MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD MINUTES

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February 7, 2018

Chair Van Nice called the regular meeting of the EMS Advisory Board to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Cottonwood Public Safety Building.

The following members were present and established a quorum:

Jalan Van Nice, Butte;

Scott Williamson, Central

Carol Starbuck, Trapper Creek.;

Nathan Durbin, Palmer

Pam Cook, Valley Hospital;

Ashley Cunnington, Willow

Dr. Tom Check, Medical Director; Justin Ortolano, Palmer Alt.

Other persons present include: EMS Quality Assurance, Kati Sanders; EMS Training and Logistics Supervisor, Chris Loscar; Lake Louise EMS Chief, Mike Fassler; MSB EMT 1 and Narcotics Officer, Bryan Emmons; Trapper Creek EMT I, Joseph Starbuck; Butte EMT 3, Sally Beach; MATCOM Dispatch Supervisor, Chris Watchus, and MATCOM Dispatcher, Jake Butcher.

A quorum was established and due notice had been published.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved without objections.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

December 6, 2017

MOTION:

Mr. Williamson moved and Dr. Check seconded, to approve the

minutes as presented.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection to the approval of the minutes.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Mr. Chris Watchus introduced himself as the new MATCOM Dispatch Lieutenant. He also applied for the Dispatch representative on the EMS Board.

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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

EMS Deputy Director

Deputy Director, Gary Klink, was not present.

EMS Chief of Operations

Chief Heyano was not present.

Quality Assurance

Ms. Sanders said she has it approved to go paper-less for EMS. The "core area" stations will start the process. It may take the rest of the year to work out all the bugs, before moving it to the rural stations.

EMS Training Coordinator

Mr. Loscar, introduced himself as the new EMS Training and Logistics Assistant Chief for EMS. He is focusing on the overall EMS training program. The entire program will be revamped. He said the mission is to provide the best quality training for our staff which will improve them as providers and in turn, improve patient care. Some of the projects include:

- Implementing a new learning management system called Target Solutions; to provide better online training, track continuing education and improve personal accountability
- Expanding simulation training; use the simulation trailer at St. 51 and also travel with it out to rural stations

Mr. Loscar asked anyone to share ideas for future topics. Dr. Check added that anyone who would like to teach a subject or knows an outside presenter, to also let them know.

Medical Director

Dr. Check said he is assisting with the training restructure as well. He emphasized the need for participation from the EMT's and paramedics to make the training program successful.

Health & Safety

No report on Health & Safety.

REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

AED's and Narcotics -

Mr. Emmons said he discovered there are some old Samaritan AED's purchased by MSB that are out in the community somewhere. Let him know if anyone knows where they are located. Everything is outdated on them so they will need to go to surplus.

We may soon add bleeding control supplies in trauma kits to get out in the community as well. Ms. Cook said she is purchasing the training kit for the "Stop the Bleed" program. She plans to train at the state fair like the Hands-Only CPR training.

Mr. Emmons reported we have 10 new AED's. Five are already spoken for.

He said the updated control plan has been pushed out to everyone now.

Also, Fentanyl is still on back-order and our supply is getting low.

Trapper Creek -

Ms. Starbuck reported that they had the sim trailer at their station. Everyone said they came out of it with questions answered and they felt really good about the training.

Willow -

Ms. Cunnington didn't have any news to report.

Dispatch –

Jacob Butcher and Chris Watchus are guest representatives from MATCOM Dispatch. Mr. Butcher mentioned getting additional training on the EMS protocols. One idea is to notify responding units of any medical instructions given to a caller by dispatch prior to the ambulance arrival.

MSRMC -

Ms. Cook asked if the hospital could also do some training in the sim trailer. Mr. Loscar said he would be willing to do that. They will meet soon to discuss further.

Central -

Mr. Williamson said that Central is as busy as always. They are doing better with getting a fifth ambulance staffed every day. He said Butte and Willow ambulances have been helping with

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coverage in the core areas. With training changes, he said they are trying to get as much training done while on shifts as possible. The last group of interns are now all out in the field, off-internship, helping to fill the trucks.

Palmer -

Mr. Durbin reported that they have been backing up Central and Sutton. Their clothes dryer is not working so they have gear air drying all over the station.

Mr. Ortolano stated that he is the new Palmer Ambulance Alternate member.

Butte -

Chair Van Nice said that Sally Beach plans to apply as the Butte Alternate member on the board.

The unimog has been moved from St 21 to St 22 so it's out of the way for the contractors.

<u>CISM</u> –

Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There are no committee reports at this time.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Expiring Terms and Board Membership Update -

Ms. Vitt went over the recent board member confirmations and vacancies. Most of the vacant positions are in process of getting filled. We still need both Talkeetna member positions filled.

Radio Communications -

Mr. Pease was unable to attend to report.

Measurable Outcomes of Patient Care -

Ms. Sanders hopes to train everyone to input data in EMS Charts the same way so that data will be pulled out easily. Right now she has to look at each chest pain case, individually. She said we haven't been getting enough temperature readings on patients.

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Ms. Sanders can look at the MSRMC database to follow up on the patient outcomes, but she is not able to look at the Anchorage hospitals databases.

NEW BUSINESS

EMS Board Chair Nominations and Election –

Ms. Vitt announced that Chair Van Nice's term is expiring as Chair. Ms. Day was the only nomination received for Chair. The floor was open for any additional nominations. There were several additional nominations. Voting by ballot commenced. Due to two ties, the board voted three times.

Final vote awarded Justin Ortolano as Board Chair of the EMS Board for two years. The board thanked Mr. Van Nice for serving as Board Chair.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Dr. Check thanked MATCOM for being here. He brought up that leadership's vision for the board is to transform it to incorporate working with other entities we work closely with. The hope is to make the board's purpose more meaningful. This may include individual members of the community as well. Dr. Check would like to see more dialog and networking at the meetings with these organizations and individuals.

Ms. Vitt suggested if there are other outside entities to bring on as actual board members, we could do legislation to add more board seats. We could do brainstorming at the next meeting and also prior to the meeting via email.

Dr. Check suggested working with ADRC, Aging and Disabled Resource Center, who does case management for frequent fliers and also the task force on the opioid crisis.

NEXT MEETING

Chair Ortolano announced that the next meeting would be held on April 4th at 6:00 p.m. at Cottonwood PSB.

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ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Mr. Van Nice motioned and Dr. Check seconded to adjourn the

meeting.

All in favor

The meeting ended at 7:00 p.m.

Justin Ortolano, Chair

ATTEST:

Stephanie Vitt, Secretary

Greater Talkeetna Road Service Board of Supervisors Minutes of Regular Meeting March 8, 2018

A regular meeting of the Greater Talkeetna Road Service Area Board of Supervisors (RSA 29) was held at the Talkeetna Public Library on March 8, 2018. Board members John Strasenburgh and Billy FitzGerald, along with Borough Road Superintendent Mike Lachelt were present.

- 1. There was a guorum, and the meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.
- II. Minutes of the January 11, 2018 meeting were approved. Note that our February 8, 2018 meeting was cancelled due to lack of a quorum.
- III. Mike Lachelt reported that due to several snowfalls in recent weeks, the RSA will need to expend Additional Maintenance funds to clear "private snow" that has been piled up in our road rights of way. The board discussed available snow storage space in the Talkeetna town site. Mike also reported that the placement of vehicles within the two parking areas near the end of Mastodon was somewhat chaotic, to the extent that neither could be plowed out.
- IV. John reported that the Borough's audit of the RSA accounts showed that RSA 29 had approximately \$39,000 more in its Fund Balance account that previously projected. And with respect to the content of the potential Road Bond package, the board discussed the "Potential Road Bond Project List," which for the most part contained large projects in the core areas. There were no specific projects for the northern areas of the MSB; and none for RSA 29.

V. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John Strasenburg RSA 29 Primary

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MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING APRIL 16, 2018

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES CLERKS OFFICE

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission was held on April 16, 2018, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Colleen Vague.

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

Planning Commission members present and establishing a quorum:

Ms. Eileen Patterson, Assembly District #2

Ms. Patricia Chesbro, Assembly District #3

Ms. Colleen Vague, Assembly District #4, Chair

Mr. Chris Elder, Assembly District #5

Mr. Sassan Mossanen, Assembly District #7

Planning Commission members absent and excused were:

Ms. Mary Anderson, Assembly District #1

Mr. Stafford Glashan, Assembly District #6

Staff in attendance:

Mr. Alex Strawn, Development Services Manager

Ms. Shannon Bodolay, Assistant Borough Attorney

Mr. Hugh Leslie, Recreation and Library Services Manager

Mr. Ray Nix, Resource Manager

Ms. Mary Brodigan, Planning Commission Clerk

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Vague 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 Mr. Hugh Leslie, a member of MSB staff.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes
- 1. April 2, 2018, regular meeting minutes
- A. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING: QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS

(There were no introductions for quasi-judicial matters.)

- B. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING: LEGISLATIVE MATTERS
- 1. **Resolution 18-12**, recommending Assembly approval of an ordinance amending the applicability of MSB 17.60 Conditional Uses to exempt the Port MacKenzie Special Land

Use District from permit requirements within MSB 17.60, and adding Standards within MSB 17.23 Port MacKenzie Special Land Use District to address Junkyards. Public Hearing: May 7, 2018. (Staff: Alex Strawn)

Chair Vague read the consent agenda into the record.

