

MEETING

Held 6:30 pm Thursday October 17, 2019 at West Lakes Fire Station #79, Spring Street

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IN ATTENDANCE:

RSA #

RSA Members Present

09-Midway	Dan Tucker P		
14-Fairview	Dan Elliott P		
15-Caswell Lakes	DJ McBride P		
16-South Colony		Phillip Cobb tc	
17-Knik			
19-Lazy Mountain			
20-Greater Willow	Tom Phillips P		
21-Big Lake			
23-North Colony			
25-Bogard		Jennifer Noffke	
26-Greater Butte	Mike Shields P		
27-Meadow Lakes	Stephen Edwards P tc		
28-Gold Trails			
29-Greater Talkeetna			
30-Trapper Creek	Donna Massay P tc		
31-Alpine		Jay Levan tc	

tc = by teleconference P = Primary

RSAs not represented: Knik (17), Lazy Mtn (19), Big Lake (21), North Colony (23), Gold Trails (28), and Greater Talkeetna (29).

MSB Staff: Public Works: Terry Dolan, Director

Borough Staff (other than Public Works): Ben Coleman, Planning; John Moosey, Manager

Borough Mayor: None

Assembly Representatives: None

Visitors: None

CALL TO ORDER at 6:30 pm, with Pledge of Allegiance, Secretary Mike Shields presiding (Chair Stephen Edwards on telecom phone).

ROLL CALL and QUORUM DETERMINATION: 10 of 16 RSAs represented. Quorum was met.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of August 15, 2019, approved as written.

TRAINING: Ben Coleman gave a presentation on Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO's), with a print handout of a PowerPoint on the subject (Mike will see that it gets to all RSAs). A Borough MPO may be required for the "core area" as a result of the 2020 census; if the population is found high enough it would make Borough roads in that core area eligible for federal matching funds, at a 9.3% Borough (ie., RSA's) minimum match. The MPO is a federal mandate for obtaining such funds, the Governor must recognize the MPO, and state DOT would be the funds administering entity. Discussion followed, including the possible need to consolidate all or part of the RSAs within the MPO boundary, complications with roads that extend beyond the MPO boundary, the MPO structure (MSB + Palmer + Wasilla + DOT + DEC) and the resulting competition for the funding, and the challenge for even consolidated

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RSAs to come up with the match amount. Ben and John Moosey stressed that this is all “preliminary thinking” and open to lots of future tweaks; MPO implementation is unlikely before 2023.

STAFF REPORTS:

A. O&M: Terry Dolan: CIP projects status report emailed to all today. Construction-season work is done, and we’re moving into winter mode, sand/chips/salt being delivered and distributed to out-lying staging areas like Big Lake.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

TAB: Dan Elliott reported that no TAB meeting has occurred since September. Discussion followed about the makeup of the Subdivision Construction Manual re-write team, and the competition between developer members and resident/maintenance members to either weaken or strengthen the Manual requirements.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Assembly approval of new quorum requirement: Seven (7) RSAs is the official number.

B. Distribution of projects for the remaining \$1.7 million in dust control reserve: Terry has emailed the new list to all RSAs.

C. Impacts of changing the contracts’ brushing season as requested by the Alaska Wildlife Rehabilitation Center to protect nesting birds: Terry said O&M still does not have cost-impact figures since that could take several years to determine. Brief discussion followed; Mike noted that it would take only one fatality accident due to lack of sight distance to settle this issue.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Do we need a Resolution to the TAB Resolution regarding roadside paths?: Discussion was in favor of the idea in theory but worried about the additional cost given very limited RSA budgets; the TAB Resolution could only benefit from a supporting Resolution by this Board, and consensus was that no Resolution was most appropriate for now.

B. Impacts of new MSB “no overtime” policy on RSA Boards meetings: Discussion, with Steve Edwards complaining particularly about Sup’t Sanderson not being at his RSA’s last meeting due to being on Administrative Leave. There is no Code requirement that a Sup’t be present for an RSA Board to hold a public meeting. John Moosey assured the Board that there are policy waivers for both winter emergency work and the RSA Board’s meetings; Terry Dolan requested that it be put in writing.

C. Administrative Leave and replacement hire status for Sup’t Sanderson: Steve Edwards asked, and Terry responded that the position has been advertised but the first applicants were all found to be unqualified, so the application period has been extended 2 weeks; as to the Administrative Leave question, that’s a personnel matter and cannot be discussed in a public meeting. Steve noted that despite assurances to the contrary, and no notification, no O&M member showed up at his last 2 meetings; he would like to see improvement in this line of communication.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD: None

CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION: None

OTHER BUSINESS: Mike Shields said that per Terry, Eileene Probasco (Planning Director) has promised to include this Board in the review of the Subdivision Construction Manual draft presented by the re-write team. He also noted that Board Officers election is on our Agenda for November.

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BOARD COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Dan Tucker moved, Tom Phillips seconded; meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, November 21, 2019 at the West Lakes Fire Station #73, 1250 Spring Drive.

