a RR employee about the status of the up-coming Talkeetna RR bridge walkway replacement closures. Megan Clemens-Confirmed with the project team – the trainman's walkway work isn't scheduled to begin until Oct 1. Once construction begins, as a rule, the trainman's walkway replacement will take place at night, and will be open for travel during the day between 7am till 10pm (there will be temporary closures of the trainman's walkway during the bridge rehab due to the nature of removing the rivets and the safety of the public but for the most part access to the trainman's will be available for daily travel). For more timely updates once construction begins, the contractor will be posting two week look-ahead schedules on the SWIPP boards at both ends of the bridge, the library, the post, and at the fire department; and the Chase Community Council will also be provided those schedule updates so that it can be posted on social media platforms.

I believe that there will be postings on the Chase facebook page of closing.

Mental health trust is proposing a possible sale of a couple of large agricultural parcels in our area it was decided to send them an official statement from the Chase Community Council informing them of our comprehensive plan, compact ATV classification and the agricultural zoning requirements of the parcels up for a possible sale etc.

No community assistance grant have been solicited as of yet

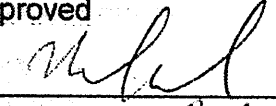
### **Persons to be Heard**

James Tunnell moved to adjourn the meeting and Donnie Billington seconded. The motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.



Minutes respectfully submitted by \_\_\_\_\_ Beth Pike (acting secretary)

Minutes Approved

Signature: , Chairperson Date: Oct 16, 2024

Attested:  Secretary Date: Oct 17 - 2024

Mail with agenda to:

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GREATER PALMER CONSOLIDATED  
FIRE SERVICE AREA  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
TUESDAY, July 30, 2024  
9:00 A.M.- PALMER FIRE TRNG CENTER

## MINUTES

- A. CALL TO ORDER The meeting of the Greater Palmer Consolidated Fire Service Area Board of Supervisors was called to order at 9:00 A.M.
- B. ROLL CALL In attendance were GPCFSA Board of Supervisors members, Marty Van Diest and Ted Stuff; GPCFSA Chief Chad Cameron and GPCFSA Deputy Chief John Prevost; Matanuska Borough Director of Emergency Services, Ken Barkley, and Matanuska Borough Deputy Director of Emergency Services - Fire and Rescue, Brian Davis.
- C. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL The minutes of the last GPCFSA Board of Supervisors meeting on April 12, 2024, were approved.
- D. NEW BUSINESS AND GENERAL DISCUSSION

### 1. STATION 39 UPDATE

Director Barkley and Deputy Director Davis presented a progress report for the Station 39 project. The final architect's plan, as well as the current project funding summary were discussed. The latest revisions show that the estimated construction cost for the building has increased to approximately \$510 sq/ft for the 32,796 sq/ft project. This makes the total cost now, \$16,000,000. The Greater Palmer Consolidated FSA previously approved \$2,500,000 to be applied toward the project. An additional \$1,600,000 of funds from the GPCFSA was requested at this meeting. After questions and discussion, the GPCFSA Board voted and approved, \$1,600,000 more for the project. The total amount allocated to the building from the GPCFSA is now \$4,100,000, or approximately 24% of the total estimated project cost.

Director Barkley and Deputy Director Davis also requested \$650,000 of GPCFSA funds to be utilized on a temporary basis, for loan verification and the Station 39 water pumping system. The \$650,000 will be returned to the GPCFSA from proceeds of the future sale of Station 3-9. Following questions and discussion, the GPCFSA Board voted, and approved \$650,000.

The project will be presented to the Borough Assembly for review and approval prior to being advertised for bid.

### 2. CHIEF CAMERON REPORT

Chief Cameron shared that the new full-time positions have been beneficial in allowing for more pre-fire planning, additional community involvement and contact, and availability of key personnel in times of high call volume. Chief Cameron reported that call volume is up approximately 10% this year.

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Chief Cameron stated that currently, there are no urgent needs for equipment, upgrades, or repairs at any of the GPCFSA stations. Funds will be needed in the future for improvements at Station 35, as well as replacement of Command Vehicle 35.

### 3. GENERAL DISCUSSION

Deputy Director Davis stated that the several areawide FSA's provided equipment and personnel to assist in containment of the Montana Creek wildfire. The FSA's response times, communication, and collaboration with Alaska State Forestry during this fire, worked out well.

### E. ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, a motion was made by Board member Ted Stuff to adjourn the meeting. There was a second to the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 A.M.



Barry W. Mothershead, Chairperson  
Greater Palmer Consolidated FSA  
Board of Supervisors

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Greater Talkeetna Road Service Board of Supervisors  
Minutes of Regular Meeting  
October 10, 2024

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A regular meeting of the Greater Talkeetna Road Service Area Board of Supervisors (RSA 29) was held via Zoom at 6:30 pm on October 10, 2024. Board members John Strassenburgh, Billy FitzGerald, and Robert Gerlach attended, as did Dustin Spidal, Operational Branch Manager for Roads and Dawn Harris, D&S Road Maintenance Services. District 7 Assembly candidate Sheena Fort and Melissa Heuer, of the Susitna River Coalition (SRC) also attended.

- I. There was a quorum, and the meeting was called to order at 6:36 pm.
- II. Minutes of the August 8, 2024 RSA 29 meeting were approved as written. Note that our September 12, 2024 meeting was cancelled.
- III. The first agenda item had to do with the embankment stabilization project on Montana Creek near the Yoder bridge. Melissa, representing SRC (the host organization of the project), explained the nature and scope of the project as well as funding information. This is a multi-year project in which the Borough is participating, in part via the RSA 29 RIP project list.
- IV. Brief discussion occurred regarding the use of Perma-zyme in the future. Further analysis is needed to make that determination.
- V. Lengthy discussion occurred regarding Public Construction projects and how Davis-Bacon applies. The conversation focused on the question of whether, under the Public Construction model, Davis-Bacon kicks in when an individual project exceeds \$25,000 or whether it kicks in when the aggregate of all the projects performed in a fiscal year is over \$25,000. The implications of RSA 29's capacity to fund its projects, which often range between \$15,000 and \$25,000, were discussed. The implications will likely be significant, and further analysis of the problem will be continuing. The issue will be included in future RSA 29 meeting agendas.
- VI. Dawn reported that the Public Construction job of remediating D Street, C Street, and the end of Main Street downtown is complete.
- VII. Dustin reported that the Woodpecker paving project is substantially complete, with the exception of a few loose ends. Mailboxes need to be raised in order to accommodate mail delivery. In addition, discussion ensued regarding the need for speed limit signs and striping (i.e., road center and fog lines near the edges), on the theory that wide, smooth roads are conducive to faster speeds, the Board believes that such signs and striping are important in enhancing safety.

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- VIII. Dawn raised the question of the availability and use of sand on Woodpecker now that it is paved. Considering that the road is largely flat, sand may not be needed. The question isn't yet resolved.
- IX. Billy raised the issue of Beaver gravel pit and the potential unauthorized removal of the gravel. Dustin will speak with Emerson about security at the Beaver pit.
- X. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Sincerely,

  
John Strasenburgh  
RSA 29 Primary Supervisor

Attested to by RSA 29 Board Member Robert Gerlach ~~at~~ via Zoom at RSA 29 Regular Meeting on November 14, 2024.



Minutes  
RSA 20 Advisory Board Meeting  
December 28 2023  
Willow Community Center

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**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

Meeting Called off at 7:03 PM by Tom Phillips

**II. Pledge OF ALLEGIENCE**

Tom Phillips

**III. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM— QUORUM**

A; Tom Phillips, , Bill Dale  
s, Dustin Spidle MSB ,

**IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA— Approved Tom & Bill**

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES— October 26 2023 approved Bill & Tom**

**VI. AGENCY REPORTS -= Dustin mentioned the new contract**

**VII. Staff Report— Dustin commented that Erica contract should start in March also that there is \$100,000 for each Wade Dr. and Tuxedo bridge.**

**VIII. Contractor - Dawn Harris Reported fairly good winter, . Will start grading as needed. Brushing first week of May. Shoulder work on asphalt. Stevens Lake subdivision gained traction D & S to do punch list.**

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**ix. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:**

Todd requested a work session to look at unmaintained roads regarding impact of residents.

Special meeting to work on unmaintained roads.

**X. OLD BUSINESS:** Erica pavement is now on the RIP list, address the sub-standard railway crossing of Lynx Lake Road.

**XI. NEW BUSINESS:** Received a request to add Giggly Girls Road to the maintenance list. What's the status?

Winter maintenance contract?

**XIII. CORRESPONDENCE.** none

**XIV.** Next meeting is scheduled for December 28 2023

**XV.** Motioned to adjourn, 8:00 pm

Tom Phillips

RSA Supervisor

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**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH  
LIBRARY BOARD**

**Chairperson** – Georgia Knazovich - Wasilla  
**Vice Chair** - Kathy Kysar - Sutton  
**Secretary** – Chad Scott - At Large 1

**Big Lake** – Karen Crandall  
**Trapper Creek** – Virginia Robson  
**Willow** – Vacant

**Palmer** - Susan Pougher  
**Mary Fischer** – Talkeetna  
**At Large 2** – Martha Kincaid

**Meeting Minutes**

**REGULAR MEETING  
Sutton Public Library and Zoom**

**October 8th, 2024  
1:00 PM**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER**
  - A. The Meeting on October 8th, 2024, was called to order at 1:02 PM by Chairperson Georgia Knazovich, at the Sutton Library.
- II. **ROLL CALL – DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**
  - A. Present were Georgia Knazovich, Kathy Kysar, Chad Scott, Karen Crandall, Susan Pougher, and Virginia Robson. A quorum was present.
- III. **AGENDA APPROVAL**
  - A. Kathy Kysar made the motion to approve the agenda seconded by Virginia Robson. The agenda was approved without objection.
- IV. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
  - A. The Pledge of Allegiance was made.
- V. **MINUTES OF THE PRECEDING MEETING**
  - A. Kathy Kysar moved to accept the minutes. Susan Pougher asked to correct the minutes under advocacy A, where she was attributed as Karen instead of Susan (unintentionally). There was no seconding of the motion, and Chairperson Georgia Knazovich accepted the minutes without objection.
- VI. **BOROUGH STAFF REPORTS**
  - A. Hugh Leslie – Recreation & Library Services Manager:
  - B. Mr. Leslie Reported that the Jay Nolfi fishcreek park ribbon cutting would be held Tuesday, October 15th at 4:00 pm. He mentioned that the strategic plan for bids on the Mat-Su Borough web page under projects and development and bid proposals was out on the street and open for bids. And explained how to track the bidding process as it proceeds. He was asked about the Jolly Creek project and gave a brief update.  
  