Chair Vague inquired if there were any changes to the consent agenda.

GENERAL CONSENT: The consent agenda was approved without objection.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

(There were no committee reports.)

VI. AGENCY/STAFF REPORTS

A. Wetland Mitigation and Banking. (Staff: Mr. Ray Nix and Mr. Jerome Ryan, Su-Knik Mitigation Bank Manager)

Mr. Ryan provided an overview of Wetland Mitigation and Banking.

VII. LAND USE CLASSIFICATIONS

(There were no land use classifications.)

VIII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Three minutes per person.)

(There were no persons to be heard.)

IX. PUBLIC HEARING: QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS (Public Hearings not to begin before 6:15 P.M.)

Commission members may not receive or engage in ex-parte contact with the applicant, other parties interested in the application, or members of the public concerning the application or issues presented in the application.

(There were no quasi-judicial public hearings.)

X. PUBLIC HEARING LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

A. Resolution 18-11, recommending the Assembly adopt the MSB Public Libraries Strategic Plan 2018 – 2020. (Staff: Hugh Leslie, Recreation & Library Services Manager)

Chair Vague read the resolution title into the record.

Mr. Hugh Leslie provided a staff report:

• staff recommended approval of the resolution.

Chair Vague opened the public hearing.

There being no persons to be heard, Chair Vague closed the public hearing and discussion moved to the Planning Commission.

MOTION: Commissioner Chesbro moved to approve Resolution 18-11. The motion was

seconded.

VOTE: The main motion passed without objection.

A. Resolution 18-09, recommending Assembly adoption of Ordinance 18-021, an ordinance amending MSB 17.63 Race Track Regulations to make the standards more consistent with other permits within Borough Code. (Staff: Alex Strawn)

Chair Vague read the resolution title into the record.

Mr. Alex Strawn provided a staff report:

• staff recommended approval of the resolution.

Commissioners questioned staff regarding:

- clarification that noise requirements for small scale race tracks will still be in place if the substitute ordinance is adopted;
- what can the borough do if a small scale unpermitted race track holds more than ten races in a 12-month period;
- confirmation that a track could run pretty much all summer and still have only ten racing events:
- clarification that a racing event can be 3 or fewer days;
- whether there are any restrictions on the number of people that can attend one of the small scale races; and
- what constitutes a permanent structure at a race track.

Chair Vague opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke in favor of Resolution 18-09: Mr. Andy Andersen, President of Sutton Racing Alliance; Mr. Mark DeRocchi; Mr. Gary Butcher, Jr.; Mr. Dane Ferguson; Mr. Brody Smith; Mr. Earl Lackey; Ms. Ashley Kincaid, President of Lions Club; Mr. Burt Verrall; Mr. Gunnar Swan; Mr. Patrick Nephew; Ms. Kenzie Ferguson; Mr. Steve Neel; Mr. Kody Worley; Mr. Blake Caverly; Mr. Matthew DeRocchi; Mr. Anderson (child), Ms. Katie Ferguson; Mr. Jim Psenak; and Mr. Drake Butcher.

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

MOTION: Commissioner Patterson moved to approve Resolution 18-09. The motion was

seconded.

MOTION: Commissioner Patterson moved a primary amendment to add a "BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED" statement to read: "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission recommends Ordinance 18-021 be modified to allow racetracks that hold 10 or less events per year to operate without a permit as long as they follow standards for noise, hours of operation, and parking. The motion was seconded.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- the number of organizations that could have these race tracks;
- clarification of the definition of commercial race tracks:
- does holding raffles or giving away prizes cause a race track to be classified as commercial;
- concerns that adoption of the substitute ordinance could result in there being too many race tracks in the borough;
- there will be no way to track small scale race tracks;
- there is no way to ensure that there will be adequate sanitation and hand washing facilities;
- there is no way to ensure that there is adequate parking; and
- appreciation for the positive experiences that children and families have with this type of activity.

(The meeting recessed at 7:45 p.m., and reconvened at 8:00 p.m.)

MOTION:

Commissioner Chesbro moved a secondary amendment to add "register with the borough and" and "sanitary facilities" to the BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED statement and to replace "less" with "fewer" to read: "the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission recommends Ordinance 18-021 be modified to allow racetracks that hold 10 or fewer events per year to operate without a permit as long as they register with the borough and follow standards for noise, hours of operation, sanitary facilities, and parking. The motion was seconded.

VOTE: The secondary amendment passed without objection.

VOTE: The primary amendment passed without objection.

VOTE: The main motion passed as amended without objection.

A. Resolution 18-10, recommending approval of an ordinance changing the threshold for MSB 17.73 Multi-Family Development Permit requirements, requiring a Domestic Wastewater System Plan review for new multi-family developments, and updating definitions within MSB 17.125. (Staff: Alex Strawn)

Chair Vague read the resolution title into the record.

Mr. Alex Strawn provided a staff report:

• staff recommended approval of the resolution.

Commissioners questioned staff regarding:

- clarification of the intent of these modifications;
- the cost and time frame of a Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) inspection;

- whether there already are DEC regulations that address this:
- clarification of why MSB wants to mirror DEC regulations; and
- are these modifications the result of a public outcry at the number of detached 4-plexes that are popping up in the borough.

Chair Vague opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke in favor of Resolution 18-10: Mr. Sam Goldman, Ms. Megan Wilson, and Ms. Ashley Kincaid.

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

MOTION: Commissioner Chesbro moved to approve Resolution 18-10. The motion was seconded.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- the potential for septic system issues in the future;
- the need to ensure that septic systems are installed and maintained correctly;
- support from the building industry and public for this ordinance; and
- increasing public concern with the appearance of many of the detached 4-plex developments that are popping up throughout the borough.

VOTE: The main motion passed without objection.

XI. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

A. Order Granting Summary Judgement/Decision for the 907 Club Conditional Use Permit.

Mr. Strawn provided a brief explanation of the court's decision.

XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(There was no unfinished business.)

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

(There was no new business.)

XIV. COMMISSION BUSINESS

A. Upcoming Planning Commission Agenda Items

Mr. Strawn provided a brief update on projects that will be coming before the Planning Commission, and introduced his new Planner, Joe Metzger.

XV. DIRECTOR AND COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Patterson:

- stated that she is proud of the community today; and
- opined it's a cool day to be on the Planning Commission.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

COLLEEN VAGUE, Planning Commission

Chair

ATTEST:

MARY BRODIGAN, Planning Commission

Clerk

Minutes approved: May 7, 2018

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REGULAR MEETING APRIL 5, 2018

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Platting Board was held on April 5, 2018, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by the Chair Jay Van Diest.

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (by Administrative Specialist)

Platting Board members present and establishing a quorum:

Mr. Jay Van Diest, District #1 (Chair)

Mr. LaMarr Anderson, District #2

Mr. Gregory Pugh, District #3

Mr. Dennis Vau Dell, District #5

Mr. George Thompson, District #7

Mr. John Shadrach, Alternate #2

Platting Board member excused or absent:

Mr. Jordan Rausa, District #4 (Vice Chair)

Mr. Patrick Johnson, District #6

Staff in attendance:

Mr. Fred Wagner, Platting Officer

Ms. Sloan Von Gunten, Administrative Specialist

Cheryl Scott, Platting Technician

Peggy Horton, Platting Technician

Amy Otto-Buchanan, Platting Technician

B. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

• The pledge of allegiance was led by George Thompson.

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chair Jay Van Diest inquired if there were any changes to the agenda.

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved without objections.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Jay Van Diest inquired if there were any changes to the minutes for March 1, 2018.

GENERAL CONSENT: The minutes for March 1, 2018 were approved without objection.

3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. HIMALAYAN HILLS

Chair Jay Van Diest read the case description into the record.

Sloan Von Gunten, Administrative Specialist, provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 35 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 15, 2018.

Peggy Horton, Platting Technician, provided a staff report:

- Gave an overview of the case, #2018-022.
- Add finding #12.

Chair Jay Van Diest

• Opened the public hearing and asked any members of the public wishing to speak to come forward.

Melvin Vostry

- Concerned on the water runoff in the spring.
- Concerned about the topographic area and where the drainage lies.
- Concerned that the water drainage will flow into his basement and house.

Chair Jay Van Diest

• Closed the public hearing.

Gary LoRusso (Petitioner's Representative) and Justin Dewayne Hatley (Petitioner)

- Will be making an infiltration ditch.
- Engineer will be taking care of the water drainage so it will not affect the neighbors.
- would like to change the wording on recommendation #2 to: "... parcel that do not comply with ..."

MOTION:

• Anderson moved to approve the preliminary plat for Himalayan Hills. The motion was seconded by Pugh.

DISCUSSION:

Pugh asked if the new Title 43 version is being used for this platting action.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

• Modify #2: Move or remove structures from the parent parcel that do not comply with MSB 17.55, Setbacks. Provide verification from a surveyor that there are no setback violations prior to recordation.

FINDINGS:

• Add #12: R. Melvin Vostry, a concerned neighbor, concerns included drainage and water runoff of proposed road and possible flooding, road dust, well and septic separation, and snow impingement due to road plowing. Staff notes drainage and road construction will be to subdivision construction manual standards. Infiltration trenches are planned to contain drainage, and ADEC regulates well and septic separation.

VOTE:

• The motion passed with all in favor. There are 11 findings.

TIME: 1:29 P.M. CD: 0:26:44

B. RIDGEWOOD MASTER PLAN

Chair Jay Van Diest read the case description into the record.

