The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Abbreviated Plat Hearing was held on April 5, 2023, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, in the Assembly Chambers located at 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Platting Officer Fred Wagner.

1. INTRODUCTION

A. Introduction of Staff Staff in Attendance:

- Mr. Fred Wagner, Platting Officer
- Ms. Theresa Taranto, Administrative Specialist

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2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

(None)

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. CHISANA WOODS RSB B3 L4-6: The request is to create one lot from Lots 4-6, Block 3, Chisana Woods, Plat No. 77-167, to be known as LOT 6A, containing 7.53 acres +/-. The parcel is located north of W. Hollywood Road, south and east of W. Klutina Drive at the end of W. Klondike Drive (Tax ID#s1379B03L004-L006); within Section 22, Township 17 North, Range 03 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In Big Lake Community Council and Assembly District #5. (Petitioner/Owner: Dale A. & Shelley L. Ax, Staff: Amy Otto-Buchanan, Case # 2023-022)

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

Ms. Theresa Taranto provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 18 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 10, 2023.

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

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

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

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

Discussion moved to the motion.

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

B. GREENWOOD MANOR RSB B2 L7-8: The request is to create two lots from Lots 7 & 8, Block 2, Greenwood Manor, Plat No. 77-5 to be known as LOTS 7A & 8A, containing 2.12 acres +/-. The property is located north of S. McKechnie Loop, south of E. Plumley Road and east of S. Old Glenn Highway(Tax ID # 1279B02L007 / L008); within the NE ¼ Section 26, Township 17 North, Range 02 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Butte Community Council and in Assembly District #1. (Petitioner/Owner: Hanson Land Solutions/David Proehl Revocable Trust/Richard Hendricks, Staff: Matthew Goddard, Case # 2023-023)

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

Ms. Theresa Taranto provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 41 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 10, 2023.

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

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

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

The petitioner's representative was not present.

Discussion moved to the motion.

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

C. <u>FINK'S RAVENVIEW</u>: The request is to create one lot from Lots 8 & 9, Block 7, Ravenview II, Plat No. 83-194, to be known as Finks Ravenview containing 2.08 acres +/-. The parcel is located south of E. Seldon Road, west of N. Jasper Drive and south of N. Brenna's Way (Tax ID#s 2550B07L008-L009); within Section 34, Township 18 North, Range 01 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In Tanaina Community Council and Assembly District #6. (Petitioner/Owner: Gary D. Fink & Denise M. Heimel, Staff: Amy Otto-Buchanan, Case # 2023-024)

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

Ms. Theresa Taranto provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 55 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 10, 2023.

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

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

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner invited the petitioner or their representative to provide their comments.

Gary Fink, the petitioner, had questions regarding requirement for the Driveway Permit.

Platting Officer, Mr. Wagner, answered Mr. Fink's questions.

Discussion moved to the motion.

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

D. MSB COTTONWOOD STATION 6-5: The request is to create three lots from Parcel #2, Waiver # 82-25 to be known as MSB COTTONWOOD STATION 6-5, containing 29.1 acres +/-. The property is located north of E. Palmer-Wasilla Highway, east of Wasilla Lake

and directly west of N. Seward Meridian Parkway (Tax ID # 17N01W01D014); within the SE ¹/₄ Section 01, Township 17 North, Range 01 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the South Lakes Community Council and in Assembly District #4. (Petitioner/Owner: Matanuska-Susitna Borough Land Management, Staff: Matthew Goddard, Case # 2023-003)

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

Ms. Theresa Taranto provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 30 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 10, 2023.

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

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

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

Dayna Rumfelt the petitioner's representative provided comments.

- Accepted conditions of approval
- No longer dedicating a park area

Discussion moved to the motion.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 8 conditions. There are 9 findings of fact.

4. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Platting Officer, Fred Wagner adjourned the meeting at 8:37 a.m.

FRED WAGNER, PLS

Platting Officer

THERESA TARANTO,

ATTEST:

Platting Administrative Specialist

Big Lake RSA #21 Special Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, February 08, 2023 6:30 pm, Big Lake Family Restaurant

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Primary Supervisor Pat Daniels called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Supervisors Jill Parson, Pat Daniels, Garland Morrison, Bill Haller and Andrew Traxler were present, representing a quorum.

Also in attendance: Assemblyman Tew, and five participants.

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

Agenda was approved as presented. Minutes for the January 11 meeting and the Feb 1 special meeting were approved as presented.

No staff present. Matt Jacobs is RSA21 Superintendent for February

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

Borowski and Botnick, spoke regarding getting RSA21 road maintenance for their respective roads presently not Borough maintained roads. Gorlick spoke requesting that Dawson Drive, a Borough maintained road, be put on the road repair list for the upcoming year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion was held on a test program to address alternate techniques to make impassable roads passable. The need for a "standard" other than the existing subdivision standard (SCM) is needed, since many existing roads can never meeting the SCM.