Sarah Thomas asked for input for next year's scheduling and mentioned that after the new calendar year, we will no longer be utilizing librarians' Zoom in favor of a borough staff-controlled Microsoft Teams platform.
  - B. Juli Buzby - Sutton: Shared about their youth-led trunk-or-treat community event. Youth are involved in setting up, decorating, and cleanup. As well as the annual fall basket



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auction, and silent auction the first few weeks of November. Good numbers for home school programs, Sewing Saturdays, and a well-attended yoga group.

- C. Geri Denkwalter - Talkeetna: Have had some quiet time to finish winterizing in preparation for cold weather. They started a music-in-motion program with 18 kids on Tuesdays and continued breakfast book club and story time with leaves, pumpkins and spiders. Fall book bingo is going well doing a thousand books before Thanksgiving. They are trying to make preparations for a sewing program. A local chef is leading a stone soup program to teach cooking skills. Starting reading mentors. They are short-staffed but many picking up slack to make things work.
- D. Zane Treesh - Wasilla: circulated over 20,000 items again. Currently hiring for two part-time positions, they have hired an adult programming position starting with an intro to email for adults. Had a book sale and fundraiser. Did an annual bookmark contest k-12 with 760 entries.
- E. Marita Crosby - Trapper Creek: Starting an adult craft program for winter painting 36 bowls for the upper Susitna Food Pantry project empty bowls fundraiser. Lots of activity with homeschoolers and toddler programs. Friends of the Library meeting to go over planning for Christmas and cookie decorating day.
- F. Big Lake Library: Starting afterschool programs with a morning program for pre-K and babies. Had a community meeting about the Jordan Lake Park upgrade and rerouting of Jolly Creek. The media room has been very busy. Crochet class and an escape room for teens. Still short-staffed and looking forward to being fully staffed soon.
- H. Susan Pougher - Palmer: There is an article in the Matsu Centinal about the new Library building. They are moving forward with the demolition of the old building by the end of the month. The new building will have a 15 million dollar budget and a 18,000 sqft two-story design. Current programs are being run at the train station on Tuesdays for baby lap sit and toddler time and midweek meet-ups for teens and movie night. Crafting Saturdays at the temporary Library.

#### VIII. PERSONS TO BE HEARD/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – 3 minutes per person

- A. Jackie Goforth: Stated her involvement in the book reconciliation process has not been as a book-banning Nazi as some have claimed but to have books reshelved to more proper adult shelves if they are indeed inappropriate. She mentioned that eight books have recently been reshelved by both librarians and publishers into appropriate shelves. She further stated that reshelving is not banning and should not be considered book banning when librarians and publishers of herself request books be moved. She said many of the problems arise with the changing standards of

publishers and libraries for what constitutes “young adult” ranging from what used to be 14-17 by publishers then changed to 12-17 and now 16+ for our libraries, thus enabling grossly inappropriate material to find its way into the shelves. She cited a Palmer City lawyer's statement that the sole measure of inappropriateness is determined by the prevailing values of the community as a whole in which the library operates and is, not bound by any other legal requirement.

- B. Karen Lewis: Was glad indecent books are being moved to adult sections. I expressed hope that with the opening of the new Palmer Library, some of these books could be considered and removed or reshelved properly because once they are improperly placed, it is much harder to correct them. Stated, that the School Board completely removed seven books with a judge's approval and expressed gratitude that the process was working.
- C. Jeannie Troshynsk: Thanked those on the Board who understand the importance of supporting the Library's work in serving the community, not the people who go to church with and think like them. Mentioned how pleased she was to hear from Lawyers from out of state that book bans were failing. Spoke in support of author Sarah Moss and the Friends of the Library activities. Mentioned Alaskan Author Trisha Brown being at the Library to promote her book, “Queen of Fairbanks”.

#### IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Board Vacancy: The vacancy was filled by the Mayor's appointment of Mark Sphon, but his oath of office was not yet signed, making him ineligible to be officially seated for the meeting. The Chairperson recognized him and had him introduce himself to the Board.
- B. Strategic Plan Update: Covered in Staff Report
- C. LCAC: Hugh mentioned an upcoming meeting the next Monday to review the book, “Forever” by Judy Blume. Stated that other potential books to be reviewed may include the titles: “Damsel” “The Haters”, and “Anne Frank’s Diary: A Graphic Adaptation”. The LCAC will not have a November meeting for the recognition of Veterans Day. The next meeting will be the second Monday of December.

#### X. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Promotion of Libraries: Kathy Kysar moved to table the discussion due to the absence of Marty Kincaid, who requested the discussion. There was no opposition.

#### XI. ADVOCACY

- A. None

#### XII. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. None.

### XIII. MEMBER COMMENTS

- A. Virginia Robson: Commented that people ask her why there is a Library board and that they think they don't do anything. She can list all the activities reported in the meetings and then asks them, "When was the last time you were there? And that shuts them up pretty good". Chairperson Knazovich added, "Or they say they don't have a library card".
- B. Susan Pougher: Commented that in her work, she travels to small villages, and they usually don't have libraries except maybe in their school, and adults do not have a place they can go to get books. Local stores do not carry books, and while in the village last, she ran out of things to read and found one book among all the adults that she knew there. Not surprisingly, the reading level of the children is impacted, leading to some of the lowest reading levels in the nation. And expressed gratitude for our community being able to have our libraries.
- C. Chad Scott: Mentioned a study found online by elite universities claiming a drastic decline in the reading habits of incoming students and that only 1 out of 10 had read more than half a dozen books, and most are struggling with attention span issues and the ability to finish a book to completion; leading to the loss of reading comprehension and the ability to retain broad themes as well as finite details. Emphasizing the need for further support for reading advocacy and libraries.
- D. Karen Crandall: Spoke on the importance of the reading mentors program and the importance of utilizing the local seniors groups to help aid young persons reading. Suggested working closer with schools to emphasize and encourage more reading programs to combat the challenges of a loss of reading comprehension brought on, she believes, as a result of constant computer use in the classrooms.
- E. Susan Pougher: At the close of Member Comments, Susan asked for the Board to recognize a group of women who had just walked in.
- F. Georgia Knazovich: The Chairperson recognized the group and instructed them they would have three minutes. Melinda Dale of the Willow Library Association, speaking on behalf of herself, was concerned about the borough LCAC not having a representative from within the district boundaries. Carol Ohls a former Library Board member, expressed disappointment in the Member from Willow (Mark Sphon) being appointed by the Mayor and approved by the assembly because she did not agree with his public comments about the Libraries and took them as a lack of support for Libraries. She stated that she understood the members of the Library board were not responsible for the appointment never the less she wanted to express her concern...the Chairperson went on to have a discussion with Carol about how board members are appointed and went back and forth about how she should express her concerns to the borough Mayors office. As Carol went on to describe how Mark Sphon did not in

her mind support the Libraries, Karen Lewis sitting in the audience chimed in that "He does support the Libraries" "He is a good man and he does support the Libraries".

At which point she was shouted down by Susan Pougher and told, "This is not what this time is for," "We are out of order, sit down." Jackie Goforth interrupted and reminded the Board that the public comment time was earlier in the meeting and that if they were going to have back-and-forth commentaries with the crowd, then it should be open to everyone. At which point Susan added, "We shouldn't be doing back and forth, so we are out of order." At this point, Hugh Leslie tried repeatedly to get the attention of the Chairperson instructing her to adjourn the meeting.

XIV. NEXT MEETING

- A. November 12th, 2024 – Wasilla Library

XV. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Meeting adjourned at 1:56 pm

X   
Georgia Knazovich, Chair

X 12 NOV 2024  
Date

ATTEST:

X   
Sarah Thomas - Staff Support

X 11/12/24  
Date

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH  
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

July 17, 2024

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The regular meeting of the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) was called to order by Vice Chairman Chmielewski at 5:30 p.m.

Advisory Board members in attendance establishing a quorum were:

|               |                   |               |
|---------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Frank Adams   | Mike Chmielewski  | Ken Hudson    |
| Bea Adler     | Casey Cook        | Michael Lopez |
| Donna Anthony | Rene' Dillow      | Shelia Olson  |
| Jason Bauer   | Michael Gavarrete | Regg Simon    |
| Simon Brown   | Kevin Gunnip      |               |

Also in attendance were: Brenda McCain and Connie Erickson, Willow CERT; Talon Boeve, MSB EOC; Erin Leaders, AK-DEC; Aviva Braun, National Weather Service; Mikal Hawk, US Army; and Mariko Kays, Public Health.

A quorum was present, and due notice had been published.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: There were no objections to the approval of the April 17, 2024 minutes as presented.

#### OLD BUSINESS

##### Workgroup Review

No report. Moved forward to the next meeting.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### Membership Seat Revision (Houston Police)

Ms. Laughlin stated: Borough Mayor DeVries has recommended this committee review options for revising the Houston representative seat considering the City of Houston no longer has a police department. The City of Houston's Mayor Cole was involved in the e-mail exchange discussing this and no objections were heard from him regarding the revision. Changing the position to another Environmental/Business/Technical position would open it up to a wider range of applicants than if we were to change it to that of a specific occupation/agency. If the board agrees to revise the position, she would create the legislation to move it forward to the assembly for approval.

MOTION: Mr. Bauer moved, and Mr. Brown seconded, to amend the Houston Law Enforcement representative seat to that of an additional Environmental/Business/Technical position. All were in favor, none were opposed.

#### EOP/Hazard Assessment Review

Mr. Bauer stated: They are beginning the process to review the borough's Emergency Operations Plans. He has forwarded a couple of them to the committee's workgroup members for review. There are 35 annexes under the borough's EOP so he would like to meet with the workgroup to come up with a plan on how to work through them. The goal is to have them reviewed quarterly and to also send them in to the State Special Emergency Response Committee (SERC) for their review.

#### AGENCY REPORTS / GUEST COMMENTS

##### Emergency Management – Casey Cook

There is a lot going on in the borough right now and they are staying engaged and involved in everything. Keeping things moving forward.

##### Chickaloon Tribal Police – Donna Anthony

1. She has her lieutenant working on uploading their SPA's to the borough's emergency planning.
2. She is sending one of their officers out for emergency technical training to become an instructor. He will be able to train their officers to become ETT's.
3. They have been dealing with the Mat-River's erosion and washout areas of the Glenn Highway.
4. They were in the Chitna area during the road collapse due to all the water. They were working with Chitna during the fishing season.
5. The Glenn Highway, once you leave Sutton up until about Mile 90, is in terrible shape due to erosion and rocks falling onto the roadway. They are looking at things a little closer in terms of response.
6. They are looking to add Starlink to their patrol cars since they are sometimes in remote areas with no service.