Sloan Von Gunten, Administrative Specialist, provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 86 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 15, 2018.

Cheryl Scott, Platting Technician, provided a staff report:

• Gave an overview of the case, #2018-025.

Chair Jay Van Diest

 Opened the public hearing and asked any members of the public wishing to speak to come forward.

Bill Haller

• Is in favor of the development.

Chair Jay Van Diest

Closed the public hearing.

Gary LoRusso (Petitioner's Representative) and Jake & Allison Davies (Petitioner)

- Master plan with help with more flexibility in developing these lots.
- Davies thanked the board in looking over the design plan.
- Agrees with all the recommendations.

MOTION:

• Pugh moved to approve the preliminary plat for Ridgewood Master Plan. The motion was seconded by Thompson.

VOTE:

• The motion passed with 5 in favor. (Mr. Vau Dell Abstained his vote – he did not give a reason why). There are 12 findings.

TIME: 1:57 P.M. CD: 0:53:43

C. MT PILOT

Chair Jay Van Diest read the case description into the record.

Sloan Von Gunten, Administrative Specialist, provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 65 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 15, 2018.

Cheryl Scott, Platting Technician, provided a staff report:

- Gave an overview of the case, #2018-021.
- The Petitioner would like to continue the case to May 17, 2018, due to a design change.

Chair Jay Van Diest

• Opened the public hearing and asked any members of the public wishing to speak to come forward. Seeing no members of the public wishing to speak, kept the public hearing open.

Craig Hanson (Petitioner's Representative)

• Answered any questions by the platting board for the continuance.

MOTION:

• Thompson moved to continue the preliminary plat to May 17, 2018. The motion was seconded by Pugh.

VOTE:

The motion passed with all in favor.

TIME: 2:02 P.M. CD: 0:58:05

D. HAYSTEAD SOUTH MASTER PLAN

Chair Jay Van Diest read the case description into the record.

Sloan Von Gunten, Administrative Specialist, provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 65 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 15, 2018.

Cheryl Scott, Platting Technician, provided a staff report:

• Gave an overview of the case, #2018-023.

Chair Jay Van Diest

 Opened the public hearing and asked any members of the public wishing to speak to come forward. Seeing no members of the public wishing to speak, closed the public hearing.

Craig Hanson (Petitioner's Representative)

- Clarified the road structure for the plat.
- Agrees with all the recommendations.

MOTION:

• Pugh moved to approve the preliminary plat for Haystead South Master Plan. The motion was seconded by Shadrach.

DISCUSSION:

Vau Dell asked about fire

VOTE:

• The motion passed with all in favor. There are 16 findings.

TIME: 2:14 P.M. CD: 01:10:09

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Three minutes per person, for items not scheduled for public hearing)

Gary LoRusso

• Thanked Eileen for work that was done.

5. ITEMS OF BUSINESS & MISCELLANEOUS

A. FIRESTATION 6-2

Fred Wagner & Eileen Probasco gave an overview and explanation of why the action is coming before the board.

MOTION:

Pugh moved to approve the elimination of the 15' wide utility easement for Firestation 6The motion was seconded by Vau Dell.

DISCUSSION:

- Talked about procedures on the action.
- Discussion on the 15' wide utility easement.

Anderson called for the question.

VOTE:

• The motion to approve the elimination of the 15' wide utility easement passed with all in favor. There are 7 recommendations and 7 findings.

6. RECONSIDERATIONS/APPEALS

7. PLATTING STAFF & OFFICER COMMENTS

- There is 1 case to be heard at the next Platting Board Meeting.
- There will be a presentation on the updated construction manual at the next meeting.
- The Clerk let the board know that they will be going electronic this summer.

8. BOARD COMMENTS

Pugh commented on sending emails to staff.

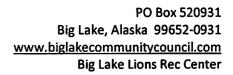
9. ADJOURNMENT

• With no further business to come before the Platting Board, Chair Jay Van Diest adjourned the meeting at 2:43 p.m. (CD: 01:37:25)

Attest:

Jay Van Diest, Chair

Sloan Von Gunten, Administrative Specialist





General Membership Meeting Minutes: March 14, 2017

1. Call to Order/Determination of Quorum

This meeting was called to order at 7:03pm with a quorum established and board members present as follows: Sandy Baker-- Vice President; Diane Lada -- Secretary; Yvonne Ruth—Treasurer; Jennifer Tew--Member, Margaret Billinger--Member(Absent: Casey Steinau, *Cathy Mayfield now resigned from her position—letter submitted).

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance-- group
- 3. Approval of Agenda--

Margaret made a motion to approve the agenda and Yvonne seconded.

4. <u>Approval of Minutes</u> – dated February 7, 2017—Sandy announced Cathy Mayfield's resignation and noted that with a vacancy, and Casey will fill the vacancy done by appointment. If not before the next meeting then at the next BLCC meeting. If interested, please contact Casey or Sandy with your interest and contact information.

Motioned to approve meeting minutes, and seconded for approval.

- 5. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>—Yvonne shared the current budget report:
 - a. Checking \$18,866.36
 - b. Savings \$281.11
- 6. Membership Report -- Yvonne presented the current membership report at 65 (approximate)
- Reports— General Assembly: Dan Mayfield reported on a historic vote for the responsible trapping ordinances (ordinance # 17-021) passed by the Assembly during the last meeting for "trap-free parks"—namely Jordan Lake Park, as one example. With growth and unregulated trapping in the Borough, inadvertent placement of traps in recreational areas/parks was endangering some animals.

Another project he is working on is the <u>911 System</u>—addresses that are visible on properties all around the Lake, so that emergency responders can locate our residents in a timely manner. Feel free to contact Dan at any time with questions, concerns.

Big Lake Grade School: On Spring Break—No report

Fire Service – John Fairchild spoke about the difficulty of spotting house numbers especially in emergencies. Needs to be visible on the end of a road, for access. This will help with Dispatch to locate houses with proper addresses on GPS locator, especially with medical or fire emergencies.

- 56 Runs for the month
- 8 Fire
- 23 Rescue calls/wrecks on the ice roads
- **60 Volunteers**

Clearing and building the new fire station across from Johnson Park by Fisher Fuel—65% review on the drawings with construction start by late April and move in by December 2017. Four of eight bays will be dedicated to fleet maintenance.

Road Service – Bill Haller – Road construction/paving project on Horseshoe Lake will be done this summer. Upgrades on Ryan's Creek Road in progress with hopes to get bids out this year (currently at 60%).

Chamber of Commerce: Margaret mentioned the Ice Classic tickets are available at \$2.00 apiece.

Valley Recycling: Steve Hawk spoke of a cooperative project with the Mat-Su Solid Waste Division and the Recycling Coalition for reducing solid waste and expenditures. Need more volunteers since down to 2 days per week in operations (Sat & Sun 12noon-3pm) at the Transfer Sight. There is a meeting tomorrow at Big Lake Family Restaurant, 6pm for ideas and updates.

8. Correspondence--

New application – Green Pearl LLC—Wolverine Drive

Notice or Utility Tariff Filing – adding a new cost element to is surcharge calculation State Summer Food Service Program is looking for sponsors for meals served to Alaska Native children in our system

Recycling Roundtable help April 15, Jo Walch is interested in attending Drafted letter by Casey was sent to Borough re: Platt #2003-10

9. <u>Land Use and Platting:</u> (Platting—Ken Walch assisting with new Borough Public Notices) (Due to the high volume of incoming notices, Ken and the BLCC discussed their content ongoing)

10. Persons to be Heard—

Pat Daniels spoke about trails with a complete handout on the full information needed. Asked the council to review his letter and put together a committee to review trail issues and maintaining their ongoing value to our community.

Lori Boltz sent letter of objection to the application by Andy Murr—for marijuana grow facility. The State Marijuana Control Board met last week—public comments were welcomed. Added to initial letter that State is more concerned with income versus those of the private

citizens and property value. Growing crime in this State is concerning—common denominator is often drugs. Next MCB meeting is April 4th. Asking BLCC to write to the State Marijuana Control Board to object grow operations in residential neighborhoods. If local government protests operations, an application may be denied. Done within 60 days of application notice. Please entertain a motion to be voted on as a council.

Robin Carvalho State volunteer opportunity with the office of long term care ombudsmen. Seeking volunteers to visit with long term care residents and help the elderly/disabled. The training for this is on March 25 and April 1 (14 hours required).

Vern Monet spoke to the trails and the positive addition they provide for our enjoyment. Looking to have more expansion and connecting our trail service.

11. Unfinished Business—

12. <u>New Business—Safety Corridor</u> updates with a letter to request the 907 Club compliance-(no one available to address this issue at this meeting)

Marijuana responses- Considering that we are an unincorporated community, the BLCC is only advisory to the Borough. All correspondence be sent to Marijuana.licensing@alaska.gov

Motion for discussion to send a letter was brought forward.

Looking for a standing subcommittee to look at the following: Land use conflicts, liquor and marijuana regulations and Conditional Use Permit compatibility with the Big Lake Community. Most have to go through the Planning Commission along with public comment. Without zoning and use of SpUDs, not protected as neighborhoods.

A separate committee has been requested for further action.

Motion was forwarded by Yvonne to write a letter against small grow operations for marijuana in our community. Seconded by Diane.

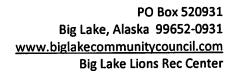
Vote taken—and passed by majority to write a letter of objection to the grow facilities.