Board Chair 

Board Secretary 

FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION
MINUTES
Lower Level Conference Room-DSJ Building-Palmer AK
September 19, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order by Mike Wood at 5:05pm

Members present: Mike Wood, Andy Couch, Howard Delo, Larry Engel, Dan Mayfield, Jim Sykes, Amber Allen, Bob Chlupach, and Bruce Knowles.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Howard Delo made a motion to approve the Agenda of September 19, 2019; Larry Engel seconded.

VOTE: Agenda Approved Unanimously

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. May 16, 2019

MOTION: Larry Engel made a motion to approve the Minutes of May 16, 2019; Dan Mayfield seconded.

AMENDMENTS: Jim Sykes stated Todd Smolden's name was spelled incorrectly.

VOTE: Minutes Approved, as corrected, Unanimously

IV. AUDIENCE INTRODUCTIONS & PARTICIPATION (3 minutes per person at chair's discretion)

1. John Wood, Board of Fisheries Commissioner:

Things to bring to Board's attention – Upper Cook Inlet Stock of concerns in Susitna; Consolidation of the various streams into; Whiskey Creek and other creeks that no longer have good runs of fish – need historical data (comments from people that live or have fished on these lakes) maybe MSB can start a base; prioritize what goals are coming out of BOF meetings – let him know ahead of the meeting.

Would like feedback from Board.

Discussion ensued.

2. Stephanie Nowers, Member of the Public (Kepler-Bradley Lakes), running for Assembly seat District 2 – Matthew Beck's seat (he is terming out). Provided a history of her experience with fish. (Ted Eischeid brought up that Tam Boeve, Assembly member, is interested in becoming a member of the board as one of the Assembly seats).

3. Amber Allen, FWC, introduced herself as a new member of the board; provided a brief history of her experience – husband was on the board.

Bob Chlupach, FWC, introduced himself as a new member of the board – ex-Fish & Game employee; provided a little history of his experience.

V. STAFF/AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

- a. Presentation: Economic Contribution of recreational fishing in the Mat-Su Borough – Southwick Associates.

Lisa Bragg, Southwick Associates provided a presentation on the Economic Contribution of Recreational Fishing in the Mat-Su Borough.

Discussion:

Andy – Estimated Tax Revenue...how was that configured; Lisa – came from specific to the Borough information.

Howard – Commercial industry will say “we are worth “x million dollars” a year; if we wanted to say the MSB industry is worth “...” by adding \$57.4M (Direct Spending), \$14.3M (Income) and \$5.9M (Local & State Taxes)...., is that accurate: Lisa – the Total affects output \$46M would be the number to use. Howard – the commercial guys include the value of fish, boats, fuel, groceries, etc. – which would be adding \$57.4M (Direct Spending), \$14.3M (Income) and \$5.9M (Local & State Taxes) that would be the closest we could get. These will be discussions at the BOF.

Andy – Piece of information for Howard, as well, when we talk about recreational fishing in the Mat-Su – we’re not just talking about salmon, but also trout, char, etc.

Mike – Tax stuff –are you taking actual taxes in the borough (sales, property, and boat tax) as an example? Lisa – We don’t get down to that level of specifics. We are relying on the information on the IMPLAN model. Mike – as far as fish processing goes, commercial fishing may add processing – what we have is really small – in fact, there are very limited processing expenditures in sport fishing. Commercial fisheries applies a massive processing economic input. How did you deal with processing? Lisa – this came from the 2017 survey when we asked anglers about processing.

Jim – the tax information came from your model...we do have a bed tax was that put into the model? Lisa – we did not make any adjustments for that.

John Wood – follow up on Howard. What is the value to the recreational fisheries to the State of Alaska and

Mike Wood – Commercial fisheries are adding the taxes and processing – this will really ramp their number up. Lisa – what I can do is go back to the 2017 study and determine what is the job value that is created and then figure out the amount specific to the borough and share that with Ted.

Larry Engel – methodology you used for 2017 MSB fishery values; did you happen to use your methodology to compare to the 2009 ISER study? Lisa – we did not go back into the data. Larry – is that something that would be difficult to do? Lisa – let me give that some thought.

Larry Engel – thanked staff for getting this report and for the hyperlinks and paper copies to read prior to the meeting.

b. Staff report

Ted provided his staff report...

i. Southwick Associates Economics of Sportfishing on the Cook Inlet Region report:

Compared to the 2009 ISER report for the Mat-Su Borough (using 2007 data, and adjusting that to 2017 dollars for comparison to the 2017 SA report), we see a reduction of 59% between 2007 & 2017 in direct spending within the MSB, and in Angler days a 47% reduction – the latter trend was going down in 2010 & 2014 as well; sportfishing employment decreased 60% from 2007 to 2017 (1,180 jobs to 474 jobs); when you look at MSB there has been quite a drop in economic impact from 2007 to 2017. It appears that lowered fish returns to the MSB has had a significant economic impact on the Borough.

Bruce: We need to look at the number of fish returning.

Ted to provide the talking points on the report for October meeting.