Individual RIP nominations from Feb 1 RSA meeting were included in a draft RIP list which Dustin Spidal, Public Works Projects, printed for all Supervisors for this meeting.

Problem Reporter was discussed with an explanation on how report status shows on the map and concerns about Public Works followup.

NEW BUSINESS

Jolly Creek - \$100,000 was allocated on RSA21 2022 RIP list. Funds have already been encumbered for HDL to do design for \$129,000. Discussion followed on why this should be funded outside of RSA funds. No decision was made on how to show on 2023 RIP list, postponed until next RSA21 meeting.

2023 RIP continued: Dust Control, Road Striping and Crack Sealing were to be included on the 2023 list. Paving to include \$37,000 encumbered and \$35,000 to be added to 2023 list. \$35,000 to be included for Victor Road. Include Areawide culvert replacement and repair/replace culverts. Include Areawide ditch reconditioning. The 2023 RIP list was not finalized. Make a list of non-certified roads to be approved for Borough maintenance.

Weekly Winter Road reports discussed. Supervisors are not completing yet. 7.4.1.2 states plowing requirements. Discussion followed on how the reports can be submitted weekly.

All future meetings will be held at 6:30pm. Discussion followed regarding having weekly meetings.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS and BOARD COMMENTS - none due to restaurant closing.

Next meeting March 8, 2023, 6:30pm, Big Lake Family Restaurant. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Daniels, Primary

Jill Parson, Acting Secretary

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RESOLUTION # 03-23

A RESOLUTION FOR ROAD SERVICE AREA #15. CASWELL LAKES Hidden Hills Phases II/III, Bendapole, Passthebait, and Lostaspinner

WHEREAS, the Caswell Lakes Road, Bendapole, Passthebait and Hidden Hills Road Projects were funded by the Transportation Infrastructure Package 2021.

WHEREAS, the funding allocated to these projects was inadequate to complete construction.

WHEREAS, the design and engineering for Bendapole, Passthebait, Lostaspinner, and Hidden Hills Phases II/III are completed. Thus, these projects are ready for construction.

WHEREAS, Bendapole, Passthebait, Lostaspinner, Hidden Hills Phases II/III projects will not be completed because funding was inadequate. Thus, need to be constructed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Road Service Area #15 Caswell Lakes Board of Supervisors are requesting that Hidden Hills Phases II/III, Bendapole, Passthebait, and Lostaspinner be added to the Transportation Infrastructure Package 2023.

ADOPTED by Road Service Area 15, Caswell Lakes Board of Supervisors:

Supervisor Signature

Supervisor Signature

Supervisor Signature

Date: 3 / 89 / 8083

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MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH CLERKS OFFICE PARKS, RECREATION, AND TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD

<u>Chairperson</u> – Chris Wilson – District 2 <u>Vice Chair</u> – Kenni Linden – At Large 3 <u>Pat Owens</u> – District 1 Dan Michael – At Large 2 John Harris - District 3 Roy Wahl - District 4 James Jones - At Large 1 Sarah Gotschall - At Large 4 Vacant - District 5 Vacant - District 6 Ruth Wood - District 7

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING Lower Level Conference Room

January 23rd, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mr. Wilson at 6:01 pm.

II. ROLL CALL - DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Members Present: Mr. Wilson, Mr. Jones, Ms. Gotschall, Mr. Michael

Members Attending Virtually: Mr. Wahl, Ms. Wood, Ms. Owens

Members Absent: Ms. Harris, Ms. Linden

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Mr. Jones moved to accept the agenda as written, Mr. Michael, 2nd. All in favor.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Wilson led the pledge of allegiance.

V. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING

A. OCTOBER 24TH, 2022

Motion: Ms. Owen moved to accept the minutes as written, Mr. Wahl, 2nd. All in favor.

VI. BOROUGH STAFF REPORT

A. Hugh Leslie, Recreation & Library Services Manager

Mr. Leslie talked about the winter snow and windstorm that happened and all the hard work the Parks and Trails staff did to clear snow.

Mr. Leslie mentioned that draft budgets are being done up and will be available to the board for February's PRTAB meeting.

Mr. Leslie stated that the new kiosks for Lazy Mountain and GPRA trailheads have been ordered.

- B. 2024 Arctic Winter Games No Report
- C. Gravel Pit at the Greenbelt
- VII. PERSONS TO BE HEARD / AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION 3 minutes per person None.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Avigation Easement Report No Report
- B. Public Access Easement at Winnie Lake and Hay Flats

Mr. Leslie stated that he had Borough staff ground check the spot for obstructions and none are within the easement.

C. Code of Ordinances for Parks and Recreation - January 14th, 2023 at 4:00pm.

Mr. Leslie thanked Ms. Owens, Mr. Jones, Ms. Wood, Ms. Gotschall, and Ms. Kelsh for all their hard work for the past 6 months working on the Ordinances.