- 13. Announcements—Bill Haller- Easter Egg hunt on April 16
- 14. Board Member's Comments—

15. Adjournment--

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm Minutes respectfully/submitted,

Diane Lada Secrétary





General Membership Meeting Minutes: April 11, 2017

1. Call to Order/Determination of Quorum

This meeting was called to order at 7:04pm with a quorum established and board members present as follows: Casey Steinau – President; Sandy Baker-- Vice President; Diane Lada -- Secretary; Yvonne Ruth—Treasurer; Jennifer Tew--Member, Margaret Billinger—Member; Welcoming newest Board Member, Lois Parker to tonight's meeting.

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance-- group
- 3. Approval of Agenda--

Sandy made a motion to approve the agenda and Yvonne seconded.

4. <u>Approval of Minutes</u> – dated March 14, 2017—Dan Mayfield edited one correction to minutes

Sandy motioned to approve meeting minutes, and Lois seconded for approval

5. <u>Presentation</u> – Alex Strawn MSB, spoke on covenant and restriction enforcement plus marijuana businesses and what role the community plays. He is the Development Services Manager and he reiterated that his job is to manage code enforcement and permitting for the borough. Nov 2014, State of Alaska voted on Ballot Measure 2 regulating and tolerating marijuana. AK Statute 17.38 was then created, and the Marijuana Control Board adjudicates marijuana applications. AMCO was then developed, combining the Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office.

The Marijuana Advisory Committee was formed (17 participants and 17 alternatives) to draft ordinances to keep cultivation centers outside of residential areas. The state has 2 types of cultivation facilities--Limited (< 500sq ft) and Standard (retail stores, product manufacturing facilities and testing facilities). The borough regulates cultivation and retail types.

Cultivation facilities cannot sell direct to consumers and must maintain strict 24 hour security surveillance. Strict tracking must be documented (seed to sale program). Carbon filters with mitigation ventilation must be installed to diminish odors emitted. Required 100ft set back from property lines as well. Proper waste water disposal is included. CUP hallmark is that the

facility will be compatible with the surrounding area; increased buffer from schools at 1000ft. separation.

Retail Facilities cannot sell to minors (less than 21 years of age) or intoxicated individuals. Cannot be sold over the internet, or between hours of 5am-8am. All state licenses must be renewed annually. Therefore, the state can object if standards are not maintained. Must have taxes paid, borough license up to date and have to be in compliance with code.

The borough/assembly decided that limited cultivation facilities (< 500ft/ size of two-car garage) are exempt from borough regulations. Can grow without a permit within the borough, but still must follow state regulations. 5% tax revenue goes back to the borough.

Casey asked: What is required of us as the BLCC on how to respond to license applications? Alex noted that the BLCC has the ability to lodge an objection or approval—if there is a compelling reason to deny permitting, the state can act on that recommendation.

Residential=100 ft set back from property lines with buffers (50 ft from rights of way)

- 6. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>—Yvonne shared the current budget report :
 - a. Checking \$18,819.29
 - b. Savings \$281.18
- 7. Membership Report -- Yvonne presented the current membership report at 65 to date
- 8. <u>Reports— General Assembly:</u> Dan Mayfield, reported for the Fire Chief, who was unable to attend that fire permits are necessary if you are going to burn on property.

May 9th is ground breaking for new fire truck maintenance facility.

Flat Lake access property public notice—assuring safe and proper channel access to properties as well as maintain the trail systems. This secures access to Big Lake and Mud Lake, and an easement was granted from Mental Health Trust. Land was assessed at \$400,000.00 but we can purchase this at \$72,300.00. April 30th is the end of public comment, so do so before then.

Big Lake Grade School: Brei called in to note that the school is completing standardized testing

Road Service – Bill Haller – Ice pack is gone on the roads, soon as dry, will grate the roads and road restrictions are on.

Chamber of Commerce: Margaret mentioned the Ice Classic tickets are still available at \$2.00 apiece. Joint committee annual awards lunch is scheduled for April 29th at 12noon at the Lions Club. Bill is selling tickets for the lunch. Along with a Mother's Day raffle is scheduled with many fine prizes. A Father's day raffle will be available as well, to support our community.

Valley Recycling: Keep up the good work

9. Correspondence-- none this month

10. <u>Land Use and Platting:</u> Asked by our Assembly member to send a letter of support for the purchase of the property at the Flat Lake Corridor—Margaret motioned to send a letter in support of this purchase, Sandy seconded.

Vote taken in support of a letter –All in favor was unanimous consent.

11. <u>Persons to be Heard— John Rush thanked the BLCC for their letter to the ABC Board to table the 907 Club till July as the safety studies are done. The traffic safety of the Big Lake corridor will be completed by R&M Consultants and you can contact Van Lee who is in charge of this project by emailing to <u>Vlee@RMconsult.com</u></u>

Robin Carvalho noted that April is "second chance" for reentry for the previously incarcerated by offering jobs, housing.

- 12. <u>Unfinished Business—</u> Land use subcommittee started to form last month, looking at items like marijuana cultivation, alcohol, setbacks, etc.; now we need to consider how to be productive/more functional. Casey asked for a member to take charge of this committee, and Jennifer Tew recommended Aimee Altman as committee lead.
- 13. New Business—Department of Transportation is introducing the Big Lake Pedestrian Improvement Study. This will include looking at the downtown as a walkable community with increased business participation. Echo Lake Rd to Beaver Lake—results are tallied and the speaker for June will present this information. The DOT is asking for an advisory board to represent BL Elementary, BLCC, Chamber and our community in general; first meeting is May 17th with reporting at BL Elementary—Bill Haller and Jennifer Tew agreed to sit on this committee.

Big Lake Community Clean Up date is May 7-13th. Jennifer Tew recommended a motion that the BLCC fund \$500.00 donation towards prizes for the Clean Up day participants. Sandy seconded. All in favor voted unanimously. None opposed.

14. Announcements—Bill Haller- April 15th is the Easter Egg Hunt

Houston HS Gun and Sports Show—sold out April 22

April 29 first Annual Joint Community Appreciation Awards BL Lions Club--\$10/luncheon May 7-13th Spring Clean up

June 17th Mud Volleyball—looking for sponsors

This summer-200 volunteers staying at the Maranatha Camp with group missions (2nd week of July) helping with community service projects - let Jim Faikes know@892-8482.

15. <u>Board Member's Comments—</u> Lois Parker offered thanks as a new board member covering our recent resignation.

16. Adjournment-- Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted, Diane Lada, Secretary

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Big Lake Lions Rec Center

General Membership Meeting Minutes: June 13, 2017

1. Call to Order/Determination of Quorum

This meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm with a quorum established and board members present as follows: Sandy Baker-- Vice President; Diane Lada -- Secretary; Yvonne Ruth—Treasurer; Jennifer Tew--Member, Margaret Billinger—Member; Lois Parker—Member.

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance-- group
- 3. Approval of Agenda-- Margaret made a motion to approve the agenda and Yvonne seconded.
- 4. <u>Approval of Minutes</u> dated May 9, 2017; Yvonne motioned to approve, Margaret seconded
- 5. Presentation Cindy Gildner, Manager of the Non-Point Source Pollution shared ways to minimize the amount of gasoline in our lakes. Past analytics of our lake water has shown levels above toxicity for fish and vegetation. Cook Inlet Keepers has been funded to help with public education on cleaner waters, but EPA funding will soon be discontinued (July 1, 2017). Primary cause of pollution is two-stroke engine motor boats. For every 5 gallons of gas for the two-stroke engines, there is a loss of about 2 gallons into surrounding water, where newer engines emit only about 2 ounces of gas. To help with cleaner water, avoid idling on the lake; if filling up jet ski with fuel, use direct source (no fuel can fill-ups on the water—go direct to marina, or fill up on land), take out your bilge on land.

Another program includes *USboating.org* for discounts on all clean boating courses. Along with safety courses and clean engine courses.

--Emerson Krueger MSB, spoke on the Herning Trail Re-alignment Resolution; along with the RS2477 alignment and re-routing of the Trail has been researched. Looking at existing section line easements, many private properties cross these trail intersections. Since they do not show up in common title reports, owners are not aware of these easement borders. The Knik Lake section to the terminus of the Herning Trail was investigated first (south side of RR on Parks Highway). The project (supported by a recent bond package) is trying to make a more functional trail corridor for all to use. Currently the community of Knik-Fairview and the city of Houston has issued resolutions of support for the realignment plan; he is asking the BLCC to promote the same support. Then he will to take this proposal to the Borough

Park and Recreation Advisory Board, Planning Commission and Assembly for full community support. Sandy reminded us that this topic was discussed at our last BLCC meeting (May 2017) and the current move is to vote on the concept plan for the RS2477 alignment.

(A Concept Plan was submitted with project background, strategies and resource description)

Next--Mark Mayo, Airport Planner, DOWL spoke on an update of the Big Lake Airport Masterplan. Website for public comment, as the DOT decides on how to develop this site for the next 20 years: Biglakeairportmasterplan.com

Plans are to develop an activity forecast, and safe handling of traffic. Costs and funding of the different scenarios were discussed. State-funded alternatives would prove less costly, with less elaborate plans. The project began in Dec. 2016 and since then has interviewed numerous leaseholders, pilots and DOT crew members, along with surrounding property owners. Some of the issues discussed were security issues, vandalism, seaplane access, onsite maintenance, onsite fuel vendor, runway safety to name a few. Approach and departure accidents happen commonly at the end of a runway; required to be structure-clear with airport control. There have been tragedies in the past with planes clipping trees. Model Cessna 185 is the ideal craft for a runway required length of 2900 ft. and the runway is currently 2450 ft. (substandard for FAA requirements). There are no more public hearings on the alternatives for the airport; state funds include \$150 million /annually shared by 256 airports.