##### Matanuska Electric Association – Frank Adams

They had a physical attack on their fiber line which fed their response for their plant out in Eklutna. They repaired it once, then had to go back and repair it again and put in some redundancies. It appeared to be an intentional physical attack and he wonders if anyone else has experienced any similar issues on their fiber lines.

Vice Chairman Chmielewski stated that every two weeks he does an internet weather report with cyber security expert Peter House. They put that information on the Big Cabbage Radio / Radio Free Palmer website.

### National Weather Service - Aviva Braun

Ms. Braun shared her screen and discussed in detail the new forecast zones that they are implementing on September 10<sup>th</sup>. They are more than doubling the zones, determining what types each zone needs, and will get into micro-climates. The names of the zones and the zone numbers will be changing. This information is available on their social media page and their website, and they have made notifications via e-mail. They have a story map on their website which has links to everything. They will be working with the native heritage centers to see if they can name these regions with the local Alaska native terms to honor those communities.

### Emergency Operations Center – Jason Bauer

1. He has been working with Erin Leaders on updating the State Emergency Response Commissions manual. He requested that Erin be added to the LEPC Plans Review Workgroup. Ms. Leaders said she was interested and would need to get the approval from work.
2. The fairgrounds in Palmer have several facilities they can use to house animals during an evacuation however, the facilities don't have any backup generators or any way to remain warm and have electricity if the power went out. He would like to get some support for them, but since they are privately owned, they don't qualify for grant funding. If anyone has any ideas on this, please let him know.

### Willow CERT – Brenda McCain

1. A lot of what their team does is to provide information to the communities at public events for safety and emergency preparedness.
2. On May 4<sup>th</sup> they partnered with the Red Cross in the Wildland Fire Preparedness Day at the Willow Fire Department.
3. On May 18<sup>th</sup> they did their 4<sup>th</sup> Su-Valley Emergency Fair which was hosted by Willow, Talkeetna, and Trapper Creek CERT. There were over 30 exhibitors inside and outside the community center. They truly appreciate the support of the Mat-Su Borough EOC.
4. On June 29<sup>th</sup> Talon taught the CERT team the Crowd Management course. They were able to use the skills they learned during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade.
5. July 12<sup>th</sup> was Community Safety Day at Willow Farmers Market. They partnered with Willow/Caswell fire departments, Division of Forestry, Mat-Su Borough EOC, and the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (who brought the earthquake simulator). They had a great experience getting the word out there.
6. Next will be their 5<sup>th</sup> year at Houston Founders Day.

### Enstar – Michael Gavarette

He has taken a compliance position at Enstar and is cross training his replacement, Wendy Kolberg. She couldn't be here tonight but will be taking over the Enstar seat on the LEPC. He has enjoyed his time on this committee.

### Wasilla Police Department – Michael Lopez

1. He has identified a need to include and solicit future inputs from Mat-Com Public Safety Dispatch regarding the recent 911 outage. That outage gave them a good opportunity to exercise their secondary and tertiary emergency communications plans, and some secondary outreach to be able to provide immediate access to 911 emergency medical and law enforcement services throughout the Valley. He thinks the issue was technological and not something criminal or nefarious intent. It was eye opening for them within the City of Wasilla Police Department.
2. They are moving forward with a 5,000 gallon fuel system which will allow them to operate patrol vehicles in the event of a disaster.

#### Matanuska Telephone Association – Regg Simon

1. Survey and land clearing crews are running into upset (and sometimes hostile) homeowners disputing utility easements/property lines. Troopers were called one time due to a homeowner releasing an aggressive canine on a surveyor. He encourages everyone to call MTA's Right-of-Way Department if they have any questions.
2. There have been a few outages in the past month, mostly due to cut or damaged cables from equipment operators. Outages are typically resolved within an hour or two.
3. Please remember to call 8-1-1 before digging or operating equipment at your home.

#### Chickaloon Village – Shelia Olson

1. When she gets back to the office next week, they will look to schedule the next Emergency Management Planning Committee meeting and getting back on track.
2. For Mara Club, they did their field day training at the Menard Center in the parking lot by the pavilion. They were set up to show anyone who stopped by how to do parks on the air and transmissions. They had their antenna trailer and communications trailers set up. They had about 50 people show up, and they did their annual picnic.

#### Mat-Su Borough EOC – Talon Boeve

1. They have a 334 Disaster Preparedness and Survival course coming up on August 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> being held at the Mat-Su EOC. It is a two-day course open to the public and there are no prerequisites for it. It is 6 hours each day and there is no fee associated with it. If anyone is interested, she can send the registration link to them.
2. Planning efforts for the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Mat-Su Preparedness Expo are in full swing. Invites for the exhibitors and vendors go out this week. If you don't receive an invitation and want to be a part of the expo, please reach out to her. There is also a Facebook event people can share, and they will have flyers to post and share digitally. The event takes place at the Menard Center on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The LEPC has always been a big part of the event so she hopes that will continue.
3. The week of October 21<sup>st</sup>, the borough is hosting a 449 ICS Instructor course. This is the course for folks interested in teaching ICS 300 or 400 or the ICS for Elected Officials. There are quite a few prerequisites for it, but if you are interested, please reach out to our office. They still need a few folks to fill the class.

#### Community Representative – Bea Adler



As Talon mentioned, we are planning for the Expo in September. We hope to have something new and different each time and they have some great ideas for this year. It's a family friendly event and will be both indoors and outdoors. They estimated about 2,000 people attended last year and had about 73 exhibitors. She hopes Aviva Braun will have their new maps ready as it would be a opportunity to get those publicized.

#### Mat-Su Public Health - Rene Dillow

1. It's a good time to make sure you are up to date on your TDAP vaccination. They are seeing a lot of cases of whooping cough in all ages in the Valley. Pertussis is also known as whooping cough and the hundred-day cough. Usually, only about 30% of vaccinated people will catch it, but even if they do, it's a lot less of a problem if you are vaccinated.
2. They are seeing some COVID cases, and it's usually related to travel. The new variants are not making people as sick as they did in the past as most people have immunity. There isn't an updated vaccine for new variants.

#### State Defense Force – Simon Brown II

1. The State Defense Force provided traffic management for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade in Wasilla.
2. They are now watching the fire season around the state and will stand by in case anything gets out of control.
3. With all the rain they are having they are standing by for possible flooding.

#### MARA – Ken Hudson

1. He was with the Red Cross at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade.
2. He is interested in the Star Link program. Vice Chairman Chmielewski stated that if anyone was interested in having a conversation with him about Starlink, they can reach him at [manager@bigcabbageradio.com](mailto:manager@bigcabbageradio.com).

#### 103<sup>rd</sup> Civil Support Team - Mikal Hawk

He provided a brochure on the mission, capabilities, and resources of the 103<sup>rd</sup> Civil Support Team. He explained the mission to support civil authorities at a domestic, chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear and high explosive incident site by identifying those agents and substances, assessing current and projected consequences, advising on response measures, and assisting with appropriate requests for state support. An example would be assisting law enforcement with an investigation where they found a laboratory or a large number of bulk items that they can't identify. They have a modeling program that can help with assessing the terroristic possibility or public safety consequences. They have 22 technicians that are hazmat qualified and an extensive mobile laboratory. There is no cost to the community or agencies for their assistance, and they are quick with their capabilities. They can self-support on location for 72 hours and can provide internet and network connections as well as assist with radio interoperability between systems.

Radio Free Palmer – Mike Chmielewski

They serve some remote areas and that is why he has become involved in researching Starlink. Most of their focus has been on redundancy and the two aspects are getting good information and being able to share it. They are a community radio station, their purpose is to share good information, and they want to be able to extend that service out into the remote areas beyond Sutton. They do a lot of work around various aspects of emergencies, particularly with cyber-attacks. If anyone is interested in learning more about Starlink, reach out to him.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Membership Updates

Ms. Laughlin stated:

1. Kathy Cramer had to resign from her seat as the Fire Service representative. Ms. Laughlin will attempt to find a replacement for that seat.
2. She reached out to Alaska State Trooper Captain, Andy Gorn in Palmer regarding the long vacant AST seat. Captain Gorn expressed interest in the seat and advised he would submit an application.

Vice Chair Election

Ms. Laughlin stated: The Vice Chair position will be up for election at our October meeting.

Mike Chmielewski

1. It has been a while since we discussed the Alaska State Fair, and it will be over by the next time we meet. Just a reminder that the radio station broadcasts live every day from the fair at Raven Hall from noon to 5:00 p.m. If you have booth at the fair let him know and they can promo the fact that you are present at the fair. They will promo the Expo at the fair.

NEXT MEETING DATE

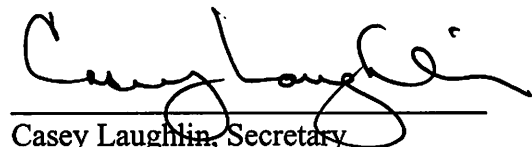
Vice Chairman Chmielewski announced that the next meeting date would be October 16, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT



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Mike Chmielewski, Vice Chairman

ATTEST:



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Casey Laughlin, Secretary

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH  
MSB Fish and Wildlife Commission  
REGULAR MEETING: August 29, 2024  
DSJ Building, Assembly Chambers/TEAMS  
Minutes

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CLERKS OFFICE

- I. CALL TO ORDER  
Chair Andy Couch called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.
  
