The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Abbreviated Plat Hearing was held on April 2, 2025, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Assembly Chambers, located at 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Platting Officer Fred Wagner.

1. INTRODUCTION

A. Introduction of Staff Staff in Attendance:

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

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2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

(None)

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. MANNEHULEN: The request is to create two lots from Parcel 1, MSB Waiver Resolution #98-75-PWm, Recorded in Book 981 at Page 862 and re-recorded as instrument #2006-013959-0, to be known as MANNEHULEN SUBDIVISION, containing 5.2 acres +/-. The property is located east of Willow Lake, north of W. Long Lake Road, and west of W. Parks Highway (Tax ID # 19N04W17B007); within the NW 1/4 Section 17, Township 19 North, Range 04 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Willow Community Council and in Assembly District #7. (Petitioner/Owner: Jon Fuglestad & Thomas Boling, Staff: Matthew Goddard, Case #2025-030)

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

Ms. Kayla Kinneen provided the mailing report.

Stated that 47 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 11, 2025.

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

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

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

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to update Condition of Approval #4 to read

> "Remove/relocate all structures currently in violation of MSB 17.55.010 Setbacks. Provide platting staff an updated as-built or a letter from a surveyor certifying that no

setback violations exist, nor will any be created by the proposed action."

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

of fact.

4. ADJOURNMENT

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

FRED WAGNER, PLS

Platting Officer

ATTEST:

KAYLA KINNEEN,

Platting Administrative Specialist

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Abbreviated Plat Hearing was held on April 9, 2025, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Assembly Chambers, located at 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Platting Officer Fred Wagner.

1. INTRODUCTION

A. Introduction of Staff Staff in Attendance:

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

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2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

(None)

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. <u>BUTTE VIEW:</u> The request is to create two lots from U.S. Government Lots 15 & 17, Sec. 26 T. 17N R. 02E S.M., AK. (Tax ID 17N02E26D012) to be known as **BUTTE VIEW**, containing 2.77 acres +/. The property is located directly east and west of S. Old Glenn Highway, and north of E. Sullivan Avenue. within the SE ½ Section 26, Township 17 North, Range 02 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Butte Community Council and Assembly District 1. (*Petitioner/Owner: Ross Johansson, Staff: Chris Curlin, Case #2025-035*)

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

Ms. Kayla Smith provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 33 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 18, 2025.

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

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

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

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 9 conditions. There are 4 findings of fact.

B. **EHMANN ACRES:** The request is to adjust the lot line between Tract 6, Finger Lake Heights RSB (Plat #66-18) and Lot 7-A, Finger Lake RSB B/1 L/7&8 (Plat# 79-354), (Tax ID's 6111000T006 &1683000L007-A) to be known as **EHMANN ACRES**, containing 4.94 acres +/. The property is located directly west of E. Francis Lane and directly south and east of Finger Lake; within Section 34, Township 18 North, Range 01 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the North Lakes and South Lakes Community Councils and Assembly District #4. (Petitioner/Owner: Jim Ehmann, Staff: Chris Curlin, Case #2025-037)



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

Ms. Kayla Smith provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 72 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 18, 2025.

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.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 6 conditions. There are 4 findings

of fact.

4. ADJOURNMENT

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

FŘED WAGNER, PLS

Platting Officer

ATTEST:

KAYLA SMITH,

Platting Administrative Specialist

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Abbreviated Plat Hearing was held on April 16, 2025, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Assembly Chambers, located at 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Platting Officer Fred Wagner.

1. INTRODUCTION

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A. Introduction of Staff Staff in Attendance:

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

2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. SHERWOOD FOREST: The request is to bring the approved SHERWOOD FOREST SUBDIVISION back for modification. The petitioner is requesting the removal of Condition of Approval #4. The property is located east of E. Outer Springer Loop, west of the Matanuska River, and directly north of E. Lawalter Road (Tax ID # 17N02E10B005); within the NW 1/4 Section 10, Township 17 North, Range 02 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Greater palmer Community Council and in Assembly District #2. (Petitioner/Owner: Thomas & Marissa Van Thiel, Staff: Matthew Goddard, Case #2025-008)

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

Ms. Kayla Smith provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 12 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 25, 2025.