- D. Matanuska Valley Moose Range at Jonesville PUA No Report
- E. Animals on leashes on trails

Mr. Leslie provided the Borough code for reference.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Settlers Bay Expansion, Resolution 23-01

Motion: Ms. Owen moved to accept the Resolution as written, Mr. Michael, 2nd. All in favor.

B. Elections

Motion: Mr. Michael nominated Mr. Wilson as Chairperson, Mr. Jones 2nd. All in favor.

Motion: Mr. Jones made a motion to close nominations and to cast a unanimous ballet naming Mr. Wilson as Chairperson, Mr. Michael 2nd.

Motion: All in favor voting for Mr. Wilson as Chairperson.

Motion: Mr. Wilson opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairperson, Mr. Jones 2nd.

Motion: Ms. Owens nominated Ms. Linden as Vice Chairperson, Mr. Jones 2nd. All in favor.

Motion: Mr. Michael made a motion to close nominations and to cast a unanimous ballet naming Ms. Linden as Vice Chairperson

Motion: All in favor voting for Ms. Linden as Vice Chairperson.

C. 2023 PRTAB Schedule

- X. VOLUNTEER NOMINATIONS
- XI. CORRESPONDENCE

XII. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Wilson - No comments

Ms. Owens - No comments

Mr. Michael – Introduced himself to the board.

Mr. Wahl – The ADA GPRA Trail needs to be refreshed.

Mr. Jones – Inquired about having a viewing bench for Warren.

Ms. Gotschall – No comments

Ms. Wood – Welcomed Dan. Mentioned how great the Talkeetna Trails are.

XIII. NEXT MEETING

February 27th, 2023

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Jones moved to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Michael 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm

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Chris Wilson, Chairperson

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Alyssia Jones, Recreation and Library Services Administrative Specialist



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MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PARKS, RECREATION AND TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 23-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PARKS, RECREATION, AND TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDING THE ASSEMBLY APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 PROPOSED BUDGETS FOR THE RECREATIONAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, OUTDOOR ICE RINK, BRETT MEMORIAL ICE ARENA, COMMUNITY POOLS, PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION, TRAILS MAINTENANCE, AND NORTHERN REGION OUTDOOR PARKS AND RECREATION.

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Parks, Recreation, and Trails Advisory Board reviewed the proposed draft of fiscal year 2023 operating budgets, presented the 27th of February, 2023, for the Recreational Services Administration, Outdoor Ice Rink, Brett Memorial Ice Arena, Community Pools, Parks and Outdoor Recreation, Trails Maintenance, and Northern Region Parks and Outdoor Recreation; and

WHEREAS, the board feels the proposed fiscal year 2024 operating budgets as presented to the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Board, are the minimum needed to continue an acceptable level of service to the community.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Parks, Recreation, and Trails Advisory Board hereby recommends the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly adopt the fiscal year 2024 proposed operating budgets for the Recreational Services Administration, Outdoor Ice Rink, Brett Memorial Ice Arena, Community Pools, Community Enrichment, Parks and Outdoor Recreation, Trails Maintenance, and Northern Region Parks and Outdoor Recreation.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Board this $27^{\rm th}$ day of February 2023.

Chris Wilson, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Alyssia Jones, Rec. Admin. Spec.

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission was held on January 16, 2023, 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 Vice-Chair Allen.

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

Planning Commission members present and establishing a quorum:

Mr. Doug Glenn, Assembly District #1

Mr. Richard Allen, Assembly District #2

Ms. C. J. Koan, Assembly District #3

Mr. Michael Rubeo, Assembly District #4

Mr. Bill Kendig, Assembly District #5 *

Mr. Wilfred Fernandez, Assembly District #6

Mr. Curt Scoggin, Assembly District #7

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Planning Commission members absent and excused were:

Staff in attendance:

Mr. Rick Benedict, Planner II

Ms. Peggy Horton, Planner II

Mr. Jason Ortiz, Development Services Manager

Mr. Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director

Ms. Hannah Steketee, Assistant Attorney

Ms. Corinne Lindfors, Development Services Administrative Specialist

Ms. Karol Riese, Planning Depart. Administrative Specialist/Planning Commission Clerk

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice-Chair Allen 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 byMr. Rick Benedict.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION:

Commissioner Scoggin made a motion to remove Resolution 23-04 -

Amending MSB 17.05 – Essential Services Utilities Standards to March 6, 2023

for introduction.

VOTE:

no objections.

A. Minutes

Meeting Minutes: January 16, 2023

^{*}Indicates that the individual attended telephonically.