Bob: This is a fine avenue to link to the stock of concerns.

ii. Elodea: Initial treatments on Alexander and Sucker Lakes went well.

iii. Planning Department: Gave an update on our employment dilemmas. Advised that there is no “Environmental Planner” in the MSB. Bruce Knowles stated we need someone who knows economics, salmon, and are familiar with the local area.

iv. NPFMC: Have a meeting in Homer: Jim Sykes has interest as he will no longer be on the FWC (he submitted a letter of resignation effective at the end of this meeting).

v. Wetlands Conservation Ordinance: Ted and Alex Strawn will be working on this.

vi. Mat-Su Salmon Habitat Partnership: Update about the USFWS Principal Deputy Director, Margaret Everson’s experience with the meeting and tour; Cottonwood Creek site tour – Andy Couch stated it was a good opportunity to network, it was impressive; Mike Wood spoke about the MSB area site tour with the new BOF members; Salmon Symposium is November 13 & 14th – would like to see FWC members there – would love to see a presentation.

vii. BOF: Proposal book is available; update on internal meetings, budget, and identifying allies. Discussion regarding hotel stay and how important it is to have ASB members, Mayor, and other local elected officials present. Northern District Set Netters could be an ally.

VI. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

a. BOF cycle preparation: Needs, Tasks, & Calendar

MOTION: ***Bruce Knowles made a motion for a subcommittee of Bruce Knowles and Bob Chlupach to research historical fish returns on MSB streams per John Wood’s remark earlier under audience introductions; Dan Mayfield seconded.***

VOTE: Motion Approved Unanimously

MOTION: *Howard Delo made a motion for a meeting to be set up with ADF&G this fall; Andy Couch seconded.*

VOTE: Motion Approved Unanimously

MOTION: *Larry Engel made a motion that the FWC formally request the finalized memo of salmon stock of concern recommendations and oral report concerning escapement goals from ADF&G that they referenced in a 3/26/19 ADF&G memo; Dan Mayfield seconded.*

VOTE: Motion Approved Unanimously

Discussion regarding a formal consistent message of how the MSB FWC will present at the BOF meeting in February.

VII. MEMBER COMMENTS

Bob Chlupach

Howard Delo – Welcome to Amber and Bob, hopefully this meeting has not scared you. Written comments are due October 8th for the BOF work session on October 23 & 24.

Dan Mayfield - NC

Larry Engel -

Amber Allen – will be in Hawaii for next meeting

Bruce Knowles - NC

Andy Couch – plenty of things to work on and will spread myself real thin. Stated that you can call in to a meeting if needed.

Mike Wood – More fish have come through in the MSB then we have had in previous years. Getting rid of two weirs next year – only keeping Larson weir. Pleased with efforts that we saw with ADF&G this year and happy they didn't get hit as hard as other departments in their budget. Hopefully we can use this in the BOF meeting. I think it was good fishing season this year for the Northern District.

VIII. NEXT REGULAR MEETING – THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17TH – AGENDA AND PRESENTATION IDEAS

IX. ADJOURNMENT @ 8:04pm

MOTION: Howard Delo made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Larry Engel.

VOTE: Motion Approved Unanimously

Howard Delo for
Mike Wood, Chair

11-21-19
Date

ATTEST:

Ted Eischeid
Ted Eischeid, MSB Planner II

11/21/19
Date

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- I. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL
Meeting called to order at 5:01 P.M.
Members present: Andy Couch, Howard Delo, Larry Engel, Dan Mayfield, Tam Boeve, Robert Chlupach, Mike Wood and Bruce Knowles.
Members Absent: Amber Allen (excused).
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
MOTION: Dan Mayfield moved to approve the Agenda; Larry Engel seconded.
Motion approved unanimously.
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
1. September 19, 2019
MOTION: Howard Delo moved to approve the minutes; Dan Mayfield seconded.
DISCUSSION: Andy Couch asked if the statement on page 2, paragraph 7 was accurate. Staff to review audio. Motion tabled to next meeting. FOLLOWUP – STAFF REVIEWED, RECORD WAS CORRECTED ACCORDING TO AUDIO REVIEW.
- IV. AUDIENCE INTRODUCTIONS & PARTICIPATION (3 minutes per person at chair's discretion)
 1. Stephanie Nowers, running for Assembly District 2. There are two forums scheduled:
 - a. Evangelos at noon, October 18, 2019
 - b. Palmer Senior Center at 1:30 P.M., October 19, 2019.
 2. Jim Sykes, We need some serious new allies before BOF. UCIDA newsletter stating something about *dead fish in the MSB*; would like this found ([LINK](#)). Need to be prepared for attacks from UCIDA. There are measures that we should talk about regarding restoration/conservation; these should be brought up at NPFMC in a proactive manner. I will be presenting as opening speaker at the Salmon Symposium on November 13- 14 and may call on Fish and Wildlife members for ideas.
 3. John Wood brought up recent developments:
 - a. NPFMC CISC presents a danger to us in the form of a motion in court that commercial fishing has introduced. They are asking federal standards to be applied everywhere the fish are found. Follow Jim's advice.
 - b. The Matanuska-Susitna Fish and Wildlife Commission should use data to support the MSB interests.
Discussion: Larry Engel stated: "we should become involved in the NPFMC meetings and make it very clear that there is a very important – we need to do more.