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

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

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

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

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

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. <u>BRAINS BEND</u>: The request is to create two lots from lots 3, 4, and 5 of Block 2, Knik Homesites Subdivision, Plat No. 65-13, to be known as **BRAINS BEND**, containing 1.92 acres +/-, (Tax ID 6165B02L003,L004,L005), by adjusting the common lot lines. The plat is located directly south of S. Marion Way, north of W. Ann Lane, and West of S. Joseph Avenue; located within the NW ¼ Section 17, Township 16 North, Range 02 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Knik-Fairview Community Council and in Assembly District #5. (Petitioner/Owner: William & Mirja Brain, Staff: Wyatt Anderson, Case #2025-039)

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



Ms. Kayla Smith provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 47 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 25, 2025.

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, William Brain had a question about setbacks and agreed to Condition of Approval.

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

B. CHICKADEE ESTATES: The request is to create two lots from Tract 1, Philo's Pholly, Plat No. 69-30 to be known as CHICKADEE ESTATES, containing 9.65 acres +/-. The property is located west of Wasilla Creek, south of E. Parks Highway, and east of E. Fairview Loop (Tax ID # 1049000T001); within the NW 1/4 Section 17, Township 17 North, Range 01 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Gateway Community Council and in Assembly District #3. (Petitioner/Owner: Amanda Hirke, Staff: Matthew Goddard, Case #2025-041)

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

Ms. Kayla Smith provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 44 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 25, 2025.

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

- John Stewart
- James Crawford
- Greg Peters
- David M. Crawford

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

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

The petitioner's representative, Dayna Rumfelt spoke and agreed to Conditions of Approval.

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

C. <u>IDITAPARCEL ADDITION II:</u> The request is to create three lots from Lot 1, Iditaparcel, Plat No. 98-82, Lot 3A, Iditaparcel Add. 1, Plat No. 2006-96, & Lot 13B, Snider #4, Plat No. 96-72 to be known as **IDITAPARCEL ADDITION II**, containing 3.38 acres +/-. The property is located south of W. Nelson Avenue, west of N. Lucille Street and directly north of W. Parks Highway (Tax ID #2072000L013B / 5797000L003A / 4766000L001); within

the N ½ Section 09, Township 17 North, Range 01 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the City of Wasilla and in Assembly District #4. (Petitioner/Owner: Noel Lowe, Staff: Matthew Goddard, Case #2025-043)

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner, read the case description into the record and stated that only two parcels are being created from one lot, and Conditions of Approval have been updated to reflect that.

Ms. Kayla Smith provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 36 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 25, 2025.

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, Dayna Rumfelt spoke.

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

4. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Platting Officer, Fred Wagner adjourned the meeting at 8:47 a.m.

FRED WAGNER, PLS

Platting Officer

ATTEST:

KAYLA SMITH,

Platting Administrative Specialist

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1. INTRODUCTION

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A. Introduction of Staff Staff in Attendance:

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• Mr. Fred Wagner, Platting Officer

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• Ms. Kayla Smith, Platting Administrative Specialist

2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

(None)

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. PRESTONS HILLS LOT 15A BLOCK 3: The request is to create 1 lot from Block 3, Lots 14, and 15 of, Preston Hills Subdivision, Plat No. 2009-31, to be known as Preston Hills Lot 15A Block 3 Subdivision, containing 1.9 acres +/-. The plat is located directly South of W. Glacier Peak Drive, West of S. Andrea Drive, and North of S. Preston Hills Drive; (Tax ID# 6881B03L013 & 6881B03L014); located within the NW ¼ Section 30, Township 17 North, Range 02 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Knik-Fairview Community Council and in Assembly District #5. (Petitioner/Owner: Matthew & Sage Lakeman, Staff: Wyatt Anderson, Case #2025-043)

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

Ms. Kayla Smith provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 66 public hearing notices were mailed out on April 1, 2025.