- B. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING: QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS
- C. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING: LEGISLATIVE MATTERS
- Resolution 23-04 A resolution of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission recommending approval of an ordinance amending MSB 17.05 Essential Services Utilities Standards. Public Hearing: March 6, 2023. (Staff: Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director)
- Resolution 23-05

 A resolution of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission recommending approval of an ordinance of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly prohibiting onsite consumption of marijuana until such time as the State of Alaska adopts a numerical standard for operating a vehicle while under the influence of marijuana or a numerical standard for the presumption of being under the influence of marijuana. Referred by Assembly due back to Assembly by July 3, 2023. Public Hearing: March 6, 2023. (Staff: Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director)

GENERAL CONSENT: The consent agenda was approved, as amended without objection.

- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS (There were no committee reports.)
- VI. AGENCY/STAFF REPORTS (There were no Agency/Staff Reports.)
- VII. LAND USE CLASSIFICATIONS (There were no land use classifications.)
- VIII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Three minutes per person.)

(There were no persons to be heard.)

IX. PUBLIC HEARING: QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS

Resolution 23-01 A conditional use permit in accordance with MSB 17.70 – Regulation of Alcoholic Beverage Uses for an alcoholic beverage dispensary (bar) known as Big Lake Brewing Company LLC, located at 5120 South Big Lake Road; Tax ID 9228000U012, within Township 17 North, Range 3 West, Section 28, Seward Meridian. (Applicant: Whitney Dow for Big Lake Brewery Co., LLC; Staff: Rick Benedict, Planner II)

Vice-Chair Allen read the resolution title into the record.

Mr. Benedict provided a staff report:

• staff recommended approval of the resolution with conditions.

Commissioner Fernandez arrived at 6:13 pm.

Vice-Chair Allen invited the applicant or their representative to provide an overview of their application.

Ms. Dow, applicant, stated that she had nothing further to add and would answer questions.

Vice-Chair Allen opened the public hearing.

There being no one to be heard, Vice-Chair Allen closed the public hearing and discussion moved to the Planning Commission.

MOTION:

Commissioner Kendig moved to approve Planning Commission Resolution 23-01.

The motion was seconded.

VOTE:

The main motion passed without objection.

X. PUBLIC HEARING LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

Resolution 23-02 A resolution of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission

recommending approval of an ordinance amending MSB 17.30 – Conditional Use Permit for earth materials extraction activities to allow for an exemption of 10,000 cubic yards annually without a permit. Referred by Assembly – due back to Assembly by February 20, 2023. (Staff: Alex

Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director)

Vice-Chair Allen read the resolution title into the record.

Mr. Strawn provided a staff report.

Vice-Chair Allen opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke in favor of Planning Commission Resolution 23-02:

The following persons spoke in opposition of Planning Commission Resolution 23-02: Steve Colligan, Alaska Rock Products; Marc Cottini

Vice-Chair Allen invited staff to respond to questions and statements from the audience.

Mr. Strawn responded to questions and statements from members of the audience.

The two year Administrative Permit is in place and will go away with Resolution 23-02

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

MOTION:

Commissioner Kendig moved to approve Planning Commission Resolution 23-02.

The motion was seconded.

Discussion ensued

VOTE: The main motion passed with Commissioner Fernandez and Allen in opposition.

XI. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

(There was no correspondence and information.)

XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Susitna Basin Recreation Rivers Board Seat

Commissioner Scoggin volunteered his services for this seat and will contact law.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS - (There was no new business.)

XIV. COMMISSION BUSINESS

A. Borough Area Schools Site Selection Committee

The Borough Assembly has the ultimate authority on the location of MSB Schools within the Borough, pursuant to MSB 19.08.020. The Borough Areas Schools Site Selection Committee (Committee) is tasked with making recommendations on the location of Schools with the assistance of Borough Staff. The Committee is made up of Planning Commission, Assembly, School Board, and at-large members. At this time, the Committee only meets when there is a school in need of a site or a Charter school pursuing the purchase of a permanent site. The Committee met three times in 2021 to find sites for Mat-Su Central School, Birchtree Charter School, and American Charter Academy; but did not meet for over a decade previous to 2021. Site selection is an extremely important part of planning for our Borough's future, as the recommendations made by this board and the location of school sites can have a massive impact on transportation, land use, student safety, sense of place, and quality of life.

Commissioner Kendig has volunteered his services to sit on this committee.

B. Upcoming Planning Commission Agenda Items (Staff: Jason Ortiz)

(Commission Business was presented, and no comments were noted.)

XV. DIRECTOR AND COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Fernandez: Apologized for tardiness; consider all angles not just those that

spoke for or against.

Mr. Jason Ortiz: Thank you Vice-Chair Allen and to Hannah

Commissioner Allen: Thank you for baring with me.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

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

BILL KENDIG, Planning Commission Chair

KAROL RIESE, Planning Commission Clerk

Minutes approved:

March 6, 2023

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission was held on March 6, 2023, 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 Kendig.