- II. ROLL CALL – DETERMINATION OF QUORUM  
Present:  
Andy Couch  
Peter Probasco  
Gabriel Kitter  
Howard Delo  
Larry Engel  
Kendra Zamzow  
Jim Sykes  
  
Absent:  
Bill Gamble  
Tim Hale
  
- III. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT  
AC read the land acknowledgement:  
*"We acknowledge that we are meeting on traditional lands of the Dena'ina and Ahtna Dene people, and we are grateful for their continued stewardship of the land, fish, and wildlife throughout time immemorial."*
  
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
  
- V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA  
**HD moved to approve the agenda; seconded by LE.  
No objection, motion passed unanimously.**
  
- VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - A. July 2, 2024 Regular Meeting  
**HD moved to approve the July 2<sup>nd</sup> minutes; seconded by LE.  
AC amendment: p. 5 red – middle page 'state management'\*  
AC amendment: spell out Waterbody Setback Advisory Board  
No objection as amended, motion passed unanimously.**

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VII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Trevor Rollman – Northern District Setnetters Association  
Pete Imhof – member of the public  
Stefan Hinman – MSB Public Affairs  
Stephen Braund – Northern District Setnetters Association

VIII. STAFF/AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

- A. Staff Report – Maija DiSalvo
- B. Chair’s Report – Andy Couch

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. MSB CAPSIS Request

**PP moved to approve the draft CAPSIS request for FWC; seconded by LE**

**KZ moved to include amended language: “since the last plan there have been significant declines in salmon populations in the MSB”; seconded by HD.**

**No objection, amendment passed unanimously.**

**JS moved to amendment: last paragraph - “it is necessary with declining salmon stocks in our region”; seconded by KZ.**

**No objection, amendment passed unanimously.**

**Main Motion: No objection, amendment passed unanimously.**

- B. Board of Fisheries Submissions

**LE moved to form a work group (LE, PP, AC) to develop comments regarding ACR 3; seconded by PP.**

**No objection, motion passed unanimously.**

- C. Endangered Species Act – Chinook 90-Day Finding

**PP moved to adopt version 2 as presented; seconded by LE.**

**PP amendment 1: strike last paragraph and rewrite the last sentence in third paragraph to “MSB FWC requests that the federal process be delayed until the state, through the BOF process, can be completed.”; seconded by LE.**

**Amendment passed with KZ and GK opposed.**

**HD amendment 2: use p. 19 of It Takes Fish to Make Fish booklet to list stocks of management concern; seconded by PP.**

**No objection, amendment passed unanimously.**

**JS amendment 3: precede paragraph 1 “due to the historic decline in chinook salmon populations in Mat-Su and the critical need to restore those populations,”; seconded by KZ.**

**No objection, amendment passed unanimously.**  
**Main Motion: No objection, motion passed unanimously.**

D. Waterbody Setback Advisory Board Update – Kendra Zamzow

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Revisions to Water Management Regulations  
KZ and MD to work on developing comments.

XI. MEMBER COMMENTS

JS – Three FWC members up for reappointment (HD, LE, AC) this year; thank you all for the work

KZ – info about application for exploration of gas in Susitna; participated in stream restoration class – field trip to Wasilla creek, identified the possibility of things happening on residential property that could be impacting culvert projects that have been invested in;

LE – first year of heavy federal fishery management – FWC could invite a member of feds involved in EEZ attend ADF&G meeting to get more familiar with their activities and to get an idea of where to go in the future.

**JS moved to invite federal fishery managers to participate in annual ADF&G fishing season summary meeting; seconded by PP.**

**No objection, motion passed unanimously.**

Bill Stoltz offered to line up someone to attend a meeting, through Senator Sullivan’s office.

XII. NEXT MEETING DATE: Thursday, September 26, 2024 – 4:00 pm – Assembly Chambers

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

**PP moved to adjourn; seconded by KZ.**  
**No objection, motion passed unanimously.**  
*Meeting adjourned at 6:53 PM.*

  
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Andy Couch, FWC Chair

11-13-24  
Date

  
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Maija DiSalvo, Planning Division Staff

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MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH  
MSB Fish and Wildlife Commission  
Regular Meeting: September 26, 2024  
DSJ Building, Assembly Chambers/TEAMS  
Minutes

- I. CALL TO ORDER  
Chair Andy Couch called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.
  
- II. ROLL CALL – DETERMINATION OF QUORUM  
Present:  
Andy Couch  
Peter Probasco  
Gabe Kitter  
Howard Delo  
Larry Engel  
Kendra Zamzow  
Jim Sykes  
Bill Gamble (arrived at 4:49 pm)  
  
Absent:  
Tim Hale
  
- III. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT  
AC read the land acknowledgement:  
*"We acknowledge that we are meeting on traditional lands of the Dena'ina and Ahtna Dene people, and we are grateful for their continued stewardship of the land, fish, and wildlife throughout time immemorial."*
  
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
  
- V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA  
**HD moved to approve the agenda; seconded by LE.**  
**HD amendment: remove the Aug 29<sup>th</sup> Minutes & West Su presentation from the agenda; seconded by LE.**  
**No objections, amendment passed unanimously.**  
**Main motion: No objection, motion passed unanimously as amended.**
  
- VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
**LE moved to approve the August 22<sup>nd</sup> Special Meeting minutes; seconded by GK.**  
**No objection, motion passed unanimously.**

- VII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (*three minutes per person*)  
Stephen Braund – Northern District Setnetters Association  
June Okada – Susitna River Coalition, Energy Coordinator  
Chennery Fife – Trout Unlimited  
Neil Dewitt – member of the public  
Dewey Bitler – discussed desire to adjust river otter trapping locations as a method to control invasive pike in salmon streams  
Representative McCabe – appreciate invite to designate Stock of Concern; here to support the FWC efforts  
Pete Imhoff – member of the public  
Cory Byrd – local guide  
Benjamin Americus – fish biologist with Chickaloon Native Village

VIII. STAFF/AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

- A. Staff Report – Maija DiSalvo  
*AC will attend Assembly Meeting to provide support for Assembly Reso regarding stock of concern designations*
- B. Chair’s Report – Andy Couch
- C. Waterbody Setback Advisory Board Update – Kendra Zamzow
- D. Unit 13 Nelchina Caribou Survey Info – Pete Probasco

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Board of Fisheries Planning  
**PP moved to approve letter in support of ACR 3; seconded by HD.**  
*Bill Gamble arrived at 4:49 pm*  
**No objection, motion passed unanimously.**

Prince William Sound/Upper Copper Proposals – Comment Deadline November 26, 2024 – Keep on agenda; if see anything to address, bring it up at the next meeting

X. NEW BUSINESS

- A. ADF&G/NOAA Fishing Season Summary Meeting  
*Staff will coordinate early December meeting with ADF&G.*

- A. Board of Game

*Keep as ongoing agenda item, no action at this time.*

B. Susitna Gas Exploration Licenses

**Work Group (KZ, GK, JS) will write a letter using the previously written letter, additionally expressing FWC understanding the change of the need and concerns regarding gas exploration, and importance of plugging wells and DEC inspections; Work group will submit final comments on behalf of the FWC in advance of the October 7 deadline; FWC will wait until best interest findings come out to comment in more detail; seconded by LE.**

**No objection, motion passed unanimously.**

C. Mat-Su Salmon Symposium

*GK will present on behalf of the FWC.*

II. MEMBER COMMENTS

JS – NPFMC meeting September 30-October 8; UCI not on agenda – board members were interested in what we had to say about kings and coho

**JS directed to send thank you letter regarding appreciation of expertise and involvement.**

LE – no comment

PP – Nelchina caribou objectives (way below); cold water refugia should be on a future agenda – request presentation from Sue Mauger

KZ – thank you for river otter idea regarding management of pike; continue to advocate for additional research – better picture of what is driving changes in kings and cohos; when will we get federal vs state fishery numbers? AC – sometimes a summary from the state, around this time of year

GK – no comment

AC – appreciate involvement; thank you to Rep. McCabe; thank you for river otter discussion

HD – thank you to Rep. McCabe; good discussions

III. NEXT MEETING DATE: October 24, 2024 – 4:00 pm Conference Room 203 (as amended)

**PP moved to change October meeting date to October 24, 2024 at 4:00 pm; seconded by GK.**

**No objection, motion passed unanimously.**

IV. ADJOURNMENT

**JS moved to adjourn; seconded by KZ.**

**No objection, motion passed unanimously.**



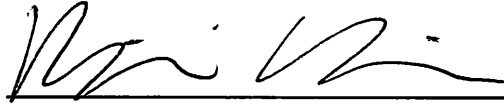
Meeting adjourned at 6:02 PM.



Andy Couch, FWC Chair

11-13-24

Date



Maija DiSalvo, Planning Division Staff

11/15/24

Date

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH  
MSB Fish and Wildlife Commission  
Regular Meeting: October 24, 2024  
DSJ Building, Conf Room 203/TEAMS  
Minutes

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- I. CALL TO ORDER  
Chair Andy Couch called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM.
  
- II. ROLL CALL – DETERMINATION OF QUORUM  
Present:  
Andy Couch  
Peter Probasco  
Gabe Kitter  
Howard Delo  
Larry Engel  
Bill Gamble (left at 5:38)  
Jim Sykes  
  
Absent:  
Tim Hale  
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- III. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT  
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- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
  
- V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA  
**HD moved to approve the agenda; seconded by LE.  
No objection, motion passed unanimously.**
  
- VI. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION  
George McKee – member of the public, previous Assembly member: presented discussion regarding a commercial fishery for Northern Pike.  
Dewey Bittler – member of the public: submitted ACR regarding changing trapping regulations on river otters  
Parker Bradley – ADF&G  
Neil DeWitt – member of the public

Chennery Fife – Trout Unlimited  
Lindsey Shelley – member of the public  
Stephen Braund – Northern District Setnetters Association

VII. STAFF/AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

- A. Staff Report – Maija DiSalvo
- B. West Susitna Access Road – ADOT – Canceled  
BG will make an attempt to reach out and ensure future presentation.
- C. Chair’s Report – Andy Couch  
**HD moved to delegate authority to work group (AC, PP, LE) to develop response to ADF&G comments at Board of Fisheries Work Session; seconded by BG.  
No objection, motion passed unanimously.**

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. ADF&G Fishing Season Summary Meeting  
AC – Invite Mt Yenlo, Susitna Valley, Mat Valley, and Anchorage AC’s; Kenai River Sportfish Association; MSB Assembly; Mat-Su Legislators; Commissioner; NDSNA  
  
**PP moved to approve and send all questions presented to ADF&G staff; seconded by HD.  
AC amendment – Question 6 – revise to 2022, 2023, and 2024 data, if available.  
No objection, motion passed as amended.**
- B. Revision to Water Management Regulations  
**PP moved to approve letter as written; seconded by HD.  
PP Amendment 1: “if cert of res can be held outside of DNR and ADFG, serious consider should be given...”  
Amendment 2: P 8 typo – first line, “by” DNR.  
No objection as amended, motion passed unanimously.**
- C. Board of Game Proposals  
FWC established December 20<sup>th</sup> as internal deadline for final comment. HD and GK will form a work group to address BOG proposals in units 13, 14 and 16 for discussion at the next FWC meeting.
- D. Board of Fisheries Planning
  - i. PWS/UC Proposals – Members bring comments to FWC if want to bring forward at next meeting.
  - ii. ACR Work Session in Anchorage – AC and PP will be in attendance.

- iii. Board Appointments/Reappointments  
Tom Carpenter and Stan Zurray timing out in June 2025.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. MSB State Legislative Fishery Priorities

- i. Legislative Meeting – Dec 19 – work with Bill Stoltz on the potential for a fishery specific meeting with legislators.

BG left at 5:38.

- ii. CAPSIS Work Group – Parker Bradley, ADF&G participated in discussion with FWC regarding potential pike suppression/eradication projects.

**GK moved to extend the meeting 15 minutes; seconded by HD.  
No objection, motion passed unanimously.**

B. MSB Fish & Wildlife Commission Appointments/Reappointments

HD and LE will both be stepping down at the end of 2024; – thank you from FWC for significant contributions over the years.