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

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

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

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

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

B. EARLES LOT 1 AND LOT 2: The request is to create two lots from Tract 1, Earles, Plat No. 2003-80, (Tax ID# 5379000T001) to be known as Earles Lot 1 and Lot 2, containing 8.45 acres +/-. Parcel is located north of E. Maud Road, south of E. Smith Road, and directly west of N. Smith Road, lying within Section 2, Township 17 North, Range 02 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Butte Community Council and Assembly District 1. (Petitioner/Owner: Larry Earles, Staff: Chris Curlin, Case #2025-044)



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

Ms. Kayla Smith provided the mailing report.

• Stated that 20 public hearing notices were mailed out on April 1, 2025.

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

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

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

The petitioner/petitioner's representative was not present.

MOTION: Platting Officer Fred Wagner moved to approve with 6 conditions. There are 4 findings of fact.

4. ADJOURNMENT

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

FRED WAGNER, PLS

Platting Officer

ATTEST:

KAYLA SMITH,

Platting Administrative Specialist

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH AGRICULTURE ADVISORY BOARD

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Chairman – LaMarr Anderson (01)	Tony West (03)	Dylan Blankenship (06)	Kenneth Hoffman (10)
Vice Chair – Misty O'Connor (09)	Alexandria Hoffman (04)	Adam Jenski (07)	Thomas Bergey (11)
Sharmin Oathout (02)	Jozef Slowik (05)	VACANT (08)	Abby Raisanen(12)

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING DSJ BUILDING LOWER LEVEL CONFERENCE ROOM

March 19, 2025 4:30 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

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

Members present and establishing a quorum were: LaMarr Anderson (left 5:15 pm), Misty O'Connor (arrived 4:38 p.m.), Sharmin Oathout, Tony West, Jozef Slowik (by phone), Dylan Blankenship, Adam Jenski, and Abby Raisanen

Members absent and excused: Alexandria Hoffman, Kenneth Hoffman

Members absent: Thomas Bergey

Staff present: Suzanne Reilly, Asset Manager

Joseph Metzger, Land Management Division Manager Margie Cobb, Department Administrative Specialist

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Agenda approved as presented.

III. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Limit 3 minutes)

Rob Wells: Passed around a dahlia tuber and shared about his farm business. Barbara Beckage/ARRC: Observing the meeting; assists with farm loans.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The February 19, 2025 Minutes were approved as presented.

V. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- A. Staff Report Suzanne Reilly
 - Welcomed new Board Members, Ms. Oathout and Mr. Blankenship.
 - Shared letter that MSB Assessments has for the incorporation of the State Ag
 deferment for buildings. Concerns expressed by Board will be discussed with
 Assessments.
 - Mat-Su Farms list has been updated; still soliciting input from the Board to make this list as complete as possible.
 - Proposal by Chairman Anderson that the Board meet during the summer months to keep momentum on code changes they are working on. Approved unanimously.



B. Resolution 25-01: A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH AGRICULTURE ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDING THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY ADOPT ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 25-018, CONVEYING THE BOROUGH'S DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS INTEREST TO MARK AND SANDRA STAHL FOR FEE SIMPLE TITLE WITH AGRICULTURAL COVENANTS (MSB001274).

Ms. Reilly shared a brief staff report. Mr. West moved to approve this Resolution; Mr. Jenski seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Work Session – New Title

Mr. Blankenship motioned to go into Committee As A Whole at 5:15 p.m; Mr. Jenski seconded. Notes from this work session attached.

Ms. O'Connor motioned to come out of Committee as a Whole at 6:09 pm; Mr. Blankenship seconded.

VI. MEMBER COMMENTS (Limit to 3 minutes)

Mr. Metzger: Offered new Board members to sit with staff for an Ag Program 101.

Mr. Blankenship: Happy to be here; exciting time to be in agriculture in Alaska.

Ms. Oathout: More you talk about things that are important to you the more you work things out. Happy to be here.