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

Planning Commission members present and establishing a quorum:

Mr. Doug Glenn, Assembly District #1

Mr. Richard Allen, Assembly District #2

Ms. C. J. Koan, Assembly District #3

Mr. Michael Rubeo, Assembly District #4

Mr. Bill Kendig, Assembly District #5

Mr. Wilfred Fernandez, Assembly District #6

Mr. Curt Scoggin, Assembly District #7

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Staff in attendance:

Mr. Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director

Ms. Shannon Bodolay, Assistant Attorney

Ms. Corinne Lindfors, Development Services Division Administrative Specialist

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Commissioner Scoggin moved to Amend the Consent Agenda by pulling Resolution 23-08 from New Business. The motion was seconded. by Commissioner

Glenn

Discussion ensued

MOTION:

VOTE: The motion passed as Amended with Commissioner Allen and Fernandez opposed.

MOTION: Commissioner Koan moved to Accept the Agenda as Amended. The motion was

seconded by Commissioner Scoggin.

VOTE: The main motion passed as amended without objection.

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved as amended.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Jim Sykes.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes Regular Meeting Minutes: February 6, 2023

B. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING: QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS

C. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING: LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

Resolution 23-03 A resolution of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission recommending approval of an ordinance amending MSB 17.55 and MSB 17.80 to allow buildings to be built within 75 feet of a water body. Public Hearing: March 20, 2023. (Staff: Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director)

Resolution 23-07 A resolution of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission recommending approval of an ordinance amending MSB 15.24.031 — Initiation and Amending Lake Management Plans. (Staff: Kelsey Anderson, Planner III)

GENERAL CONSENT: The consent agenda was approved.

- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS (There were no committee reports.)
- VI. AGENCY/STAFF REPORTS (There were no Agency/Staff Reports.)
- VII. LAND USE CLASSIFICATIONS (There were no land use classifications.)
- VIII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Three minutes per person.)

The following people spoke regarding Resolution 23-08: Patty Fisher. Gary Foster, Andrew Traxler, Shelia Heffner, Steve Colligan, Randy Hillman, Stephanie Nowers, Pat Daniels, and Candis Yehle

The following people spoke regarding Resolution 23-03: Andrew Couch and Jim Sykes

- IX. PUBLIC HEARING: QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS
- X. PUBLIC HEARING LEGISLATIVE MATTERS
- Resolution 23-05

 A resolution of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission recommending approval of an ordinance of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly prohibiting onsite consumption of marijuana until such time as the State of Alaska adopts a numerical standard for operating a vehicle while under the influence of marijuana or a numerical standard for the presumption of being under the influence of marijuana. Referred by Assembly due back to Assembly by July 3, 2023. (Staff: Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director)

Chair Kendig read the resolution title into the record.

Mr. Strawn provided a staff report.

Chair Kendig opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke in regarding Planning Commission Resolution 23-05: Randy Hillman and Becky Stoppa (Telephonic) for Thrive Alaska

Chair Kendig invited staff to respond to questions and statements from the audience.

Mr. Strawn stated that they had nothing further to add.

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

MOTION: Commissioner Scoggin moved to approve Planning Commission Resolution 23-05. The motion was seconded, by Commissioner Fernandez.

Discussion ensued

MOTION: Commissioner Rubeo moved a primary amendment to change the title of the Resolution. The motion was seconded. By Commissioner Glenn.

A Resolution Of The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission Recommending Approval Of An Ordinance Prohibiting Onsite Consumption Of Marijuana.

VOTE: The primary amendment passed without any objection.

Commissioner Rubeo began attending the meeting remotely at 6:17 pm.

MOTION: Commissioner Allen moved a secondary amendment to strike the last three whereas clauses. Below are the statements that were removed:

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska does not currently have a numerical level of criminality, or a numerical level of presumption of being under the influence of marijuana while driving; and

WHEREAS, there should be numberical standards in place before the MSB allows marijuana retail establishments to have onsite consumption of marijuana; and

WHEREAS, a numerical standard will help the general public and patrons of onsite consumption to be able to clearly and intelligently evaluate the rules.

The motion was seconded. By Commissioner Scoggin

VOTE:

The secondary amendment passed without any objection.

MOTION:

Commissioner Koan moved a third amendment to amend the Now, Therefore, be it

resolved to read:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission hereby recommends the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly prohibit onsite consumption of marijuana.

The motion was seconded. By Commissioner Glenn

VOTE:

The third amendment passed without any objection.

VOTE:

The main motion passed as amended without objection.

CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION XI.

(There was no correspondence and information.)

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

XIII. NEW BUSINESS - This item was removed from the Agenda

Resolution 23-08

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A resolution of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission rescinding Planning Commission resolution 23-02 and recommending denial of an ordinance amending MSB 17.30 Conditional Use Permit for Earth Materials Extraction Activities to allow for an exemption of 10,000 cubic yards annually without a permit. (Commissioner Richard Allen)

XIV. COMMISSION BUSINESS

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

XV. DIRECTOR AND COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Director Strawn:

Introduced and thanked clerk Corinne Lindfors for stepping in for Karol

Riese

Commissioner Glenn: Commented on gravel resolutions and suggests/invites commissioners take

a helicopter tour to view gravel pits in the borough.