C. NOAA Meeting Report – Jim Sykes

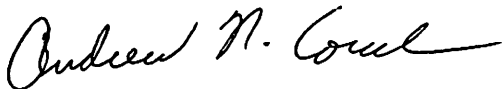
X. MEMBER COMMENTS

JS – thanks to LE and HD for years of services, have learned so much; can't thank them enough, glad to have had opp to work together

XI. NEXT MEETING DATE: Thursday, November 14, 2024 – 4:00 pm Assembly Chambers

XII. ADJOURNMENT

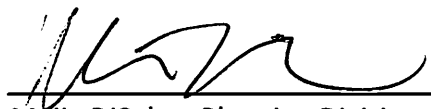
**HD moved to adjourn, seconded by LE.  
No objection, motion passed unanimously.  
Meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.**



Andy Couch, FWC Chair

11-13-24

Date



Maija DiSalvo, Planning Division Staff

11/15/24

Date

CLERKS OFFICE

The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission's regular meeting was held on October 21, 2024, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. Chair CJ Koan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**I. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

Planning Commission members present and establishing a quorum:

- Mr. Doug Glenn, Assembly District #1
- Mr. Richard Allen, Assembly District #2
- Ms. C. J. Koan, Assembly District #3
- Mr. Andrew Shane, Assembly District #4
- Ms. Linn McCabe, Assembly District #5
- Mr. Wilfred Fernandez, Assembly District #6

Planning Commission members absent and excused were:

- Mr. Curt Scoggin, Assembly District #7

Staff in attendance:

- Mr. Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director
- Ms. Lacie Olivieri, Planning Department Admin. Specialist/ Planning Commission Clerk
- Mr. Rick Benedict, Current Planner

\*Indicates that the individual attended telephonically.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chair Koan inquired if there were any changes to the agenda.

GENERAL CONSENT: The Agenda was approved without objection

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner Glenn.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Minutes Regular Meeting Minutes: October 7, 2024

B. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING: QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS

**Resolution 24-31** A Conditional Use Permit In Accordance With MSB 17.30 — Conditional Use Permit For Earth Material Extraction Activities, For The Extraction Of Approximately 7,500,000 Cubic Yards Of Earth Material From An Extraction Site Of 153 Acres Within Three Parcels Totaling 235 Acres On 7955 E. Bogard Road, 3182 N. Trunk Road, 7801 E. Glade Court, Tax ID#S 18N01E27A002, 18N01E27D001, 18N01E27D002. (Applicant: Dan Steiner, P.E. For Central Gravel Products; Staff: Peggy Horton, Current Planner)

**C. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING: LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

**GENERAL CONSENT:** The consent agenda was approved without objection.

**V. COMMITTEE REPORTS -** *(There were no committee reports.)*

**VI. AGENCY/STAFF REPORTS -** *(There were no Agency/Staff Reports.)*

**VII. LAND USE CLASSIFICATIONS -** *(There were no land use classifications.)*

**VIII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Three minutes per person.)**

Rod Hanson, North Lakes Community Council, was going to speak about the Central gravel pit and was advised not to until the next meeting.

John Klapperich spoke regarding the Central Gravel products expansion plan. He advocates for reasonable, accessible, and sufficient products and highly encourages the commission to review all information provided.

**IX. PUBLIC HEARING: QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS**

**Resolution 24-30** A Conditional Use Permit In Accordance With MSB 17.67 — Tall Structures Including Telecommunications Facilities, Wind Energy Conversion Systems, And Other Tall Structures, For Six Meteorological Towers Up To 197 Feet Tall, Located On Little Mount Susitna, Within Township 15 North, Range 9 West, Section 5, Township 16 North, Range 9 West, Sections 16, 29, 32 And 33, And Township 16 North, Range 10 West, Section 13, Seward Meridian. (Applicant: Chad Allen For Little Mount Susitna Wind, LLC; Staff: Rick Benedict, Current Planner)

Chair Koan read the resolution title into the record.

Chair Koan read the ex-parte memo asking questions of the Planning Commissioners.

Mr. Rick Benedict presented their staff report.

Matt Perkins and Faith with Little Mount Susitna Wind Presented to commissioners.

Commissioners had no questions for staff or the applicants.

Chair Koan opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke regarding Planning Commission Resolution 24-30:  
Father Randy Hillman, speaking for himself and not the church, he supports this project and asks that the Matsu borough emergency services can attach to their tower to expand their reach.

There being no one else to be heard, Chair Koan closed the public hearing, and the discussion moved to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Rick Benedict clarified for the commission that code doesn't give them permission to require that the applicant allow emergency services to connect to their tower.

The applicant thanked Father Randy for his comment and noted that they would take that into consideration.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Allen moved to approve Planning Commission Resolution 24-30. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Glenn.

Discussion ensued

**VOTE:** The main motion passed without objection.

**X. PUBLIC HEARING LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

**Resolution 24-29** A Resolution Of The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission Recommending Approval Of An Ordinance Amending MSB 17.73 To Clarify That Mobile Home Parks Are Not Permitted In The Matanuska-Susitna Borough. (Staff: Alex Strawn, Planning And Land Use Director)

Mr. Strawn provided a staff report.

Chair Koan read the resolution title into the record.

Chair Koan opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke regarding Planning Commission Resolution 24-29:  
Rod Hanson, North Lakes Community Council, Recommended postponing the resolution. Spoke about assembly referrals relating to this subject.

Mr. Strawn responded to the statement from the audience.

Discussion ensued

**MOTION:** Commissioner Shane moved to postpone Planning Commission Resolution 24-29 until the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McCabe.

**VOTE:** The main motion passed without objection.

**XI. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION**  
*(There was no correspondence and information.)*

**XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS -** *(There was no unfinished business.)*

**XIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**XIV. COMMISSION BUSINESS**

A. Upcoming Planning Commission Agenda Items (*Staff: Alex Strawn*)  
(*Commission Business was presented, and no comments were noted.*)

**XV. DIRECTOR AND COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Commissioner Shane: No comments

Commissioner Allen: No Comment

Commissioner Fernandez: Powerful Manifestation.

Commissioner Glenn: Happy you are back commissioner Fernandez

Commissioner McCabe: No comment

Commissioner Koan: Good meeting. Keep learning everyday

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

The regular meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.



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C J KOAN  
Planning Commission Chair

ATTEST:



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LACIE OLIVIERI,  
Planning Commission Clerk

Minutes approved: 11/18/24



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South Knik River Community Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes, Thursday, 19 Sep 2024

Location: SKRCC Building

17958 E. Knik River Road Palmer, AK 99645

1. SKRCC President, Craig Price, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Quorum reached with 7 board members and 16 others present of whom at least 5 were residents.
3. Agenda approved with the addition of Sen Hughes
4. 15 Aug 2024 meeting minutes approved.
5. Reports:
  - a. Legislative report: No report
  - b. Assembly report: No report
  - c. President Report: We were asked to provide financial support to build a handicap ramp for a couple of residents living off the Old Glenn Hwy. Community Assistance Program funds are not allowed to be used for individual projects. The borough sought another source for funding the project and a member of our community volunteered to help construct the ramp.
  - d. Secretary Report: No report
  - e. Treasure Report: Balances for accounts provided.
    - Utility bills paid
    - Recommend high yield account for savings. Treasurer will look into options and report at next meeting
    - Lori Hobbs is removed from the SKRCC Mat Valley Credit Union Account effective immediately
  - f. Emergency Storage/Equipment Committee: No report
  - g. Butte Fire Chief Report: No report
6. Guests: Elaine Andrews and Susanne DiPeietro provided education on Fair and Impartial Courts, then fielded questions. Information on judges up for retention on the ballot can be found at <https://www.ajc.state.ak.us/retention/current.html>

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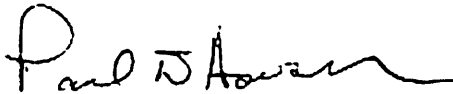
7. Business:

a. Julie Spackman, MSB Long Range Planner explained that the Planning Commission met on 16 Sep 2024 to review and approve a recommendation for community councils in developing Comprehensive Plans and Special Use Districts (SpUD). Three options were presented for inclusion. The Planning Commission excluded Options 1 and 2 and only recommended Option 3, where the borough mayor appoints a board. After much discussion, Bob Hicks motioned (2024-05) that the SKRCC write a letter to the Mayor and Assembly encouraging them to include all three options proposed in the draft Community Council Process for Developing a Community Comprehensive Plan or Special Land Use District in the MSB before the 1 October 2024 Assembly meeting where a vote on the same topic is scheduled. Motion 2024-05 seconded and approved with none opposed.

b. The SKRCC.org site is operational. A link was sent via email, posted to unofficial community Facebook page, and is on the borough website under our community council. It is also listed on the borough website in two places. As stated last month, all information will be posted to the site and mass emails will no longer be sent out by the secretary. Only 15 people subscribed to receive notifications from the website. To date, we have been unable to get that feature to work. Assistance requested from web host. Sign up using the "Contact Us" button at the bottom of the home page.

8. Announcement: Hunting season is still upon us.

9. Meeting Adjourned at 9:22pm.

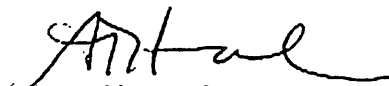


Paul D. Houser  
SKRCC Vice President

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Attest.



Anne Houseal  
SKRCC Secretary

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Date



# Susitna Community Council

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**Meeting Minutes**  
**October 5, 2023 7:00pm**  
Upper Susitna Senior & Community Center

Establish Quorum – Ned Sparks, Bryan Kirby, Clark Smith, Richard Sayers & Sheena Fort.

- I. Call Meeting to Order – 7:10pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of Meeting Agenda
  - a. Motion by: Bryan Kirby
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Sheena Fort
- IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes
  - a. Motion by: Bryan Kirby
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Clark Smith
  - c. Richard Sayers motioned to approve the correction of July's Minutes.
  - d. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Clark Smith
- V. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Checking Account – \$14,163.32
  - b. Savings Account – \$4,226.74
- VI. Persons to be Heard (suggested 3 minutes each)
  - a.
  - b.
- VII. Correspondence-
  - a. Rasta Farms LLC, Bluff Side Gardens LLC, Royal Mountain Extracts LLC all have submitted renewal notices.
  - b.
- VIII. Committee and Governmental Reports
  - a. Road Service Area (15 & 29) Bill Stearns of RSA29- Getting roads ready for winter and have tried a new product on lower Barge road called permazyne to help with pot holes.