- 6. Treasurer's Report—Yvonne shared the current budget report:
 - a. Checking \$16,239.40
 - b. Savings \$281.18
- 7. Membership Report -- Yvonne presented the current membership report at 78 to date
- 8. Reports— General Assembly: Dan Mayfield shared a historic look at Big Lake with the book "Big Lake Alaska Beginnings" (1916). The Library is celebrating its 30th year in Big Lake. Borough business included the June 6th approval of the Flat Lake Land Bridge purchase. Greg Jones is the interim leader at Mental Health and served to assist with this purchase. Land Management fund designated monies for this transaction.

Big Lake Grade School: none tonight

Fire Service: Chief John Fairchild reported the bypass on Parks Highway has diverted traffic through Big Lake and be aware of traffic/truck congestion. Prevention program has been busy working with the schools with new year plans and safety fairs, thanks to Cathi Kramer. There are 63 volunteers, with increased medical calls, especially drug-related events. Station 73 has foundation ready for pouring. Burn permits—there are 115 fires burning in the state currently; consider safe practices. Fireworks for this Fourth of July are allowed for that one night.

Road Service: Bill Haller—supervisors met on May 10th, and considering this is the season to develop road improvement projects and maintenance upgrades like Ryan's Creek (a gravel source is available to

make improvements there) increasing its value. Horseshoe Lake is ready for pavement improvements. The bid for this project came in at 400K with a 100K savings on the original costs which will be rolled back into the RSA fund. The new Road Service Contractor is well-received with positive public comment on their work so far. On June 19th, the meeting with the Borough will look at new projects to consider for Big Lake. Henry Aaron Drive is in design as well. The August meeting is 8/9/17 to discuss CIP project nominations.

Chamber of Commerce: Margaret spoke to the Community Picnic July 15that the park on Fish Creek. Aug. 5 & 6th is the Summer Fishing Derby.

Valley Recycling: none tonight

- 9. Correspondence-- none this month
- 10. <u>Land Use and Platting:</u> Yvonne asked where to send current public notice questions and we were reminded to utilize the Borough Platting office for notice announcements and concerns. Other items Sandy discussed with members: CUP for earth material extractions off of Susitna Parkway (21252 W. Susitna Pkway). Another project is for a limited marijuana cultivation facility at Sunrise Gardens, address 14017 W. Sunrise Drive. Submit comments or objections for this public notice.
- 11. <u>Persons to be Heard—</u> Jasmine Martin—works for Senator Wilson, making herself available for any questions directed to his office.

Next, John Rush updated us on the lawsuit concerning the 907 Club--the judge issued an order, in conjunction with the BLCC letter, for no further activity on this CUP until the case is completed--likely Dec. 2017.

Jill Parson, regarding the Herning Trail, the city of Houston owns several adjacent properties, which is under a long-term lease, so those portions will not work as a trailhead (pg 20 of the concept plan).

Cathi Kramer (Community Coordinator-Horseshoe Lake) spoke about the driveway signs available for fire safety and response. If you would like one made, contact her at https://historial.com at a cost of \$25.00.

- 12. <u>Unfinished Business</u>— Motion was made in support of the Herning Trail as a resolution letter was read at last month's community council meeting, a motion is needed to accept the concept plan RS2477 Realignment: Motion made in favor of this by Margaret Billinger, seconded by Yvonne Ruth. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- 13. New Business— none
- 14. <u>Announcements</u>— Alaska Wildlife Response Center—Solstice Celebration this Saturday 12noon-2pm. Mud Volleyball will be Saturday with 57 teams and 3 pits at 10am.

- 15. <u>Board Member's Comments—</u> July will be the month to talk about grant distributions. The nominating committee will be needed to help with new officers (4 vacated positions later this year).
- 16. Adjournment-- Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted, Diane Lada, Secretary



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General Membership Meeting Minutes: July 11, 2017

1. Call to Order/Determination of Quorum

This meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm with a quorum established and board members present as follows: Casey Steinau, President-- Sandy Baker, Vice President-- Diane Lada, Secretary-- Yvonne Ruth, Treasurer-- Jennifer Tew, Member-- Margaret Billinger, Member-- Lois Parker, Member.

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance-- group
- 3. Approval of Agenda-- Sandy made a motion to approve the agenda and Margaret seconded
- 4. Approval of Minutes dated June 13, 2017; Margaret motioned to approve, Sandy seconded
- 5. Presentation Van Le- R&M Consultants (Planning Project Manager) Update on the DOT Big Lake Road Pedestrian Improvement's Study. She introduced Melanie Nichols, another project manager on this study. The DOT and Public Facilities is conducting this study to identify and plan for pedestrian and other non-motorized user safety with Big Lake. This study began in late April, and currently is in the data-collection phase. By next June, 2018 final reports should be available for this 20-year project with future recommendations. It will include future land use development, traffic flow, pedestrian activities, services, as well as other modes of transportation ie. bikes, ATVs, motor vehicles, freight and trucking that use Big Lake Road. Big Lake is clearly a recreational destination and the plan is to protect this area with all the traffic that flows through. They will be considering the Big Lake adoptive comprehensive plan along with the Borough's plans to make sound recommendations that are implementable. There is an advisory committee/business roundtable that represents local businesses to promote economic development. The scope of this project came from the current Big Lake Comprehensive Plan that is in place; a public workshop took place in May 17, 2017. The next one is Sept 28, 2017. After that, March 2018 is the final public meeting. For more information and comments, we were directed to the website: biglakepedestrianstudy.com

See attached project map inserted below:



Grant Committee Update: Yvonne and Sandy discussed this year's process. Beginning tomorrow, the next grant process start and will close on Sept 1, 2017. All applications are due by 9/1/17. The total grant value is \$12,900.00 for 2017 (possibly the last grant cycle depending on state budget). The overall total is \$198,200.00

Grant Committee to meet on Sept 7th for review of all matrix items and grant requests. Then brought back to BLCC to be voted on (Sept 12) for approvals and requests can be made.

Grant Committee nominations for this year's work: Bill Haller, Lois Parker, Dan Mayfield, Ken Walsh, as well as Sandy Baker and Yvonne Ruth.

- 6. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>—Yvonne shared the current budget report:
 - a. Checking \$13,828.90 (\$8752.14 allocated for grants along with the new 2017 amount awarded)
 - b. Savings \$281.26
- 7. <u>Membership Report</u>-- Yvonne presented the current membership report at 79 paid members to date.
- 8. Reports—Assembly, Dan Mayfield--money appropriated for trees at the new roundabout. Lois and the Chamber will complete the details on planting. Also, the Mayor has proposed a 3% sales tax on goods and services to supplement education. Approximately 5 months ago, the School Board came to the assembly presenting a letter for this tax to fund the school deficit. The State came through with budgets this year; the Assembly could not fully fund however. The provision was to fund education to the level of \$55 million dollars, despite the \$59 million dollars requested for full funding. With its \$12 million dollar deficit, the education budget was seeking solutions. The tax includes a \$50 million dollar cap with some relief to property tax payers. But as Dan has said, he would not support a sales tax that does not give property owners tax relief. The Assembly will take this up Aug. 1st. If there is a vote, the Assembly will likely approve this to go to the voters. Dan is proposing 5 Amendments to this ordinance: First Amendment-reduce the tax to 2%. Second Amendment-strike the words "subject to annual appropriation by the Borough Assembly, to demonstrate that the funds will be dedicated to education. Third Amendment-excluding from sales tax: fuel oil, electricity and natural gas (with medical and pharmaceutical already excluded). Fourth Amendment-lowering the cap on education to \$45 million dollars (to ensure a reduction in the mill rate). Fifth Amendment-to strike section 3 preserving the existing Bed Tax and Marijuana Tax.

Big Lake Grade School: none tonight

Fire Service: Chief John Fairchild reported Station 73 is well on its way to development. Sixty volunteers to thank for great service. Five of our staff are heading to Montana on Thurs. for a large fire located there. Don't forget to get your burn permits in front of each station (box located there). We also have a new fireboat-located at Burkshore Marina. It is a trailer jet boat with all rescue capabilities, with seven qualified operators.

Road Service: Bill Haller—July meeting, RAS Board Ride-Around spent time looking at possible projects for road service needs. There are 10 miles of road needing heavy ditching and resurfacing/compacting. Brush cutting is underway for this year. Next meeting is Aug. 9th.

Chamber of Commerce: Margaret spoke to the Community Appreciation Picnic on July 15that the park on Fish Creek, 11am-3pm. And Aug. 5 & 6th is the Summer Fishing Derby. Great sponsors with great prizes. Consider becoming a member—1st and 3rd Monday of the month meetings.

Valley Recycling: Steve Hawk reported that volunteers are needed with continued recycling on Sat/Sun for three hours. There is no fee to recycle. Donations are accepted.