Commissioner Koan: Good meeting and expresses appreciation.

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING March 6, 2023

Commissioner Scoggin:

Commented on Amendments and preparation in advance.

Improvements are being made.

Commissioner Fernandez:

Commented on loving the public process and gratitude for

commission members, staff, and expresses gratitude

Commissioner Allen:

Commented on ruffling feathers on the commission, apologized, and clarified his intent. Spoke about public comments he received and requested to bring back for public comment. Expressed appreciation

for the process and fellow commission members.

Commissioner Rubeo

Expressed appreciation and comments on having to leave early and

be by phone. Thanks, fellow commissioners.

Commissioner Kendig:

Had a good meeting, likes process, thanked clerk.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

WILLIAM KENDIG

Planning Commission Chair

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CORINNE LINDFORS

Planning Commission Clerk

Minutes approved:

March 20, 2023

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission was held on March 20, 2023, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Chair Bill Kendig.

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

Planning Commission members present and establishing a quorum:

Mr. Doug Glenn, Assembly District #1

Mr. Richard Allen, Assembly District #2

Mr. Bill Kendig, Assembly District #5

Mr. Wilfred Fernandez, Assembly District #6

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Planning Commission members absent and excused were:

Ms. C. J. Koan, Assembly District #3

Mr. Michael Rubeo, Assembly District #4

Mr. Curt Scoggin, Assembly District #7

Staff in attendance:

Mr. Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director

Mr. John Aschenbrenner, Deputy Borough Attorney

Ms. Maija DiSalvo, Planner II

Mrs. Kelsey Anderson, Planner III

Ms. Kim Sollien, Planning Services Manager

Mr. Ted Eischeid, Planner II

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

MOTION:

Commissioner Allen moved to approve the agenda as written. The motion was

seconded by Commissioner Glenn.

GENERAL CONSENT:

The agenda was approved without objection.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Civil Air Patrol based out of Birchwood Composite squadron posted the colors and led the pledge of allegiance.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes Regular Meeting Minutes: March 6, 2023

B. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING: QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS

C. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING: LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

GENERAL CONSENT:

The consent agenda was approved without objection.

- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS (There were no committee reports.)
- VI. AGENCY/STAFF REPORTS (There were no Agency/Staff Reports.)
- VII. LAND USE CLASSIFICATIONS (There were no land use classifications.)
- VIII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Three minutes per person.)

Randy Hillman spoke regarding carbon credits and sequestration, and his concern about the future of the Borough

- IX. PUBLIC HEARING: QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS
- X. PUBLIC HEARING LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

Resolution 23-03 A resolution of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission recommending approval of an ordinance amending MSB 17.55 and MSB 17.80 to allow buildings to be built within 75 feet of a water body. (Staff: Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director)

Chair Kendig read the resolution title into the record.

Mr. Strawn provided a staff report.

Chair Kendig opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke in regarding Planning Commission Resolution 23-03: Mike Wood (Fish & Wildlife Commission), Camden Yehle (Meadow Lakes Community Council), Patti Fisher, Peter Probasco, Tyler Marye, Eileen Probasco, Jean Holt, Doug Massie, Jim Sykes, Jessica Speed (Matsu Salmon Habitat Partnership) and Steven Edwards

Chair Kendig invited staff to respond to questions and statements from the audience.

Mr. Strawn stated that they had nothing further to add.

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

MOTION: Commissioner Allen moved to approve Planning Commission Resolution 23-03. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Glenn.

Discussion ensued

MOTION: Commissioner Kendig moved to postpone voting on Planning Commission Resolution 23-03 to a time certain of April 3rd to allow more commission members

to be in attendance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fernandez.

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VOTE:

The motion to postpone passed without objection.

Mr Strawn clarified that there will still be an option for the public to speak to Planning Commission Resolution 23-03 at the April 3rd meeting under Audience Participation.

Resolution 23-07

A resolution of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission recommending approval of an ordinance amending MSB 15.24.031 – Initiation and Amending Lake Management Plans. (Staff: Kelsey Anderson, Planner III)

Chair Kendig read the resolution title into the record.

Ms. Anderson provided a staff report.

Commissioners questioned staff regarding: the correlation between number of lots owned and number of votes allowed; legal ability of the Borough to regulate the use of public spaces including waters of the U.S.; capacity of code compliance officers on staff to enforce regulations; code compliance officer weekend coverage

Chair Kendig opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke in regarding Planning Commission Resolution 23-07: Jean Holt and Eileen Probasco

Chair Kendig invited staff to respond to questions and statements from the audience.

Ms. Anderson stated that they had nothing further to add.