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b. Borough, Assembly- Representative Kevin McCabe informed us that the Representative of the North Slope Josiah Patkotak has resigned. He also suggests everyone check out next years preparedness fair expo at the Menard Center, it had lots of vendors and great information.

c. Fire District – They have been monitoring the erosion of the river banks in Talkeetna. The Fire Department had 28 calls in August and 18 in September. The Borough has created an emergency dashboard application for Fire fighters and EMS that can get information out faster and more efficient. They also are looking to purchase land on Comstat to rebuild station 111 that is in the flood zone of Talkeetna. They plan to minimize noise and lights for the neighbors. Any neighbors in a 5 mile radius will also get better coverage and insurance rates.

d. Banka Lake Committee- Forrest Cook gave an update on Banka Lake Access Committee and informed the board of their desire to separate from the Community Council Board. They wanted to thank the board for all of their help and plan to stay in contact.

Bryan Kirby motions to dissolve ourselves from Banka Lake Access Committee ( Friends of Banka Lake) effective October 5th, 2023 and a letter be written them for acknowledgment of dissolution.

#### IX. Old Business-

- a. AK State Trooper update- N/A
- b.

#### X. New Business-

a. Elections: Richard Sayers, Clark Smith and Bryan Kirby are up for re election. The board still has two alternate positions and 2 open board seats.

Board Comment: Bryan Kirby wanted to thank Banka Lake for their efforts and communication and look forward to updates as times progresses.

#### XII. Adjournment- 7:09pm

**Resolution No. TWSB-03**  
A Resolution of the Talkeetna Sewer and Water Board of the Mat-Su Borough Adopting a Rate Adjustment Structure for Fiscal Year 2025

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**WHEREAS**, the Talkeetna Water and Sewer Board (the "Board") is committed to delivering high-quality water and sewer services to its community members in a fiscally responsible manner; and  
**WHEREAS**, the Board recognizes the importance of establishing a rate structure that covers essential budgetary requirements without creating undue financial burden on ratepayers; and  
**WHEREAS**, the Board seeks to implement a differentiated rate structure for residential and commercial accounts to better align with usage patterns and budgetary requirements; and  
**WHEREAS**, the Board is committed to fiscal conservatism, minimizing unnecessary expenses, and avoiding irrational spending, ensuring that the rate structure does not create a surplus; and  
**WHEREAS**, the Board recognizes the need to amend current regulations to implement the new rate and fee structure to ensure clarity, equity, and alignment with fiscal policy; and  
**WHEREAS**, the Board also desires to mitigate operational issues caused by food establishment waste by requiring all food service establishments to install and maintain grease traps to prevent clogging and contamination in the sewer system; and  
**WHEREAS**, the Board intends to limit annual rate increases to no more than 2.5% or, alternatively, adjust rates in accordance with inflation, whichever is lower, to maintain affordability for ratepayers;  
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Talkeetna Sewer and Water Board of the Mat-Su Borough:

**1. Residential and Commercial Base Rates:**

- **Residential:** A base rate of \$60 per month for water services and \$60 per month for sewer services shall be implemented for all residential water and sewer service users beginning Fiscal Year 2025.
- **Commercial:** A base rate of \$90 per month for water services and \$100 per month for sewer services shall be implemented for all commercial water and sewer service users beginning Fiscal Year 2025.
- **Interrupted Service Rate Change (for both Commercial and Residential):** To be set at \$35 per month.

**2. Water Usage Tiers:**

- **Residential Usage Tiers:**
  - The first 0-7,500 gallons per month are included in the base rate for all residential users.
  - Usage between 7,501 and 12,000 gallons per month shall be charged at \$0.005 per gallon.
  - Usage over 12,000 gallons per month shall be charged at \$0.02 per gallon.
- **Commercial Usage Tiers:**
  - The first 0-3,000 gallons per month are included in the base rate for all commercial users.
  - Usage between 3,001 and 7,500 gallons per month shall be charged at \$0.01 per gallon.
  - Usage between 7,501 and 12,000 gallons per month shall be charged at \$0.02 per gallon.
  - Usage over 12,000 gallons per month shall be charged at \$0.03 per gallon.

**3. Fiscal Responsibility:**

The Borough shall adhere to principles of fiscal conservatism, avoiding excessive expenses and irrational spending, and shall not set rates to create surpluses beyond essential operational needs and generating historical revenues.

**4. Regulation Amendments:**

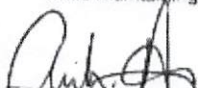
The Borough shall amend existing regulations as necessary to implement the new rate structure, including adjustments to the fee structure, ensuring compliance and clarity.

**5. Grease Trap Requirement:**

All food service establishments connected to the Talkeetna sewer system are required to install and maintain appropriate grease traps to reduce sewer line contamination.

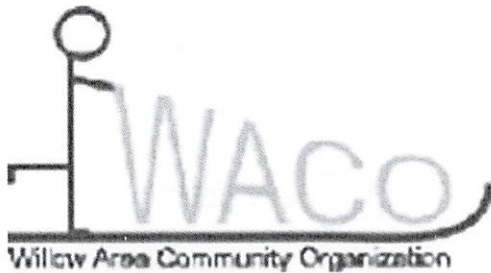
**6. Annual Rate Adjustments:**

Any potential future annual rate increases shall be capped at 2.5% annually or adjusted according to inflation or meet historic rate revenues, whichever is lower, to ensure affordability while maintaining financial sustainability.

  
Andrew Haag – TSWAB Chair

Resolution adopted by unanimous vote of the TSWAB board 11/06/2024

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## WILLOW AREA COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION MONTHLY MEETING

DATE 10/02/2024 7:00 p.m.

Call to order 7:00 p.m.

Board quorum was established. Community quorum was not established.

Board members present: Tryg Erickson, Greg Jones, Maura Shea, Sophia Boufidou, Rodney McCambridge, Talon Boeve, Barbara Ensley.

Board members absent: Linda Oxley, Matt Elkins

Pledge of allegiance led by Tryg Erickson.

8/7/24 Meeting Minutes and 9/04/24 Meeting Minutes were approved.

Agenda approved.

### BOARD REPORTS

- A. **Chair:** State Representative McCabe and Doyle Holmes are in a debate in Wasilla and not able to attend today.
- B. **Vice Chair:**
  - a. Continues to monitor proposal to sell land by Nancy Lake. The Assembly has had positive remarks, but unsure of the direction they'd go regarding getting us a non-binding Letter of Intent. There is no deadline for this.
  - b. Introduced Jim Huston who spoke about the Willow Museum: Lisa Murkowski's and Dan Sullivan's offices have liked what has been done with the Musuem and there might be an opportunity to get some money from Lisa's office. Possible uses if we do get some state funding to expand items of interest for Willow:
    - We need a fenced area for large items (old school bus, Shem Pete's old cabin, etc.)
    - Build a handicap accessible boardwalk
    - Use the bleachers we have and position them on the path to the lake, they can also be used by people to get a better view of the Iditarod teams.
- C. **Treasurer:**
  - a. Sabrina requested that the picnic tables need to be put away before snow starts.
  - b. We will have the first wedding with alcohol later this month; all is falling into place with insurance and borough permits damage deposit.
  - c. The Iditarod agreement has been sent for approval, only change is that they'd need to get alcohol approval if they want to.
  - d. Financial review:

First 3 months of the fiscal year overall picture is looking good (see Statement of Financial Position), we are expecting a utility bill to hit next month.  
The Statement of Activity also reflects the first 3 months of the fiscal year.

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Statement of Financial Position

As of September 30, 2024

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|                                     | JUL 2024            | AUG 2024            | SEP 2024            |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                       |                     |                     |                     |
| Current Assets                      |                     |                     |                     |
| Bank Accounts                       |                     |                     |                     |
| 10000 Cash                          |                     |                     |                     |
| 10010 General Account               | 86,058.88           | 87,725.13           | 90,783.54           |
| 10040 Gaming Account                | 5,436.54            | 5,820.59            | 4,844.62            |
| 10050 Youth Forum                   | 8,000.61            | 3,487.67            | 3,474.61            |
| 10060 Willow Trails Committee       | 86,170.55           | 86,274.40           | 75,993.35           |
| 10090 Recycle Committee             | 4,697.70            | 4,697.70            | 4,698.89            |
| 10100 CERT                          | 2,869.20            | 2,424.32            | 3,102.97            |
| Total 10000 Cash                    | 193,233.48          | 190,429.81          | 182,897.98          |
| Total Bank Accounts                 | \$193,233.48        | \$190,429.81        | \$182,897.98        |
| Total Current Assets                | \$193,233.48        | \$190,429.81        | \$182,897.98        |
| Fixed Assets                        |                     |                     |                     |
|                                     | \$1,446.04          | \$1,446.04          | \$1,446.04          |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                 | <b>\$194,679.52</b> | <b>\$191,875.85</b> | <b>\$184,344.02</b> |
| <b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>       |                     |                     |                     |
| Liabilities                         |                     |                     |                     |
|                                     | \$0.00              | \$1,100.00          | \$820.00            |
| Equity                              |                     |                     |                     |
| Opening balance equity              | 267,736.56          | 267,736.56          | 267,736.56          |
| Retained Earnings                   | -80,386.35          | -80,386.35          | -80,386.35          |
| Net Revenue                         | 7,329.31            | 3,425.64            | -3,826.19           |
| Total Equity                        | \$194,679.52        | \$190,775.85        | \$183,524.02        |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b> | <b>\$194,679.52</b> | <b>\$191,875.85</b> | <b>\$184,344.02</b> |