Mr. West: What we put down will be around for a long time; as we have these discussions with more people and more information out there, we will have better resource to build what is best for this community.

Mr. Slowik: Good discussion, valid points. Need a mentor farmer program to help new farmers, give them pointers.

Ms. O'Connor: Expressed that no one expects this to be a couple meetings. Welcomed new Board members; glad you're on board..

VII. NEXT MEETING: April 16, 2025

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. O'Connor adjourned the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

Mist O'Comnor, Vice Chairman

DATE

ATTEST:

Margie Cobb

Department Administrative Specialist

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MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH AGRICULTURE ADVISORY BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 25-02

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH AGRICULTURE ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDING THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY ADOPT ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 25-023, CONVEYING THE BOROUGH'S DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS INTEREST TO TORY AND CYNTHIA OLECK FOR FEE SIMPLE TITLE WITH AGRICULTURAL COVENANTS (MSB001235).

WHEREAS, the Borough Agriculture Advisory Board was enacted by Matanuska-Susitna Borough Ordinance 15-050 to review issues specifically related to and affecting Borough agriculture lands, and advise the Assembly and Manager on such matters; and

WHEREAS, the Agriculture Advisory Board asked Land and Resource Management staff to develop a program to convert and merge the Borough's development rights held in deeds for the 1977, 1981, 1982, and 1983 agricultural land sales programs; and

WHEREAS, on November 22, 2022, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly approved Informational Memorandum No. 22-224 and Resolution Serial No. 22-105, amending Title 23 Real Property and the Land and Resource Management Policy and Procedures Manual Part 5, for the Agricultural Land Sales under former Title 13 that occurred in 1977, 1981, 1982, and 1983 and merge the Borough's development right with the agricultural rights title for fee simple title with agricultural covenants; and

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Land and Resource Management Division received an application from Tory and Cynthia Oleck to acquire the remaining interest in the land estate of Tax



ID 19N05W13C002; and

WHEREAS, Tory and Cynthia Oleck qualify to purchase the remaining interest in a land estate in accordance with MSB Title 23 and Land and Resource Management Policy and Procedures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Agriculture Advisory Board recommends the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly hereby adopt Ordinance Serial No. 25-023, conveying the Borough's development rights interest to Tory and Cynthia Oleck for fee simple title with agricultural covenants.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Agricultural Advisory Board this $16^{\rm th}$ day of April, 2025.

Misty O'Connor, Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

Margie Cobb,

Department Administrative Specialist

	Big Lake Community Council – AK No	n-profit Corporation Entity #129975 – 501 (c	c)(3) EIN: 81-1737114				
	xPresident: Jodi RiddellxVice President: Margaret BillingerxSecretary: Lisa BehrensxTreasurer: Irene CrowleyxDirector at Large: David Haggard	RECEIVED APR 1 1 2025	Big Lake Community Counci				
_	xDirector at Large: Lindy Moss xDirector at Large: Michael Dale	CLERKS OFFICE	PO Box 520931 Big Lake, AK 99652-0931				
		ship Meeting – March 11, 2025 - ake Lions Recreation Center	- 7:00 PM				
	MINUTES						
1.)	Call to Order/ Determination of Quorum By: Jodi Riddell Time: 7:04pm Quorum: Yes Attendees: 17 membra	ers, 7 board members					
2.)	Pledge of Allegiance						
3.)	Agenda Approval Motion: Michael Dale Second: Yes						
4.)	Previous Meeting Minutes Approval (Feb. Motion: Margaret Billinger Second: Y						
5.)	Treasurer's Report Checking: \$22,239.71 Savings: \$3,3	61.38 Money Market (Jorda	n Lake Park project): \$9,786.81				
6.)	Membership Report	,					
	Voting Members renewed for 2025: 52 (plus 6 additional renewals prior	to meeting start)				

Associates (non-voting) renewed for 2025: 7 7.) Presentation(s) (15 Minutes per presentation)