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

MOTION:

Commissioner Allen moved to approve Planning Commission Resolution 23-07.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Glenn

Discussion ensued

MOTION:

Commissioner Allen moved to postpone voting on Planning Commission

Resolution 23-07 to a time certain on April 3rd to allow more commission members

to be in attendance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Glenn.

VOTE:

The motion to postpone passed without objection.

XI. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

(There was no correspondence and information.)

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 (Staff: Alex Strawn) (Commission Business was presented, and no comments were noted.)

XV. DIRECTOR AND COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Kendig:

A reminder to the Commission to adhere to the Open Meetings Act regarding legislative issues; if calling other commissioners individually, please direct them not to then contact others as this

could be considered a serial meeting

Commissioner Fernandez:

No Comment

Commissioner Glenn:

No Comment

Commissioner Allen:

No Comment

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

WILLIAM KENDIG

Planning Commission Chair

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Minutes approved:

APRIL 3, 2023



MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. TAB 23-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD REQUESTING THE ASSEMBLY ADOPT AND FUND A TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM FOR 2023 THAT INCLUDES PROJECTS LISTED IN THE 2035 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP), SHOWN ON THE 2022 OFFICIAL STREETS AND HIGHWAYS PLAN (OSHP), THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS PLANS, AS WELL AS OTHER PRIORITIZED PROJECTS, ALL OF WHICH WILL REDUCE TRAFFIC CONGESTION, SUPPORT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, IMPROVE CONNECTIVITY, ENHANCE PEDESTRIAN AND VEHICLE SAFETY, INCREASE RELIABILITY, AND PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION CHOICES FOR RESIDENTS.

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough is the fastest growing borough in the state; and

WHEREAS, with the ever increasing population, there is a need to accelerate improvements and connections within our transportation system network which includes roads, transit, and pedestrian facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough's (Borough) Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) identifies seven goals including the need to provide transportation choices, improve connectivity, improve mobility, make our transportation system safer, and to support economic vitality; and

WHEREAS the LRTP identified \$1.3 Billion of needed transportation infrastructure improvements between 2016 and 2035; and

WHEREAS, during this same time period the Borough's population is expected to more than double to 189,900 residents; and

WHEREAS, the Official Streets and Highways Plan, Capital Improvement Program, Safe Routes to School Plan, and Comprehensive Plans, also identify priority transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, to implement these plans to improve our transportation infrastructure, funding needs be programmed so that construction can begin as early as possible in order to prevent additional connectivity, congestion, and safety issues from getting worse; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of Borough residents to fund and construct key elements of the Borough's transportation system; and

WHEREAS, the city of Houston when through a transition in leadership and their recommendation for a road project did not make it to the TIP 23 list; and WHEREAS, transportation infrastructure surrounding our schools is a priority for safety and connectivity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Transportation Advisory Board recommends the assembly advance the 2023 Transportation Infrastructure Program as ranked in the proposed list; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Transportation Advisory Board recommends the City of Houston, King Arthur Drive upgrade project be added to the TIP 23 list; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Transportation Advisory Board recommends that school projects are prioritized for funding after road projects; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Transportation Advisory Board recommends the assembly seek and develop alternative funding mechanisms for the construction of public roads, public transit facilities, and pedestrian/bicycle pathways in the Borough to improve our transportation system.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Transportation Advisory Board this 31st day of March 2023.

Joshua Cross, Chair

ATTEST:

Kim Sollien, Planning Services Manager

Staff Support



Regular Meeting of the Talkeetna Community Council Monday, February 6th, 2023 @ 7pm Talkeetna Public Library w/ Zoom link Minutes

Attending: Jon Korta, Jodi Rodwell, Krister Bowman, Frannie Christensen, Pam

1. Call to order. Establish a quorum: __6__ were in attendance

	Young
2.	Pam Young will take the minutes
3.	Change agenda: add persons to be heard - Sierra Smith from Sunshine Clinic
4.	Approval of agenda - Motion, Second, No Discussion, Approved
5.	Approval of Minutes from 12/5/2022 - Motion, Second, No Discussion, Approved
6.	Treasurer's Report – See six documents in Correspondence Packet, including year-end summary.
7.	Out-of-Town Guest(s) - none
8.	Correspondence – see Correspondence Packet - Committee monthly reports: RSA; TPAC changed meeting schedule; Technology committee report, website updates, new shared drives, and Google Groups; TRW proposal and support letter request; Northern Valley Health Coalition & Sunshine Clinic; events and new meeting schedules are on the website: https://www.talkeetnacouncil.org/
9.	Announcements: Susitna Rivers Coalition, https://www.susitnarivercoalition.org/ seeks volunteers to help with MEA voter outreach. Solarize Talkeetna invites the community to learn about saving costs on installing solar panels. See https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=26TEbjjReM0
10	. Persons to be heard: Sierra Smith, Community Relations Manager, Sunshine Clinic – invites Talkeetna to join the Northern Valley Health Coalition. See New Business in these minutes.
11.	. Assembly Update – no report
12	Fire Dept. Report – Eric Chappel – The past year had 207 calls (8 more than the prior year). Recent responses included a semi crash, a downed aircraft, and calls that shut down the highway for responders' safety. Recruiting signs are posted throughout the community. Several crew members are training for emergency trauma and hazmat response. Carbon monoxide and smoke detector installations are ongoing.
13	Talkeetna Water and Sewer Board - Three Board members plus MSB Operator