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Statement of Activity

July - September, 2024

|                              | CERT       | MUSEUM    | OPERATIONS  | RECYCLING | WILLOW TRAILS COMMITTEE | YOUTH FORUM | TOTAL       |
|------------------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Revenue                      |            |           |             |           |                         |             |             |
| 40000 Contributions          | 500.00     |           | 5,500.00    |           | 10,478.69               |             | \$16,478.69 |
| 41000 Contracts              |            |           | 2,000.00    |           |                         |             | \$2,000.00  |
| 42000 Sales Revenue          | 365.00     |           | 50.00       |           |                         |             | \$415.00    |
| 43000 Rental Revenue         |            |           | 8,613.10    |           |                         |             | \$8,613.10  |
| 44000 Gaming Revenue         |            |           | 3,714.20    |           |                         |             | \$3,714.20  |
| 45000 Special Event Revenue  |            |           | 690.00      |           |                         |             | \$690.00    |
| 49000 Other Revenue          | 318.89     |           | 242.53      | 1.19      | 283.19                  | 0.82        | \$846.62    |
| Total Revenue                | \$1,183.89 | \$0.00    | \$20,809.83 | \$1.19    | \$10,761.88             | \$0.82      | \$32,757.61 |
| GROSS PROFIT                 | \$1,183.89 | \$0.00    | \$20,809.83 | \$1.19    | \$10,761.88             | \$0.82      | \$32,757.61 |
| Expenditures                 |            |           |             |           |                         |             |             |
| 50000 Payroll Expenses       |            |           | 4,625.52    |           |                         |             | \$4,625.52  |
| 63000 Insurance              |            | 220.25    | 1,671.36    |           |                         |             | \$1,891.61  |
| 64000 Office Expenses        |            |           | 866.81      |           | 244.23                  |             | \$1,111.04  |
| 65000 Gaming Expense         |            |           | 2,344.16    |           |                         |             | \$2,344.16  |
| 67000 Repairs & Maintenance  |            |           | 4,505.00    |           | 5,530.00                | 6,010.00    | \$16,045.00 |
| 68000 Occupancy              |            | 335.08    | 3,058.75    |           |                         | 53.94       | \$3,447.77  |
| 69000 Other Expenses         | 825.91     |           |             |           |                         |             | \$825.91    |
| 70000 Special Event Expenses |            |           | 1,248.46    |           |                         |             | \$1,248.46  |
| 72000 Trail Grooming Expense |            |           |             |           | 5,044.33                |             | \$5,044.33  |
| Total Expenditures           | \$825.91   | \$555.33  | \$18,320.06 | \$0.00    | \$10,818.56             | \$6,063.94  | \$36,583.80 |
| NET OPERATING REVENUE        | \$357.98   | \$-555.33 | \$2,489.77  | \$1.19    | \$-56.68                | \$-6,063.12 | \$-3,826.19 |
| NET REVENUE                  | \$357.98   | \$-555.33 | \$2,489.77  | \$1.19    | \$-56.68                | \$-6,063.12 | \$-3,826.19 |

The Statement of Activity for Sept. shows we received a \$2,500 Board Discretionary Grant from the Mat-Su Health Foundation and a \$2,500 donation from the Rotary Club of Susitna Alaska. It is a sponsorship for the 2025 Carnival.

## Willow Area Community Organization

### Statement of Activity

September 2024

|  | TOTAL             |
|--|-------------------|
| <b>Revenue</b>                           |                   |
| 40000 Contributions                      |                   |
| 40040 Donations-Organizations            | 5,000.00          |
| <b>Total 40000 Contributions</b>         | <b>5,000.00</b>   |
| 43000 Rental Revenue                     |                   |
| 43020 Community Center Rental - Classes  | 320.00            |
| <b>Total 43000 Rental Revenue</b>        | <b>320.00</b>     |
| 44000 Gaming Revenue                     |                   |
| 44025 Pull Tab Game Sales                | 1,280.65          |
| <b>Total 44000 Gaming Revenue</b>        | <b>1,280.65</b>   |
| 45000 Special Event Revenue              |                   |
| 45120 Vendor Booth Revenue               | 690.00            |
| <b>Total 45000 Special Event Revenue</b> | <b>690.00</b>     |
| 49000 Other Revenue                      |                   |
| 49010 Interest                           | 158.85            |
| <b>Total 49000 Other Revenue</b>         | <b>158.85</b>     |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>                     | <b>\$7,449.50</b> |
| <b>GROSS PROFIT</b>                      | <b>\$7,449.50</b> |
| <b>Expenditures</b>                      |                   |
| 50000 Payroll Expenses                   | 1,351.11          |
| 63000 Insurance                          | 557.12            |
| 64000 Office Expenses                    | 280.32            |
| 65000 Gaming Expense                     | 954.96            |
| 68000 Occupancy                          | 1,643.55          |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>                | <b>\$4,787.06</b> |
| <b>NET OPERATING REVENUE</b>             | <b>\$2,662.44</b> |
| <b>NET REVENUE</b>                       | <b>\$2,662.44</b> |

On the Budget vs Actuals page, some line items show overspending (i.e. % of budget > 25%) or underspending (% of budget < 25%), This is because there are



purchases for the Carnival either made ahead of time, or not planned to occur until closer to Carnival time respectively.

**Willow Area Community Organization**

**Budget vs. Actuals: FY2025 Budget**

July 2024 - June 2025

|                                    | TOTAL              |                      |                |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------|
|                                    | ACTUAL             | BUDGET               | % OF BUDGET    |
| <b>Revenue</b>                     |                    |                      |                |
| 40000 Contributions                | 5,500.00           | 23,990.00            | 22.93 %        |
| 41000 Contracts                    | 2,000.00           | 15,000.00            | 13.33 %        |
| 42000 Sales Revenue                | 50.00              | 12,570.00            | 0.40 %         |
| 43000 Rental Revenue               | 8,613.10           | 17,420.00            | 49.44 %        |
| 44000 Gaming Revenue               | 3,714.20           | 34,990.00            | 10.62 %        |
| 45000 Special Event Revenue        | 690.00             | 6,500.00             | 10.62 %        |
| 49000 Other Revenue                | 242.53             | 1,100.00             | 22.05 %        |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>               | <b>\$20,809.83</b> | <b>\$111,570.00</b>  | <b>18.65 %</b> |
| <b>GROSS PROFIT</b>                | <b>\$20,809.83</b> | <b>\$111,570.00</b>  | <b>18.65 %</b> |
| <b>Expenditures</b>                |                    |                      |                |
| 50000 Payroll Expenses             | 4,625.52           | 21,570.00            | 21.44 %        |
| 60000 Advertising & Marketing      |                    | 2,650.00             |                |
| 63000 Insurance                    | 1,891.61           | 8,390.00             | 22.55 %        |
| 64000 Office Expenses              | 866.81             | 4,820.00             | 17.98 %        |
| 65000 Gaming Expense               | 2,344.16           | 22,200.00            | 10.56 %        |
| 66000 Contract & Professional Fees |                    | 980.00               |                |
| 67000 Repairs & Maintenance        | 4,505.00           | 8,840.00             | 50.96 %        |
| 68000 Occupancy                    | 3,393.83           | 51,910.00            | 6.54 %         |
| 69000 Other Expenses               |                    | 0.00                 |                |
| 70000 Special Event Expenses       | 1,248.46           | 13,200.00            | 9.46 %         |
| 71000 Awards & Grants to Others    |                    | 1,000.00             |                |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>          | <b>\$18,875.39</b> | <b>\$135,560.00</b>  | <b>13.92 %</b> |
| <b>NET OPERATING REVENUE</b>       | <b>\$1,934.44</b>  | <b>\$ -23,990.00</b> | <b>-8.06 %</b> |
| <b>NET REVENUE</b>                 | <b>\$1,934.44</b>  | <b>\$ -23,990.00</b> | <b>-8.06 %</b> |

**D. At-Large-Representative-4:** Talon is creating a new ad for WACO building rentals for the Willow Lions calendar.

**NEW BUSINESS**

E. None this month

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**F. Review of Alcohol sales and serving policy:** we are trying to have this in place for Iditarod. Events need to be contained indoors.

**G. Review of Facility use policy:** Several comments were made during the meeting; Maura will consolidate and revise the policy accordingly. It was suggested to create an electronic copy so it can be shared and reviewed more easily.

**H. Houston Airport south of Willow:** Brian Grenier's update was provided by Brenda McCain: A packet re. Planning and Zoning and Airport commissioners has been made available to the Houston Assembly but is not available to the Public. Chair also mentioned Houston had elections and, as of the time of the mtg, Mayor Cole was trailing, signifying possible lack of public support for his plans, including the airport.

- I. **Oil and Gas Exploration in Susitna Valley:** The letter has been sent to the Dept. Of Natural Resources, see Appendix 1.

**WACO COMMUNITY GROUP/CLUB REPORTS**

- J. The Willow Historical Foundation presented a check for \$1,000 to WACO, from the proceeds of the Museum. All Visitors have given positive feedback.
- K. Fire service area: Remember to vote re. Station consolidation. Station 12.1 is a priority for the state but lacking about \$2M EMS funding progressing. All stations in the area have 5-mile coverage/responsibility with overlaps between stations, so all in the Willow area is covered. Station 12.3 will be the last one Willow will need. Reserve fund will continue to be used to buy new truck(s) every 5 years.
- L. Library: All yearly fall and winter activities are underway. For October, the Library introduced a homeschoolers event and also hosts Halloween. Storytime is very popular this year.
- M. Pickleball Sept. attendance was a little down in numbers, \$230 was given to WACO, \$2027.5 has been donated since March.
- N. Mushers Association: Frost Fest event will be taking place this weekend in Palmer with Willow well represented,
- O. PTA: no news this month.
- P. Garden club: Oct 24 will host a Harvest Dinner, RSVP by the 20<sup>th</sup> needed to attend. Look at the blog for details.
- Q. Farmer's market: an event is planned for Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Community Center by 350 All-stars, it will include acrobatics and other attractions. Also, on Nov. 16 there will be a Holliday Market.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/PERSONS TO BE HEARD**

Adjourn 8:00 pm

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WACO Chair

*[Signature]*  
11/6/24  
Date

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WACO Secretary

*[Signature]*  
11/6/24  
Date

# Appendix 1



September 12, 2024

## Comment on Exploration in the Susitna Valley Solicitation Area

On behalf of the Willow Area Community Organization (WACO) I'm writing to comment on the DNR Division of Oil & Gas Notice of Intent to Evaluate Gas Exploration in a large area of the Susitna river drainage, issued August 7, 2024. Other than the elimination of oil exploration we conclude this is the same as the DNR solicitation from 2017. We responded on July 10, 2017, and February 5, 2022, to that proposal. Those letters are attached. Our concerns expressed then in our comments and objections to that proposal remain unaddressed. The WACO Board of Directors at their meeting on September 4 unanimously voted to object to this plan to open the areas in and near Willow to gas exploration.