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V. STAFF/AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

1. Ted Eischeid gave a report on:
 1. BOF Items for Consideration
 2. Important dates
 3. BOF Proposal Book
 4. BOF Consultant update – Mac Minard
 5. Facilitation services available for your work
 6. Adding Agenda items – best practices
 7. Packet content review

VI. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. BOF cycle preparation-60 Minutes
 - a. Goals, Priorities, Needs, Tasks, Messages, Allies.

Discussion ensued.

Goals List presented:

- a. Maintain Conservation Corridor
 - i. Improve the Management Strategy as a bullet
 - ii. Stock of Concerns
 - iii. Allocation Issues
- b. Stock of Concerns
- c. Limit Commercial Drift Gillnet Fishery
- d. Personal Use Fishery, Maintain or extend personal use fishing opportunity for Alaskan residents of the Northern District who choose to harvest salmon with net gear.

MOTION: Larry Engel moved for the following primary goals; improve the conservation corridor and the management action that governs this conservation corridor; and continue to protect stocks of concern; Dan Mayfield seconded.

Motion approved unanimously.

Discussion: Mike: We need fish numbers of what is coming into our rivers. We need data for management; we need to be conservative with Northern District Management Plan.

Andy: Wants to see King Salmon management plans.

Dan Mayfield and Bruce Knowles left the meeting at 6:52 PM.

Larry: How can we get allies together? Have a special meeting where we invite all our potential allies?

Andy: If we ask them to support ours; they will ask us to support theirs.

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Ted: Presentations at Community Council meetings, chamber of commerce meetings (Wasilla – Every Tuesday @ Everett's; Palmer – Every Wednesday @ Palmer Moose Lodge; Big Lake; Anchorage).

Tam: Consider doing a short video with Stefan Hinman that can be shown at the meetings.

Andy: At advisory committees, you get 3 – 5 minutes to speak.

MOTION: Larry Engel made a motion to ask staff to produce visual materials to get word to the public; Howard Delo seconded.

Motion approved unanimously.

MOTION: Howard Delo made a motion for Fish and Wildlife Commission submit two to three questions for Alaska Department of Fish and Game by November 1 to Ted Eischeid and Karol Riese; Larry Engel seconded.

Motion approved unanimously.

VII. MEMBER COMMENTS

Howard: Some of the ADFG questions I submit will be influenced by what I hear at the BOF workshop on Oct 23-24, especially as it applies to stock of concern.

Larry: I had some discussions with the commissioner of ADFG; he showed interest in coming to one of the FWC meeting; start gathering information to discuss with him. Everyone should start doing some research and starting to prepare for the BOF cycle; I will be looking at the catch rates when the drifters fish out in the open waters versus fishing closer to the shore for the booklet. If everyone did a little going through the reports, it would sure be helpful.

Tam: Appreciate being a part of the board; I attend seven community council meetings every month – I can present at these if the presentation is at my level.

Andy: Question for ADFG: How has the Susitna King Salmon done in regards to the new reporting units?

Ted: Radio Free Palmer interview on Mat-Su Fisheries; may want to consider special meeting for BOF preparation.

Karol: We need to get going to get done with BOF – especially regarding the booklet.

Mike: I have been feeling pretty good overall going into the BOF. I feel that there is a lot to work on for our defense. I feel that our chances of gaining ground are better than in the past.

Bob: Does anyone have any handle on the Sport Fishery? Larry advised he comes from hatcheries.

VIII. NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Thursday, November 21 – AGENDA AND PRESENTATION IDEAS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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MOTION: Larry Engel moved to adjourn the meeting; Howard Delo seconded.

Motion approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM.

Howard Delo for
Mike Wood, Chair

11-21-19
Dated

Ted J. Eischeid
Ted Eischeid, Planner II Staff

11/21/19
Dated

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Platting Board was held on October 17, 2019, 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 Chair Jordan Rausa.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

Platting Board members present and establishing a quorum:

Mr. Pio Cottini, Assembly District #1
Mr. LaMarr Anderson, Assembly District #2, Vice Chair
Mr. Jordan Rausa, Assembly District #4, Chair
Mr. Dennis Vau Dell, Assembly District #5
Mr. John Shadrach, Alternate
Mr. Justin Hatley, Alternate

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Platting Board members absent and excused were:

Mr. Wilfred Fernandez, Assembly District #6
Mr. George Thompson, Assembly District #7
VACANT, District #3

Staff in attendance:

Mr. Fred Wagner, Platting Officer
Ms. Sloan Von Gunten, Platting Administrative Specialist
Ms. Cheryl Scott, Platting Technician
Ms. Peggy Horton, Platting Technician

B. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Platting Board Member LaMarr Anderson

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved without objection.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Rausa inquired if there were any changes to the minutes for September 19, 2019.