- Correspondence-- State of Alaska updates 2016-2019 Statewide Transportation Improvement Project (STIP) with Amendment 3 being approved on June 28th. To learn more go to: www.dot.alaska.gov/stip
 Also the utility tariff filing –MEA is proposing an overall increase of 2.75% on base rate revenues.
- 10. <u>Land Use and Platting:</u> The subdividing of Big Lake Airport lot with reference (5 acre tract divided into two 2.5 acre lots) to the B7 Updwind Subdivision—this was sent out July 5th. *Case number 2017-075 tech; ph.*
- 11. Persons to be heard— None tonight
- 12. Unfinished Business None tonight
- 13. New Business— October is our election for 4 vacated Board positions. Need a nominating committee: Joe Walsh has volunteered. We are looking for others who will sit on that committee Margaret Billinger volunteered to serve as well, with the need for one more person.
- 14. Announcements—None tonight
- 15. Board Member's Comments—None tonight
- 16. Adjournment-- Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Diane Lada, Secretary

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General Membership Meeting Minutes: Aug 8, 2017

1. Call to Order/Determination of Quorum

This meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm with a quorum established and board members present as follows: Casey Steinau, President-- Sandy Baker, Vice President-- Diane Lada, Secretary-- Yvonne Ruth, Treasurer-- Jennifer Tew, Member-- Margaret Billinger, Member-- Lois Parker, Member.

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance-- group
- 3. Approval of Agenda-- Yvonne made a motion to approve the agenda and Sandy seconded
- 4. Approval of Minutes dated July 11, 2017; Yvonne motioned to approve, Sandy seconded
- 5. Presentation –Butch Shapiro, MSB, Solid Waste Division Manager-Training and management of the Big Lake Transfer Station will require some changes in staffing. Plans are to close the first Weds. of every quarter for regular maintenance. Proposed hours will be 10am-5pm, reducing staff hours by 30 minutes to avoid overtime. The Zero Waste Coalition has gathered recycling interests from Willow, Big Lake, Houston, Talkeetna to keep taxes down for garbage disposal. Includes the plastic bag initiative which takes up 2-3% of landfills. To monitor landfills, for gas and water required \$11,000.00 in 2014. In 2 years, that same monitoring costs went up to \$600,000.00.
- 6. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>—Yvonne shared the current budget report:
 - a. Checking \$11,777.68
 - b. Savings \$281.26
- 7. <u>Membership Report</u>-- Casey presented the current membership report at 78 paid members to date.
- 8. <u>Reports—Grade School-Principal</u>—Kids grade 1-5 are returning to school on Monday. Kindergarten starts on August 21. Water system in getting fixed—boiled water for 10 months, Borough fixed it and awaiting state testing to be finalized and back to normal water use. Pre-K program approved (10 students in the morning and 10 students in the afternoon).

Assembly, Dan Mayfield—The 3% tax for education bill did come up to the Assembly and that was postponed indefinitely. Mr. Beck has given recommendations to develop a group of businessmen, city representatives and educators as an advisory committee for the future of this bill. In addition, last Friday we celebrated the transportation corridor of Flat Lake Access transferring from the Mental Health Trust to the Mat Su Borough for public use. Clean up teams were there for better access and curb appeal.

Fire Service: Chief John Fairchild shared that some of our local firefighters are out in Montana with much needed assistance there. Station 73 is due to completion by December 2017. Increase in vehicle accidents and many gas line incidents—please call 811 for initiation of projects. (ISO rating – the lower the number the lower our insurance rates come in at).

Road Service: Bill Haller— RSA meeting tomorrow at 7pm. Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) to be discussed. The Beaver Lake Road culvert was brought up—engineering gave word that the orange soft fencing is sufficient along with the vegetation to secure the area. Casey discussed bringing up this subject at the BLCC meetings for CIP requests as a priority (new business for next month).

Chamber of Commerce: Margaret spoke to the recent fishing derby, good weather, and reminded us that we cannot fish salmon in Big Lake.

Valley Recycling: Jo Walch- Zero Waste Coalition-meets every month, including recycling interests and commercial carriers. It all comes down to volunteers to make this happen and sustain these projects. Promote recycling in our homes, businesses, and our communities. Serve and join Mid Valley recycling—meeting this Thursday at 6pm at Library. Transport your recycled goods to the station.

Nominating Committee Report: Jo Walch has volunteered to help with nominating. Seats on the Board that are vacated for this upcoming term include: Casey, Yvonne, Jennifer and Sandy. This election on October 8th—to be eligible to vote, have to pay the annual dues (\$10) and attend a meeting.

9. <u>Correspondence—Borough election coming up October 3—Tuesday—Mat Su Election Board needs help to work the polls-6am to 9pm. Applications available on the website Matsu.gov.us/elections or reach out to Jessica Kilbourne.</u>

We received a second response (Rep Newman) to the light introduction at the intersection of Big Lake and Beaver Lake Road. The DOT responded that the intersection ranks as 88th on the safety engineer list. We would need to cover the costs/ utilities of this installation project.

- 10. <u>Land Use and Platting:</u> Modification of the Upwind Project and the CUP for the Green Spot Marijuana facility, with no additional comments (Sarah Williams).
- 11. <u>Persons to be heard—</u> Senator Dave Wilson-Discussed the Mat Su fishery concerns, the North Kenai corridor is closed off; opportunity to discuss new developments with Fish and

Game. In late August, will tour Willow Creek, Montana Creek and Big Lake with fish and game regarding current status in these habitats and fisheries.

Margaret Billinger-Been brought to her attention from residents who are noticing shore erosion along several shorelines. Lake Management plan should field complaints. No enforcement as such, since the lake belongs to the state. Senator Wilson will find out who can assist with shoreline erosion issues.

Clayton Tew- Signed up for Assembly—vote on October 3rd. Included his 40 years of selfemployment and 20 years of working with the Borough, hopes to save Big Lake money and hopes to improve services.

Ken Walch- encourage more active participation by BLCC in community affairs. Two issues: Shoreline maintenance and the bridge structure at Beaver Lakes Road culvert—needs support and attention from council, for pedestrian and car traffic safety. The fence is temporary at best—75% of fence came down with snowplow activity. This cause needs council's assistance for safety hazards. Casey encouraged this to be on the agenda for next month. Ken also discussed attention to the Big Lake Airport master plan. The only place for commercial development is on the north end of the airport. A subdivision came up—easement for roadway and taxiway—with no control for automobiles and airplanes allowing a bad combination for safety.

Dan Mayfield- Election equation, included why we should vote for Dan? Integral community member since 2007, including comprehensive planning, trails, transportation director, president of chamber of commerce, VP of BLCC. He looks to build partnerships in the community, with people-centered programs, safety, infrastructure, education.

Floyd Chilanski, spoke of law enforcement issues in our community. With 1700 incidents requiring law enforcement, two troopers were assigned to Big Lake, with overall good outcomes. BLCC needs to be involved and stand up to opioids/drugs, theft, vandalism, etc. Video cameras are not enough. Challenged our elected officials to take a stand.

- 12. <u>Unfinished Business—</u> None tonight
- 13. New Business None
- 14. Announcements—Alaska Wild Bird Rehab Center-fundralser-Sept 23rd, Best Western Lake Lucille.
- 15. Board Member's Comments— None tonight

16. Adjournment-Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted, Diane Lada, Secretary



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General Membership Meeting Minutes: Oct 10, 2017

1. Call to Order/Determination of Quorum

This meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm with a quorum established and board members present as follows: Casey Steinau, President-- Sandy Baker, Vice President-- Diane Lada, Secretary-- Yvonne Ruth --Margaret Billinger, Member-- Lois Parker, Member.

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance-- group
- 3. <u>Approval of Agenda--</u> Margaret made a motion to approve the agenda and Yvonne seconded
- 4. <u>Approval of Minutes</u> dated Aug 8, 2017 and Sept 12th (Jennifer Tew (absent) who completed the Sept 12, 2017 minutes is unavailable. Yvonne motioned to approve minutes 8/8/17, Margaret seconded.
- 5. Election of Board Members (4 positions open, 3 assumed positions remain, Diane Lada, Margaret Billinger, and Lois Parker) Casey reviewed the election process with 4 vacant positions and 4 incoming candidate. Those members presenting for election include: Cindy Bettine, Steve Hawk, Yvonne Ruth, and Sandy Baker with introductions. Margaret Billinger (current member) motioned to accept the four new nominees by acclamation. Votes for approval were unanimous. Board will meet after the current council meeting for establishing new positions.
- 6. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>—Yvonne shared the current budget report:
 - a. Checking \$10,812.49
 - b. Savings \$281.34
- 7. <u>Membership Report</u>-- Casey presented the current membership report at 85 paid members to date.
- 8. Reports—Grade School-Principal—Sandy Baker read the update from Bre Reintsma: "Camp Read A Lot" was a huge success, thanks to our community partners and dedicated staff/families. Oct 21st is our first Fun Run, open to the public. Oct 23rd to the 27th is Red Ribbon Week celebration. Oct 27th is the Fall Festival.

Assembly, Dan Mayfield—updated the council members regarding the latest Assembly election vote count (unofficial) for Clayton Tew 677 and Dan Mayfield 695. Those counts will

go to the Assembly to be certified on 10/17/17 then the official swearing-in is 10/21/17. Thanked our voters, especially 25% of Big Lake participation.