  
Trygve Erickson, Chair  
Willow Area Community Organization  
PO Box 1027  
Willow AK 99688



**February 5, 2022**

**State of Alaska Department of Natural Resources  
Division of Oil and Gas  
Best Interest Findings  
550 West 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 1100  
Anchorage, AK 99501**

**Re: Comment on Susitna Valley Gas Exploration License; Preliminary Written Finding.**

**Whomever It May Concern,**

**The Willow Area Community Organization (WACO), a community council recognized by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough (MSB), would like to respond to the State's request for comment regarding proposed Coal Bed Methane (CBM) exploration in the Susitna Valley. Because the area being considered for exploration includes a significant portion of our residential and recreational community, we have special interest in such development and the impacts it may have.**

**In response to the 2017 solicitation on exploration for oil and gas in the Susitna Valley Solicitation Area, WACO requested the lands within our community council area be excluded from exploration. After WACO's further consideration of the December 10, 2022 Preliminary Written Findings, in two public meetings, our request remains the same. We believe that the intensive industrial activities associated CBM development would have severe adverse effect on private property, businesses, local roads, recreation opportunities, and wildlife habitat within our community. Of grave concern is the effect of CBM activities on salmon habitat.**

**Our 2017 letter explained that land use within WACO boundaries is addressed by the Willow Comprehensive Plan and many land use plans which overlap with the exploration area. The 2017 letter also includes legislatively designated areas that are managed for public recreation and habitat protection. Please include this letter as part of our current comments.**

**According to the Preliminary Written Findings on pages 8-11, development of CBM would, among other things:**

- Require 10 to 20 CMB wells at densities of 40, 80 or 160 acres**
- Result in large development of roads, well pads, pipelines, fuel tanks.**
- Produce and dispose of huge quantities of water containing trace amounts of toxic metals.**

**This intense industrial development and possible adverse consequences even with mitigation measures simply has no place within our community. Indeed, 92% of the comments to the 2017 solicitation were opposed to the exploration due to impacts to property values, tourism, recreation and habitat. Bringing any such development within an Alaskan community without their general consent and contrary to community plans and the Southeast Susitna Area Plan is not in the best interest of the State.**

**The licensee, Alaska Natural Gas Corporation, does not appear to have the resources or experience necessary to complete the work commitment established, \$3,000,000 and \$3,300,000 for each license, in Section 1-4 of the Preliminary Written Findings. How is it in the best interest of the State of Alaska to grant licenses to an entity with no demonstrated ability to meet the work requirements especially considering the importance and value of the surface land uses and considering the risk to salmon.**

**The License Areas include populated areas within the WACO boundaries. Why not limit the licenses to State owned property while the feasibility of extracting methane is determined? Individual property owners and local businesses will likely be first impacted by exploration activities due to their proximity to the road system. These individual property owners have not been notified directly about the issuance of the licenses. Why not?**

**Due to public concerns over CBM development in 2004, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough passed Ordinance MSB 04-175(AM) which established MSB 17.62 in Borough code, which requires CBM development to follow the Conditional Use Permit process. The ordinance further addresses issues such as setbacks from waterbodies and public facilities, land use regulations, noise and many other concerns. WACO requests the State would recognize and require these mitigation measures in regards to any CBM development.**

**Because the WACO area is such a small portion of the total exploratory area, has a high residential population with a high level of public recreation use due to its pristine natural environment, CBM development would conflict with the Willow Comprehensive Plan and that there are alternative areas for exploration, we find CBM exploration within the WACO boundaries is not in the best interest of the State. We are therefore requesting the land within WACO's boundaries be excluded from exploration for Coal Bed Methane.**

**Sincerely,**

**Linda Oxley, Chair  
Willow Area Community Organization**

July 10, 2017

State of Alaska Department of Natural Resources  
Division of Oil and Gas  
Best Interest Findings  
550 West 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 1100  
Anchorage, AK 99501

Re: Comment on Exploration in the Susitna Valley Solicitation Area

Whomever It May Concern,

As a community council recognized by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough (MSB), the Willow Area Community Organization (WACO) would like to respond to the State's request for comment regarding proposed oil and gas exploration in the Susitna Valley. Because the area being considered for exploration includes a significant portion of our residential and recreational community, we have special interest in such development and the impacts it may have.

After careful discussion, WACO requests that the land within our boundaries be closed to exploratory drilling. We believe that the industrial activities associated with such exploration will adversely affect private property, businesses, local roads, recreation opportunities, and wildlife habitat

The solicitation area within the WACO boundaries is located between the Susitna River to the west and the Parks Highway on the east. It includes Township 18N, Range 5W, S1-6, T19N, R5W S1-3, 10-12, 13-15, 21-24, 25-30, 31-36 and T20N, Range 5W S1, 11-14, 22-26, 34-36 Seward Meridian. State land within these areas are managed through the Southeast Susitna Area Plan, 2008 (SSAP) which establishes land use designations, management intent and guidelines. The Willow Creek and Nancy Lake State Recreation Areas, both intensively managed State lands, are also located within the solicitation area.

SSAP describes two management regions that fall within the WACO boundaries. The Willow Region (SSAP, map 3) consists almost exclusively of private and Borough land with a relatively high density of residents. This region and the State Recreation Areas bordering on the north and south would be most vulnerable to the disturbance of drilling related activities. Also within this region is the MSB Willow Natural Resource Management Unit whose management intent is for recreation and consists of majority wetland, unsuited for development. We strongly feel this area is not in the State's best interest for oil and gas development.

The second region, Susitna Corridor, borders the Susitna River and consists of management units S-01 and S-02. According to the SSAP, these units are intended to be managed for public recreation, tourism and scenic resources. Other units in this region, S-03-05, are described as high value recreation lands in which natural resources should be protected (SSAP, p. 3-41). Because of their stated management intent and the impact road access to this area will have on residents, we also feel that these areas are not suitable for oil and gas development.

WACO's Willow Area Community Comprehensive Plan (2013) reflects how highly the community values recreation, natural resources, and a rural lifestyle. The plan encourages economic growth through tourism, by "maintaining stream quality and views that support recreation" (p. 34), and by "maintaining the rural character of the community." (p. 34). Oil and gas exploration would threaten the recreation-based economy and the rural lifestyle of its residents.

Because the WACO area is such a small portion of the total exploratory area and has both a high population and a high level of public use, we believe that oil and gas exploration of this area is not in the best interest of the State. We are therefore requesting the land within WACO's boundaries be excluded from exploratory drilling.

Sincerely,

Harry Banks, Chair  
Willow Area Community Organization

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**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH  
WATERBODY SETBACK ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**5:00 P.M.**

**October 14, 2024**

**I. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

The Regular meeting for the Waterbody Setback Advisory Board was held on Monday, October 14, 2024, at 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. Vice Chair CJ Koan called the meeting to order at 5:09 p.m.

Members present; # - Matthew LaCroix, Bill Haller, Carl Brent, Tim Alley, CJ Koan, Bill Klebesadel

Members absent/excused; # - Kendra Zamzow, Bill Kendig, Jeanette Perdue.

Quorum established.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved without objection.

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting: October 2, 2024**

Matthew LaCroix moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Bill Haller

The minutes from the regular meetings held on October 2, 2024 were approved without any objections.

**V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Jean Holt – Is curious about the tax credit. Would like the board to address the costs of violations.

Audience participation closed without objection.

**VI. ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

- A. Draft Ordinance – A DRAFT ORDINANCE TO BE PRESENTED TO THE ASSEMBLY AMENDING MSB 17.55 TO ALLOW STRUCTURES TO BE CONSTRUCTED WITHIN 75 FEET OF A WATERBODY, SO LONG AS CERTAIN ENGINEERING STANDARDS TO PROTECT WATER QUALITY ARE APPLIED

Matt LaCroix moves to delete 17.55.030 B. The motion was seconded by Bill Haller.



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Motion passed without objection.

Matthew LaCroix moved to delete 17.55.030 D in its entirety. The motion was seconded by Bill Haller.  
Motion passed without objection.

Matthew LaCroix moved to delete 17.55.030 section C. Matthew withdrew his motion.

Matthew LaCroix moved to rename 17.55.016 Section C to Section D and Section D to Section E. The motion was seconded by Bill Haller.  
Motion passed without objection.

Matthew LaCroix moved to adopt the language in section E as shown on page 39 in place of the language on page 19, section E. The motion was seconded by Tim Alley.  
Bill Haller moved a primary amendment to change number 4 to Stockpiling of imported snow. The motion was seconded by Bill Klebesadel.  
The primary amendment passed with Tim Alley opposed.  
Tim Alley moved to delete the text in the bracket in section E. The motion was seconded by Bill Klebesadel  
The primary amendment passed without objection.  
Tim Alley moved a primary amendment to change the language in number 4 to stockpiling of imported snow from an offsite location. The motion was seconded by Bill Klebesadel.  
The main motion passed without objection.

Tim Alley moved to remove section C from 17.55.030. The motion was seconded by Matthew LaCroix.

The motion passed without objection.

Tim Alley moved to remove 17.55.030 in its entirety. The motion was seconded by Carl Brent.

The motion passed without objection.

Bill Haller moved to remove section 17.55.035. The motion was seconded by Carl Brent.

Motion passed without objection.

Matthew LaCroix moved to add section C to 17.55.040 from the language on page 42. The motion was seconded by Carl Brent.

Break at 6:15  
Back at 6:26

Carl Brent moved a primary amendment to change the language to say "create a violation under this chapter" instead of "nonconforming situation." The motion was seconded by Bill Haller.

The amendment passed with no objection.

Tim Alley moved a primary amendment to change the language to waterbodies and ordinary high water. The motion was seconded by Bill Haller.

Motion passed without objection.

Matthew LaCroix moved to adopt his proposed language in section 7(a) on page 43. The motion was seconded by Bill Haller.

Matthew LaCroix moved a primary amendment to a the language in 7(a). Matthew LaCroix withdrew his amendment.

The main motion passed without objection.

Matthew Lacroix moved to add the language "within 75 feet of a waterbody" to 1 (a) and 1 (b) of 17.80.020. The motion was seconded by Bill Haller.

Matthew Lacroix moved to move the text from 3(a) to 2(a) on page 27. The motion was seconded by Carl Brent.

Matthew LaCroix moves to change the wording from structures to habitable buildings and garages. The motion was seconded by Carl Brent

Motion passed without objection.

Bill Haller moved to extend for 10 minutes. The motion was seconded by Bill Klebesadel.

B. Draft Resolution - A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH WATERBODY SETBACK ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDING CHANGES TO MSB 17.55 – SETBACK AND SCREENING EASEMENTS, MSB 17.02 – MANDATORY LAND USE PERMIT, AND MSB 17.65 - VARIANCES.

C. Meeting dates – October 29<sup>th</sup> at 5pm-7pm

VII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Scheduled next meeting.

Bill Klebesadel – No Comment

Tim Alley – A lot of people are waiting to see what we have come up with.

Matt Lacroix – I think we are just about done.

Bill Haller – I hope we can rap it up at the next meeting.


Carl Brent – Making great progress.

CJ Koan – No comment. I am happy with the progress.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Tim Alley moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Bill Klebesadel.

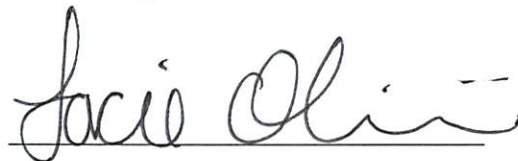
The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.



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for Bill Kendig, Chair

ATTEST:



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Lacie Olivieri, Clerk

Date Approved: 10/29/24