- Corrections on page 2 and recusal on page 3.

GENERAL CONSENT: The minutes for September 19, 2019 were approved with the corrections without objection.

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

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Quasi-Judicial Matters

Platting Board 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.

- A. BERRY'S BLUFF:** The request is to amend **Berry's Bluff** by adding three lots and a utility lot for a community water system. Lots served by a community water system are allowed to be less than 40,000 square feet. Berrys Bluff originally received approval from the Platting Board on July 18, 2019. The subdivision contains 39.95 acres +/- . The plat is located south of W. Fairview Loop, east of S. Coleman Drive and west of S. Well Site Road. (Tax ID # 17N01W28C007); within the SW ¼ Section 28, Township 17 North, Range 01 West, Seward Meridian. Community Council: Knik-Fairview, and Assembly District #3 George McKee (Owner/Petitioner: Nugent Properties, LLC; Surveyor: Besse, Staff: Cheryl Scott)

Chair Rausa:

- read the memorandum regarding quasi-judicial actions into the record;
- queried platting board members to determine if any of them have a financial interest in the proposed case;
- have had any ex parte contact with the applicant, members of the public, or interested parties in the proposed case; and
- if all platting board members are able to be impartial in a decision.

There was no objection noted.

Chair Rausa read the case title and description into the record.

Ms. Von Gunten provided the mailing report.

- Stating that 95 public hearing notices were mailed out on September 26, 2019.

Ms. Cheryl Scott provided a staff report

- Gave an overview of the case, #2019-061.
- Staff recommended approval of the case with findings of fact & conditions.

Chair Rausa invited the petitioner for a brief overview.

Mr. Rick Besse, the petitioner's representative, gave a brief overview.

Chair Rausa opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard, Chair Rausa closed the public hearing.

Chair Rausa invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

Mr. Rick Besse, the petitioner's representative, answered questions from the platting board.

Chair Rausa closed the petitioner's comments and discussion moved to the Platting Board.

MAIN

MOTION: Platting Member Anderson moved to approve the amended preliminary plat for Berry's Bluff, with 6 recommendations. The motion was seconded by Platting Member Cottini.

AMENDED

MOTION: Platting Member Vau Dell moved to add a recommendation regarding the leach field. The motion was seconded by Platting Member Shadrach

RECOMMENDATION:

Add #7: The Petitioner is to prove that there is no leach field in the protected well area.

The Platting Board discussed the recommendation that is brought forth by Platting Member Vau Dell.

AMENDED

VOTE: The amended motion failed with 5 against and 1 in favor. (Platting Member Vau Dell)

VOTE: The main motion passed with 5 in favor and 1 against (Platting Member Vau Dell). There are 9 findings of fact.

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

CD: 0:29:35

5. RECONSIDERATIONS/APPEALS

(There is no Reconsiderations/Appeals)

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS: Quasi-Judicial Matters

Platting Board 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.

A. PINOCHLE: The request is to create six lots from Tax Parcels B11 & D6, to be known as **Pinochle Subdivision**, containing 26.35 acres +/- . The petitioner is also proposing to vacate a portion of the section line easements in Sections 20 & 29 within B11 & D6. The plat is located north of the W. Glenn Highway at approximately mile 99 and south of W. Pinochle Lane (Tax ID # 20N09E20D006 & 20N09E29B011); within the S ½ Section 20 and the N ½ Section 29, Township 20 North, Range 09 East, Seward Meridian. Community Council:

Glacier View, Assembly District #1 Jim Sykes. Continued from the October 3, 2019 platting board hearing. (*Owner/Petitioner: Clem Earl Polen; Surveyor: Hanson; Staff: Cheryl Scott*)

Chair Rausa:

- read the memorandum regarding quasi-judicial actions into the record;
- queried platting board members to determine if any of them have a financial interest in the proposed case;
- have had any ex parte contact with the applicant, members of the public, or interested parties in the proposed case; and
- if all platting board members are able to be impartial in a decision.

There was no objection noted.

Chair Rausa read the case title and description into the record.

Ms. Von Gunten provided the mailing report.

- Stating that 20 public hearing notices were mailed out on September 11, 2019 from the platting board meeting on October 3, 2019.

Ms. Cheryl Scott provided a staff report

- Gave an overview of the case, #2019-121.
- Staff recommended approval of the case with findings of fact & conditions.

Chair Rausa invited the petitioner for a brief overview.

The petitioner's representative passed on giving an overview.

Chair Rausa opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard, Chair Rausa closed the public hearing.

Chair Rausa invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

Mr. Craig Hanson, the petitioner's representative, provided a brief description of the platting action and answered questions from the platting board.

Chair Rausa closed the petitioner's comments and discussion moved to the Platting Board.

MAIN

MOTION: Platting Member Cottini moved to approve the preliminary plat for Pinochle Subdivision and the vacation of a portion of the section line easements, with 11 recommendations. The motion was seconded by Platting Member Shadrach.