Fire Service: Chief John Fairchild--Updated 65 runs this month with 4 structure fires, along with rescue medical. Credit to our 60 volunteer firemen. Waiting list for new volunteers. Eight openings with 17 applicants. October is Fire Prevention Month—working with our schools and community. Station 73 had an interior walk-through inspection with January grand opening. Spruce bark beetle has hit hard in our areas (off Red Shirt Lake moving West.) This adds to our fire danger. Meeting coming up Oct 12th at Big Lake Library (6-8pm). Protect the health of your trees in your forest. Signs also available for identification of your property—if we can't see you, we can't find you and help our residents. Help identify your driveways/properties!

Road Service: Bill Kramer—He and the Board (consists of Bill Haller and Mike Kangas as well)—Last meeting of the year, tomorrow at 6:30pm. Contractor finishing up getting chips, putting them in place and marking culverts. Finalize CIP projects with road maintenance funds. Ryan's Creek (450K) project to be done next year. Recycled asphalt is on the CIP list (aggressive ditching and re-crowning has been completed) and after that d1, paving and RAP have been considered. Laid, watered and compacted with road oil on top, and it is sustainable and reliable. Performs similar to asphalt and will apply this to about 3-5 mile application for next year. Also will look at a pedestrian hazard area at Beaver Lake/Meadow Creek for structure support.

Chamber of Commerce: Margaret mentioned the coming Christmas season and the parade is planned--Dec 2nd—donate or sponsor a float. Light up your businesses and decorate Big Lake.

Grants Committee: Yvonne noted that she did put a request in for the Grant money and has not heard back from the Borough yet. We will discuss the earmarked grant funds of \$10,000.00 at next month's meeting.

Mid Valley Recycling: Jo noted that the Grant money given included about \$300.00 used to buy recycling tubs for Big Lake School to recycle papers. They are excited to get recycling and are happy to participate. She supported and thanked all the recycling volunteers.

- 9. <u>Correspondence—</u>Requests from Big Lake Elementary need sponsors for Trunk or Treat event held at the Rec Center. My House in Wasilla (service the Mat Su Borough) service youth who are homeless, offering them a hand up and not a hand out. They are requesting support -looking to raise 50k with a matching grant.
- 10. <u>Land Use and Platting</u>—Notice received regarding Land Su Subdivision to adjust the common lot line between government lot 18 & 16. Property has been discussed for approx. 5 years between Mirror Lake and Flat Lake. Request is from the Borough, for a modified lot line. Public hearing is Nov. 16th.

11. <u>Persons to be heard—</u> Jo Walch- Complimented the wonderful events for our youth. The library programs are exceptional along with our church programs. Let's look at our youth and try to help them.

Eugene Carl Haberman-Meeting attender and noted that our voice is difficult to be heard when some of our community council meetings are held on the same dates as our Assembly meetings. The certification of elections is important as well. Maintain transparency and advertise our elections and when our Boards meet so others can observe. Verify our memberships before passing motions and engage our community with future council activities.

Floyd Shilanski-- Served over 7,500 meals last year for kids. Including meals for anyone under the age of 18, starting in January/February, these are free. On Oct 21 doing a fundraiser at the Grandview Hotel-money will be divided between rotaries and will be shared for Kids Don't Float and the other half goes to Cupboards for Kids.

- 12. <u>Unfinished Business</u>— Asked the Borough to address concerns at the Beaver Lake Rd Bridge at Meadow Creek. Resolution is sent to Terry Dolan at Public Works Division. Ken Walsh helped with gathering an estimate for costs from Wasilla Fence. Estimated costs were \$2800.00 and Ken estimated with engineering costs around \$5000.00. Culvert was installed by Fish and Wildlife (Federal funded) and their response to requests, based on engineering input—they feel they already comply by using the orang snow fencing is suitable. Suggestion from the Borough is they expect money on the new revenue sharing (grant funds)—approx. \$14,958.00 should cover it. Without earmarks anymore, felt they will not be able to support federally. RSA may be a source; but will be discussed at the next meeting tomorrow. Recommendation: Give this request, by letter sent from council to Congressman Don Young, Senator Murkowski, Senator Sullivan and Senator Wilson, Rep Newman, and ask for support. Members added comments for making this structure support happen and fix it. Sandy motioned for the funding by letter to our representatives:
- 13. New Business— Motion made to support the \$75,00 gold level for the school's trunk or treat event. Also, in support of My House fundraiser a motion was made to help with \$200.00 through our grants.
- 14. <u>Announcements—Lions Hockey Dinner coming Oct 21 with tickets available.</u>
- 15. <u>Board Member's Comments— Jennifer Tew sent a message that she enjoyed serving our community through council.</u> Congrats to Dan Mayfield for Assembly position. Casey thanked the members for their support over the years.

16. Adjournment-- Meeting adjourned at 8,21 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted Diane Lada, Secretary



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General Membership Meeting Minutes: Dec 12, 2017

1. Call to Order/Determination of Quorum

This meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm with a quorum established and board members present as follows: Sandy Baker, President - Cindy Bettine, Vice President -- Diane Lada, Secretary-- Margaret Billinger, Member-- Lois Parker, Member-- Steven Hawk, Member-Yvonne Ruth, Treasurer (absent).

Reminder: to be eligible to vote, need to be a member in good standing, paid dues and attended one meeting for the year. Membership dues needed for the New Year.

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance-- group
- 3. Approval of Agenda—Diane made a motion to approve the agenda and Margaret seconded
- 4. Approval of Minutes October 10, 2017 minutes approved tonight with updates-motion made by Margaret and Lois seconded for final approval. For the November 14, 2017 minutes reviewed without editions Margaret motioned to approve, Lois seconded.
- 5. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>—Sandy shared the current budget report:
 - a. Checking \$18, 315.23 (Note: Does include all grant money that has been promised out)
 - b. Savings \$281.34
- 6. Membership Report -- Sandy presented the current membership report at 90 paid members to date.
- 7. Reports—State Legislators- Senator David Wilson reported on the most recent special session in Juneau—the Senate did not have the opportunity to complete a repeal of the crime bill. The MatSu delegation has a retreat with 9 of the delegates and one of the priorities is the crime issues in our communities. Starting Dec 9th, the capital budget projects are prioritized and final requests are due by Feb 9th. The Borough and MatSu Delegation are having a town hall meeting scheduled Jan 2nd from 9am to 3pm, with public testimony. Also focusing on Big Lake Road prioritization from a level 3 to a level 2 for prompt main corridor snow removal.

Assembly and Big Lake Schools: No proxy report, due to tonight's joint Assembly and School Board meeting at the Borough, those representatives are not available tonight.

Fire Service: Kathy Cramer, spoke of the most recent Fire Service meeting where budgets were the main topic. Considering Station 73, which is under construction on the Parks Highway, and due to many unknowns, the budget has some open-ended gaps to be determined. One of the CIP projects for 2018 includes a new all-terrain fire truck to be used at Station 72. All maintenance equipment will be housed in the new fire station 73, with its own fulltime Borough maintenance manager, servicing over 400 borough vehicles. Another station on Spring Street will become the fulltime medic's overnight sleeping quarters, and will be titled Station 79. Working on annexation at W. Susitna and Puriton Parkway (there are 266 properties involved) able to get 51% of signatures so far yet needing more to respond for service. There is a property already acquired in this area for a future station as annexation progresses.

Chamber of Commerce: Margaret thanked everyone who attended the parade last week and to Bill Hallor for hosting the post parade celebration. She also noted that the Chamber Board members are at a minimum and they may take a break for awhile in attempts to recruit new volunteers.

Valley Recycling: Steve Hawk—Regular hours are still in place Saturday and Sunday 12noon to 3pm. Looking for new volunteers as well to assist with onsite coverage.

Road Service: Bill Kramer—shared the Borough Road Service Hotline- 861-7755 monitored 24 hours for reporting unsafe conditions, especially those roads in need of sand/conditions coverage; note the crossroads when calling this number and they should respond by the next day (this number is NOT for driveway maintenance). The CIP list was approved by the Assembly with \$1.1 million total funded for all projects such as Ryan's Creek (with three-- ie. Paving Simms Rd, design Echo Lake Rd, design Muskrat St, Musk Ox, Martin St-- other projects/roads/engineering budgeted at \$75K per section) fortunately estimates are coming in at \$30K, with the monies staying in the RSA; therefore, the surplus can fund other plans. Continued planning for using recycled asphalt, at considerably less cost, plus with dust control benefits, we get 50% paid for by the Borough.

8. Presentation —Carlos Gomez, President of the Scotty Gomez Foundation, shared the latest video marketing presentation for this year's 2018 Last Frontier Pond Hockey Tournament held at Big Lake, Alaska in front of Burkeshore Marina. The Scotty Gomez Foundation (12 years strong) subsidizes 175 hockey players in Anchorage, with donations to the Valley and State grants, so that kids can play the game in a house league setting. They are taught the game, assisted with gear and supported in an ongoing community effort with the help of Carlos and his family. Many of the players have gone on to the highest level in the state. With this foundation, after sponsoring the event at Goose Lake in the past, though money was lost, Burkeshore Marina, c/o Nick and Katie Gittlein, graciously offered to help partner in this circuit event for future tournaments. This year's event is March 9 to 12 round robin double elimination style play on 13 hockey rinks on Big Lake, with live bands, aerial fireworks, great food, beer garden and more. They are currently looking for sponsors, especially from the Valley. Visit www.akpond.com for more information.