Amanda Fleming, discussed relocating the water system to an arsenic-free source.

undertaken. The Board seeks to restructure rates and make fees fair and equitable.

Costs are approximately \$47,000. Environmental impact studies would be

drew@abovealaska.com or Representative Kevin McCabe 907 465-2679

For more information, contact Drew Haag, Sewer Water Board,

rep.kevin.mccabe@akleg.gov

14. Talkeetna Road Service Area (RSA) Report – John Strasenburgh – The Public Works Dept and the Committee discussed upcoming projects. The dike design is near completion and construction will begin in 2024 or 2025. The Woodpecker Road project should start this year. Snow plowing is going well. Brush clearing will begin after the bird nesting season in mid-July. To report road problems to MSB, go to https://problemreporter.matsugov.us/ or contact RSA.

15. Committee/Board Reports

- a. Talkeetna Parks Advisory Committee (TPAC) See the new meeting schedule in the Correspondence Packet. During a recent meeting, a new trail was proposed and debated whether to be multi-use or ski only. Ski interest groups will offer suggestions for TPAC to review. Park users want bigger trail signs, signs along the trails, and seasonal signs.
- b. Talkeetna Recycling Works (TRW) Cici S. Two new student volunteers are completing community service hours. Projects include new concrete decking and recycled cups for local businesses. E-waste/book collection will take place on Saturday, April 22 at the Denali Education Center.
- c. Community Assistance Program (CAP) Jodi R. The open application period closes March 15. After the Committee reviews applications, CAP will award funding. In addition to paper applications, CAP is preparing a digital online form. Maleia Grabinski, Council Board member, will chair the Committee. See discussion under New Business.
- d. Comsat Quarry No activity
- e. Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) See report in Correspondence Packet.
- f. Technology Committee Jeffry H. See the Correspondence packet. The Committee reviewed proofs of concept and prototyping. Future actions will address file access and how to deactivate accounts. Website updates include new information from the CAP and TPAC committees.

16. Unfinished Business - none

17. New Business

- A. CAP Applications are available for applicants. Remaining 2022 CAP funds can cover TCCl's 2023 operating expenses. We do not anticipate withholding 2023 funds.
 - Motion: Do not withhold any 2023 CAP funds for TCCI operating expenses. Second, Discussion, Approved.
- B. Support TRW Composting Grant Request The MSB landfill division seeks an endorsement letter from the Council supporting their \$3 million grant application under the new federal Infrastructure Act. MSB seeks to increase composting in the Borough. Initially, brush and plant material would be composted. Then, food waste will be added. The Talkeetna community would receive some of the new

compost. Motion: Approve letter of endorsement, Second, Discussion, Approved

C. Northern Valley Health Coalition, Sierra Smith, Community Relations Manager, Sunshine Clinic – Presentation and handout The Northern Valley Health Coalition would include Willow, Trapper Creek, and Talkeetna in community-driven services. The Coalition would form a Board, have monthly meetings, and apply for grants. The Clinic invites TCCI representation in the Coalition. Examples of services include a paramedic pilot program and school-based partnerships. See more information in the Correspondence Packet.

Board discussion: Krister B. and Jeffry H. volunteered to participate on a trial basis. Jon K. will notify Sierra that TCCI will have a representative at the March meeting.

18. Board Comments

Jodi R. thanks everyone for a great meeting and thanks all who helped support a successful Ice Festival.

Frannie C. gives a shout out to Michelle Crow, Denali Arts Council, for the many great events and for her great organizational work. Also, Valley High School seeks applicants for their secretary position vacancy.

Jeffry H. thanks the Councilmembers for attending the technology workshop, thanks Jodi R. for helping on the Technology Committee, and thanks Sierra Smith for her presentation.

Krister B. thanks Councilmembers Jeffry H. and Jodi R. for their CAP and Technology committees and thanks Councilmember Jeffry H. and Representative McCabe for attending tonight's meeting and for help on water issues.

Jon K. supports Councilmembers' comments and the popular Ice Festival. The Poker Ski fundraiser had 80 participants. The March 11 Oosik Ski Race needs volunteers. Pam Y. thanks Sierra Smith for her presentation and Jon K. for grooming the ski trails

- 19. Next meeting is March 6. Jon K. will be away and Jeffry H. will lead the meeting.