AMENDED

MOTION: Platting Member Vau Dell moved to add a finding regarding the fire marshal's comments. The motion was seconded by Platting Member Anderson

FINDING:

Add #16: Platting Member Vau Dell believes there is a conflict between Title 43 and the fire marshals comments that he sent into the borough. (This finding was not stated formally in the record. Only the written form was turned in after the case hearing)

The Platting Board discussed the fire marshals comments & flag lots.

AMENDED

VOTE: The amended motion passed with all in favor. (The board did not read into the record the finding).

VOTE: The main motion passed with all in favor. There are 16 findings of fact.

TIME: 1:44 P.M.

CD: 0:44:25

BREAK

TIME: 1:55 P.M.

CD: 0:55:25

B. LITTLE BILL LAKE: The request is to divide NW¼ Section 29 into two lots to be known as **Little Bill Lake** and dedicate the right-of-way for S. Parks Hwy. Lot 1 is 1.94 acres on the southwest side of the Parks Hwy and the remainder, Tract A, is 151.81 acres. The property is located between mile 99 & 100 S. Parks Hwy (Tax ID # 24N04W29B001); within the NW ¼ Section 29, Township 24 North, Range 04 West, Seward Meridian. Community Council: Susitna and Assembly District #7 Tam Boeve (*Owner/Petitioner: Mike & Sheryl Uher; Surveyor: Hanson; Staff: Peggy Horton*)

Chair Rausa:

- read the memorandum regarding quasi-judicial actions into the record;
- queried platting board members to determine if any of them have a financial interest in the proposed case;
- have had any ex parte contact with the applicant, members of the public, or interested parties in the proposed case; and
- if all platting board members are able to be impartial in a decision.

There was no objection noted.

Chair Rausa read the case title and description into the record.

Ms. Von Gunten provided the mailing report.

- Stating that 63 public hearing notices were mailed out on September 26, 2019.

Ms. Peggy Horton provided a staff report

- Gave an overview of the case, #2019-140.

- Staff recommended approval of the case with findings of fact & conditions.

Chair Rausa invited the petitioner for a brief overview.

The petitioner's representative passed on giving an overview.

Chair Rausa opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard, Chair Rausa closed the public hearing.

Chair Rausa invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

Mr. Craig Hanson, the petitioner's representative, provided a brief description of the platting action and answered questions regarding the property.

Chair Rausa closed the petitioner's comments and discussion moved to the Platting Board.

MAIN

MOTION: Platting Member Shadrach moved to approve the preliminary plat for Little Bill Lake, with 6 recommendations. The motion was seconded by Platting Member Vau Dell.

FINDINGS: Modify #7: There were no borough department, outside agency or public objections to this plat. There was 1 public concern.

VOTE: The main motion passed with all in favor. There are 7 findings of fact.

TIME: 2:09 P.M.

CD: 01:09:40

7. ITEMS OF BUSINESS & MISCELLANEOUS

Fred Wagner, the Platting Officer, gave a brief overview of where the board is at on the white board list.

A. Presentation by Eileen Probasco, Planning Director.

- Gave a presentation on Planning & Alaska State Statue and the Subdivision Construction Manual.

B. Special Meeting Session on Title 43 White board List

- The platting board opened the session on the White Board List
- Mr. Wagner, the Platting Officer, gave a starting overview.

Item #12: the board decided to postpone item #12 to the next meeting.

Item #13: Fred Wagner, The Platting Officer, presented item #13.

Discussion ensued between the platting board members on Item #13.

MOTION for

ITEM #13: Platting Member Anderson moved to approve the changes to white board list item #13. The motion was seconded by Platting Member Cottini.

VOTE ON

ITEM #13: The motion passed with all in favor.

Item #14: Fred Wagner, the Platting Officer, presented item #14.
Peggy Horton, the Platting Technician, gave an explanation on the changes to item #14.

Discussion ensued between the platting board members on Item #14.

Peggy Horton, will be re-writing item #14.

MOTION for

ITEM #14: Platting Member Vau Dell referred white board list item #14 back to staff for rewrite. The motion was seconded by Platting Member Cottini.

VOTE ON

ITEM #14: The motion passed with all in favor.

Item #15: Fred Wagner, the Platting Officer, presented item #15.
Peggy Horton, the Platting Technician, gave an explanation on the changes to item #15.

Discussion ensued between the platting board members on Item #15.

MOTION for

ITEM #15: Platting Member Shadrach moved to approve the changes to white board list item #15. The motion was seconded by Platting Member Vau Dell.

VOTE ON

ITEM #15: The motion passed with 5 in favor and 1 against. (Platting Member Hatley)

TIME: 4:00 P.M.

CD: 03:00:58

8. PLATTING STAFF & OFFICER COMMENTS

A. Adjudicatory (*if needed*)

B. Upcoming Platting Board Agenda Items

Mr. Wagner provided a brief update on cases that will be coming before the Platting Board.
Gave a brief update on the construction manual.

Ms. Von Gunten reminded the board members the parliamentary presentation by Alex Strawn will be at the next meeting.

9. BOARD COMMENTS

Platting Board Member Cottini – Would like the white board item changes at the next meeting.