- Correspondence—The Big Lake Pedestrian Improvement Study was sent to our members for review. Survey is to be completed by each resident, see link. In addition, a link to the Airport Master Plan was available for your review and deadline for comments is Dec. 20, 2017. The notice of utility tariff filing was referenced by attachment in the BLCC email. And finally, yesterday we received a Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility license application again from Andrew C. Murr (original submission Jan. 2017).
- 10. <u>Land Use and Platting:</u> Along with these notifications, the preliminary plat for Lamb-Su Subdivision and variance from the MSB was approved, dated November 22, 2017.
- 11. <u>Persons to be heard—</u> Lori Boltz: Reflected on the previous movement to stop the development of a limited Marijuana Cultivation facility in her back yard by Andrew Murr. Requesting that the letter of objection from the Big Lake Community Council be resubmitted to the Alcohol and Marijuana Control office.

Greg Quinton: Stated that for the past month or so, he has been involved in opportunities to get to know the Big Lake Comprehensive Plan a bit more, especially as it applies to a gravel pit that he and his neighbors are not interested in near the lake. It has been proposed that we address and update the BL Comp Plan: Alaska Statute Title 29, Chapter 40 section 030b. The statement reads "to update as necessary or at 5 years" with the last edition in 2009. Proposes the BLCC use this forum to consider this update.

John Bitney: He and his wife own property by the airport and considering the Master Plan, the final comments are soon to close. A 20-year projection for development and possible federal funds for this expansion will come with some strings attached. If the new project is fenced at the perimeter, it will be difficult to taxi on the runway as many have done. A bigger issue is recommending the Hughs Homestead Rd and Oscar Anderson extension will be fenced off. If this is done, we are asking that we still have access to the runway. We ask the council to recognize access and develop a process to come to an agreement.

12. <u>Unfinished Business—</u> 1) *Big Lake Road priority level for maintenance and plowing*—
considering the draft resolution that was sent by email. Cindy Bettine presented a motion
to accept the resolution as submitted and Margaret seconded. It is summarized as
follows: The BLCC seeks reclassification of the Big Lake/S. Big Lake Rd (including
Hollywood Road which is an alternate evacuation route) maintenance/snow removal
priority level 3 to priority level 2. This is based on traffic counts, population and location
of Borough emergency services/school base/and commercial business district. Whereas
BL Rd is at 52.3 MM of the Parks Highway, and town center at mile 4. And population
increase is by 9% (3655) and access to Houston schools (Middle and HS) are within this
district. Whereas 30% of the workforce in the MatSu commute to Anchorage from these
stated districts. Traffic counts comparatively, are higher in Big Lake than surrounding
communities. Snowfall is higher in Big Lake at 50 inches (like Willow 70 inches—needs to
be verified) compared to other communities and a popular recreational destination for so
many. *Vote is as follows: those in favor=unanimous, those opposed=none; passed.

2) The Public Safety Action Plan was revisited as presented by Representative Mark Neuman at our previous meeting. Of specific interest was the importance of expanding communities to develop Neighborhood Watch Programs to monitor themselves in a more vigilant manner. The previous minutes (dated Nov 14, 2017) reflect the four main areas of focus with summary statements. An update specific to Crime Watch Programs was presented by Mr. Neuman in a letter to the BLCC summarized here. He states, Governor Walker and his administration recently released their "State of Alaska Public Safety Action Plan." In Section II of the plan, they make a small mention of expanding opportunities for communities to help themselves through crime watch-type programs."

"9-Reach out to community partners to explore options to expand citizen crime watch program and other locally driven solutions to deter crime and improve public safety." Many constituents have spoken to him on how important this one step could be in stopping crime in our neighborhoods. Such programs will put additional eyes in our communities reporting suspicious activities enabling law enforcement to respond quickly and prevent or deter criminal acts. As he has stated before, "there is little detail on resources available to communities for such programs. To better answer questions on how to access and partner with local law enforcement, he is requesting the Administration provide clarification on how they plan to expand citizen crime watch programs, are there other locally driven solutions being proposed, and who should individual and groups contact to get information and set up programs in their neighborhood. After discussions, Margaret made a motion for a letter to be written developing a Neighborhood Watch under the BLCC guidance seeking any available resources ongoing; Lois seconded. Funding as it relates to unfilled Trooper positions remains ambiguous, needing clarity. *Vote is as follow: In favor=14 Opposed=10 (Passed--Resolution to be written in support of Crime Watch development)

- 13. New Business— 1) Addressing the Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility License # 11804 came before this council earlier in the year and a letter of objection to its development was established. Cindy Bettine made a motion that the BLCC resend their letter of objection dated June 1, 2017 to the Marijuana Licensing Board along with the Dec 5th notification by A. Murr stating that the BLCC has not changed its stance in objection of issuing this license as stated. Diane seconded this motion; *Vote as follows: In favor of resending objection letter=17 Opposed=3 (Passed)
 - 2) Big Lake Pedestrian Improvement Study --motion made by Cindy Bettine for the BLCC to send a letter to the contractors in this study in support of the draft recommendations where crossings between N Shore Dr & Hollywood Dr, signage, lighting, pathway extension to connect subdivisions on east side of BL Rd/South Rec Site/East Lk Mall/Big Lake Rec Center/Fish Creek Bridge and intersection improvements accordingly. It was discussed that there is a need for speed limit reassignment for this corridor to safely accommodate pedestrian-friendly/non-vehicle crosswalk traffic. *Vote as follows: In favor of sending amended letter for pedestrian friendly improvements-unanimous Opposed-n/a (Passed)

- 3) Airport Master Plan—Motion made by Cindy, that BLCC write a formal letter to the Airport Master planners to help develop the airport for the next 20 years. Consideration be made for current access on the southside of the airport for residents using Hughs Homestead Rd & on the N. Side/Tailwind Circle Dr. as a dedicated taxi way that requires a through-fence gate for access to runways. Second from Margaret. Discussions shared resafety for surrounding businesses/residences. Ken shared missed opportunities with this project that should be addressed. Access from a mix of private hangars and businesses/surface vehicle access/airplane traffic as well, are unusual to say the least—this may be a set up for unsafe conditions. A taskforce/comprehensive plan is recommended for a working plan that is made up by the State Division of Aviation, Borough Planning and landowners as a minimum. Vote as follows: In favor of the amended letter transfer=17 Opposed=4 (Passes)
- 14. Announcements— None tonight
- 15. <u>Board Member's Comments</u>— Cindy-Inquired if there was any grant committee money for the Gomez Foundation, in support of the Pond Hockey Tournament hosted in Big Lake coming in March? We are encouraged to address the updating of our BL Comprehensive Plan. Lois stated a congratulations on our Christmas lights and decorations around town. Diane thanked Carlos Gomez for his partnership in Big Lake with this foundation work. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year everyone!
- 16. Adjournment-- Meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted, Diane Lada, Secretary



Meeting Minutes

April 5,2018 7:00pm Upper Susitna Senior & Community Center

- I. Establish Quorum Trevor Walters, Donna Dearman, Buddy Giddens, Herman Thompson, Sheena Fort, Ned Sparks, Dona Marie Malhiot-Launbhan, Kelly Thomas.
- II. Call Meeting to Order 7:02pm
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Approval of Meeting Agenda
 - a. Motion by: Herman Thompson
 - b. 2nd by: Donna Dearman
 - C.
- V. Approval of March 1, 2018 Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion by: Herman Thompson
 - b. 2nd by: Donna Dearman
 - c. Unanimous
- VI. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Checking Account \$9944.64
 - b. Savings Account \$225.13
- VII. Persons to be Heard (suggested 3 minutes each)
 - a. Cassi Campbell- Public relations supervisor for MEA discussed their 2018 project plans. Cassi will be organizing a meeting with MEA representatives for community questions and concerns at an upcoming Susitna Community council meeting. MEA will also have a representative at the Talkeetna Community Council meeting on May 7, 2018.
 - Kelly Thomas- Informed the board about the Earth day event and its activities on April 22, 2018 being held in Talkeetna at the Sheldon Community Arts Hangar 12-4pm.
 - c. Ty Shook- Brought up concerns on logging in the Upper Valley. He will bring plans and proposals he has to the next meeting.
- VIII. Correspondence
 - a. Vern Gunter- Alaska Skunkworks LLC
 - b. Sharon Thompson- Aurora Borealis Cannabis Co.



c. MSB- Conditional Use Permit, Earth Materials Extraction Activities

IX.	Committee	and	Governmental	Reports

- a. Road Service Areas (15 & 29) N/A
- b. Borough Assembly Update Looking to log the "Bad areas" in hopes to prevent forest fires. Randell believes it will help fund the Port and gain more tax breaks for the community.
- c. Grant Expenditure Committee Up The i. Motion by Dona Marie Malhiot-Launbhan

 - ii. 2nd by Sheena Fort
 - iii. Unanimous
 - iv. Abstained from voting: Herman Thompson, Donna Dearman, Ned Sparks & Buddy Giddens.
 - v. Eligible votes: Trevor Walters, Dona Marie Malhiot-Launbhan, Sheena Fort & Kelly Thomas.
- d. Bylaws Committee N/A
- e. Ways & Means Committee Review proposed budget submitted by Herman Thompson. (table until fall)
- f. Cemetery Committee Larry met with Mousey about 27 acres available in Montana Creek. A walk through will need to be done to check integrity of the property. Larry will announce details when he returns.
- g. Election Committee N/A

X. Old Business

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XI. **New Business**

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XII. Adjournment - 8:02pm Januar 5/3/2018 Herman 5/3/2018 TWI tubs