Platting Board Member Shadrach – No Comments

Platting Board Member Anderson – Commented on the proposed schedule for the construction manual.

Platting Board Member Vau Dell – No Comments.

Platting Board Member Hatley – No Comments

Platting Board Member Rausa – Commented on the white board list & the surveyors.

10. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Platting Board, Chair Jordan Rausa adjourned the meeting at 4:06 p.m. (CD: 3:06:08)

Jordan Rausa

JORDAN RAUSA, Platting Board Chair

ATTEST:

Sloan Von Gunten

SLOAN VON GUNTEN,
Platting Board Clerk

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‡ 3 Officers required for quorum: TOTAL = YES ‡

☒ Pres: Patricia Fisher ☒ Vice Pres: Linda Conover
☒ Treasurer: Cindy Michaelson Sec: Vacant
☒ Council Coordinator: Camden Yehle

‡ 3 Committee Chairs required for quorum: TOTAL = YES ‡

☐ Education: Cally Leader ☒ CIP: Tim Swezey
☒ Bylaw: Terry Boyle ☒ Mem: Holly Gramt
☒ Trail: Lori Benner-Hanson ☒ Safety: Chad Smith
☒ Gaming: Ariel Cannon

‡ 10 Members of the Meadow Lakes Community required for quorum: TOTAL = YES ‡

Meeting Quorum = YES

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Patti Fisher. It was determined that a quorum was present.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Recited.

3. **Approval of:**

- Agenda** – The minutes were approved with the amendment of a presentation by the visiting Troopers to be made after the Treasurer's Report
- Minutes** – Tam Boeve reported an error in the September minutes. President Fisher said that a correction would be made.
- Treasurers Report** – Cindy Michaelson presented the treasurers report.

4. **Trooper Report:**

Troopers Purcell and Nelson visited the Council, and made the following report: When you recognize something, try to find out if it is just kids or actual criminal activity. Trends this summer and fall: property crimes are steady, petty theft, vehicle thefts down, 4-wheeler thefts steady, lots of domestic violence calls, drug calls steady. What about homeless population? Not many resources for homeless people here in Meadow Lakes. What should our approach be to people squatting. If it is your private property you can notify someone of trespassing; but more difficult if it is a vacant piece of land. Medical calls can't be put on the dispatch report. When asked if they had have crisis intervention training, they both reported "Yes". CIT training and another training in a week. Best training they ever had. For texting and driving call either 911 or 352-5401. If there was a police force, Trooper coverage would be reduced to area that is not covered by the police force. Takes over a year to train a Trooper and attrition is high.

5. **Board Reports**

Park and Rec: Bench Lake trail clearing 10 am to 2 pm this Saturday. Worked on the Woodland Trail was done this past weekend with assistance from the fire department. It is now a passible, half-mile trail.

President: streetlight on the corner of Meadow Lakes Loop and Pittman is on track. 100 homes in neighborhood watch programs now.

6. **Presentation:** Alex Strawn, Development Services Manager, Mat-Su Borough, discussed the Code Compliance Function at the Borough. Right-of-way compliance, permitting, code enforcement, land use codes, zoning. 200 cases per officer. Officers don't carry guns and can't arrest people. The Borough has a staff of attorneys to seek court orders. 12 this year have gone this route. Fines on these are higher than the value of the properties. The Borough is working on determining what to do with these properties. Number of cases opened each year exceed the number closed, the rate of open cases is increasing. Drugs are a problem and the idea the Valley has no rules is also a problem. More cases for impounding vehicles and items in the right-of-way. Squatters are not part of what code compliance does. Code enforcement officers have a uniform and a badge now. Working on streamlining the systems for mapping and data entry. Can only enforce existing code. Amplified sound and gravel are some of very few noise items that are regulated by the Borough. Many cases are referred to state agencies for protection of water bodies. Is there a public list of open case? No, but can call permitting center. Code compliance relies on complaint basis. Encourage everyone who is purchasing or developing property to stop by the permitting office. How many more people do you need to hire to make code compliance a success? The

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program will increase effective capacity by one or two staff people. Work closely with troopers at locations with illegal activity. Does the Borough regulate number of animals? Yes, through Animal Control. Vehicles in the right-of-way can be considered abandoned after 72 hours and towed. If the vehicle is impeding traffic, it can be towed immediately. Major problem of people moved off one property move to a different property.

Presentation: School board candidate for District 7 Jeff Taylor. God, freedom, and family are priorities.

7. **Correspondence:** The correspondence links were presented as listed in the Agenda.
8. **Old Business:** Proposed bylaw revision change presented in September was discussed. A Motion was made and passed to send the bylaw change out for an electronic vote.
9. **New Business: Appointment of a new Secretary and Council Coordinator:** President Fisher appointed Camden Yehle to fill the empty Secretary seat, and Tim Swezey to fill the position of Council Coordinator vacated by the appointment of Camden to Secretary. The appointments were passed by a vote of the membership. The Capital Improvements Projects Committee Chair will remain vacant for the present. The Borough is not presently developing a CIP list.
10. A motion to remove Jan Henkel (previous secretary) and add Camden to the bank accounts was approved.

11. Agency Reports:

Senator David Wilson reported that Glenn Highway lighting curfew made by the Governor will be reversed. Wilson announced that he had voted for Rep Laddie Shaw for Senate (to fill the vacancy left by the death of Chris Birch), and he plans to vote for next Governor's appointee. The call of another legislative special session is still up in the air. Complications exist over who has the responsibility to tow derelict vehicles in the right-of-way, State or Borough.

Roy Roistacher with West Lake Fire Department is doing educational programs at the local schools.

Assembly Tam Boeve - 52 primary homes lost in the fire. Average home value was \$20,000. This was a population that doesn't have a lot and winter comes fast after August. Tam is working to provide assistance to those families.

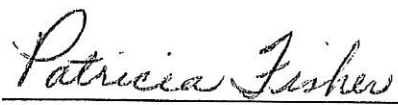
A representative from Representative Eastman's office said he would be available for discussion after the meeting.

12. Next Meeting Location:

Birch Creek Villas Senior Housing
1210 N. Kim Drive
Meadow Lakes

Wednesday, November 13, 2019
Sign In: 6PM to 7PM
Meeting: 7PM – 9PM

13. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm by President Patti Fisher.

 11/13/2019
Patricia Fisher, President Date

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Camden Yehle, Secretary Date

**South Knik River Community Council
Regular Meeting Minutes, Thursday 17 Oct 2019**

Location: SKRCC Building
17958 E Knik River Rd
Palmer, AK 99645

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1. Quorum met with 5 board members and 13 others present, of whom at least 7 were residents.
2. Anne Houseal, SKRCC Secretary, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Agenda approved with 2 additional speakers added
4. Meeting minutes from 19 Sep 2019 were approved with one correction in the title of the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council.
5. Reports/Guests:
 - a. Legislative report: None
 - b. Assembly Report: Jim Sykes covered a number of topics to include community response training at Butte Elementary, Fish and Wildlife Commission, the need for a Rural Fish and Wildlife Committee, a range/shooting issue regarding private property vs impact across property lines, a Planning Commission update draft likely in early 2020, and the Police Powers Task Force update which included several options being reviewed.
 - c. Butte Fire Chief, Louis Larouse, introduced himself as the new Butte Fire Chief. He shared Fire Prevention Week activities, including an Open House at Station 22 on Ben Hur Dr. They will also host an open house on Halloween from 6-10 pm. Our council area now has 3 volunteers and they are still looking for more. Interested individuals may apply through the borough website. It is a paid, on-call position and remains an open application status. They need drivers, as well. He also stated the Twin Peaks Fire Hydrant System is available to the Butte Fire Department which positively impacts the ISO rating in the area. The lower the better. He suggested homeowners review their fire insurance on residential homes as the ISO was reduced from 10 to 9.
 - d. MSBCCPS: Patrice Lecso provided an update from the meeting held the previous evening. She covered several topics, including Trooper retainment issues as well as the desire for the group to meet with legislatures regarding public safety. Everyone is encouraged to provide input to Patrice for this as she is the SKRCC Representative to the group.
7. Secretary/Treasurer Report : Expenses this past month included electric bills, Polyseal insulation for crawl space and Lowes for appliances and items needed for renovation for bathroom and kitchen area. Also mentioned was the need to complete the Neighborhood Watch grant funds, part of which will support the new gate.
Money Market funds: \$30,409.76, Checking: \$11,542.90, savings: \$1511.91

6. Unfinished Business

a. Emergency Response Plan Tabled

b. Bylaws review and update is open for input. Current bylaws were sent via email for review. Please provide inputs to secretary.

c. The FY 18 and 19 CAP Funds were justified with the list included on the Mar 2019 meeting minutes. Those minutes will be posted in the SKRCC Building so anyone can review at a meeting.

d. Bids are being solicited for the bathroom and kitchen.

7. New Business:

a. MTA business Internet/month 10mg download with 2 mg upload is \$60/month. \$100/month for unlimited Internet, 3 year agreement Max speed is 40mg download with a 8 me upload. Contact at MTA is Julia, 761-8799.

8. Announcements:

a. Tim Hale and Brian Endle, both running for the assembly seat which will represent us, shared their thoughts. In person voting takes place on 5 Nov 2019. Please vote.

b. Dennis Sayer shared concerns regarding mailboxes near corner of Ed Rush and expressed a desire for Phoenica residents to erect their own subdivision row of mailboxes nearer their subdivision. Anne said she would invite the Palmer Post Master to our next meeting to answer several concerns regarding mail delivery and theft.

c. Kathleen Shoop gave an update on the MSB YMCA. She sits on their advisory board. The before and after school programs have been well received and they are looking to expand.

9. Meeting adjourned at 8:39 pm.

Approved.


Joseph Plummer
SKRCC, Director

Date 11/21/19

Attest.


Anne Houseal
SKRCC Secretary

21 Nov 19
Date