- 1. Kelly Kilpatrick DOT Project Specialist re: Church & Big Lake Road projects. Big Lake Road project will not happen in 2025. The bid process will happen this year with construction in 2026. Scott Wilson: if Big Lake Rd is not going to happen this year, will the Hollywood project start? Answer: Unknown. Scott Wilson: Will anything be paved in Mat Su Borough this construction season? Answer: Unknown. Question: Does the project include any additional road lighting? Answer: No. Multiple questions from the membership regarding the change in schedule for the projects. Answer: Funding issues.
- 2. <u>Hugh Leslie MSB Parks, Recreation, & Library Services Manager to talk about residual funds \$66k</u> from Jay Nolfi Park improvements. The Jay Nolfi - Fish Creek Park project was completed on time and under budget, with ribbon cutting in September 2024. As of now roughly \$66,000 remains in the project fund. What would the community like to see the residual funds used for? There have been some ideas forwarded. It would be beneficial to have a community group assigned to guide the use of the remaining funds before the end of the fiscal year. Floyd Shilanski: Could residual funds be transferred for use in the Jordan Lake Park project. Answer: That may be possible, in accordance with MSB process for requesting authority to reallocate funds. Jodi Riddell: will schedule a committee meeting (Sunday, March 16) and organize volunteers to decide what to do with the remaining \$66,000 in Fish Creek - Jay Nolfi Park project funds.



8.) Reports

1. Legislative (State House & Senate)

Senator Shower: via email from Shonda Erickson – no news to report

Representative McCabe: not available

2. Assembly (District 5)

Assembly Representative Gamble: not available due to concurrent MSB Assembly meeting

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3. Fire Service (West Lakes Fire Department – WLFD)

Chief Fairchild — Call volume is steadily increasing in 2025, often with multiple simultaneous calls (most medical assists). Ongoing efforts are being made to increase staffing, as the department continues to rely on volunteer/on-call responders vs full time employees. Last month: 71 calls. Yeat-to-date 2025: 187 calls. One fire fatality occurred this year due to no smoke or CO alarms. Reminder: WLFD has smoke/CO alarms available to provide to community members at no charge. Upcoming events: May 3 Wildland Fire awareness day. May 10 brush chipping day. Heads-up — due to the low snowfall this past winter, wildland fire season is likely to start early and be more severe than usual. WLFD has extra equipment available and is maintaining a high level of alert this spring. Burn permits are on the back table of the meeting room tonight — please apply early this year.

4. Road Service Area: no updates

9.) Correspondence

1. Will distribute via BLCC email group

10.) Unfinished Business

- <u>Lake Setback Ordinance & Waterbody Setback Advisory Board</u> Update: Meeting tomorrow (3/12) https://matsugov.us/boards/waterbody-setback-advisory-board
- 2. CAPSIS State Grant application Update from Jodi Riddell

11.)New Business

1. none

12.)Persons to be Heard (3 Minutes per person)

Jim Faiks: Jordan Lake Committee – Status update provided. \$10k collected with \$10k to go. Waiting to hear if any CIP money is made available this year. Clearing work has started. McKenna Bros. & Fishers have both offered fill materials. Next meeting Saturday March 22 at 10:00am. <u>Larry McKinstry</u>: Fundraising update. Progress is slow but steady. Two grant applications were submitted: MEA – \$10k request, and Rasmusen Foundation – \$20k request. The Rasmusen first phase application has been successful, and committee is waiting for news of further phases.

13.) Announcements (Check the BLCC website for additional details biglakecommunitycouncil.com)

- Bill Haller: April 4&5 wrestling tournament with dinner on April 12. May 3&4 Houston High School gun show. April 12-18 Big Lake Spring cleanup. June 14 mud volleyball. Pickleball available at Big Lake Lions club available possibly next week, dependent on availability of volunteer assistants.
- 2. <u>Cheryl Metiva</u>: Saturday, May 12 Rotarians fundraiser with Big Lions Club.
- 3. Jodi Riddell: Big Lake Library Auction this Sunday 3/20
- 4. <u>Jill Parson</u>: Big Lake Library book sale this Saturday 3/19, 12:00-3:00pm

14.)Board Member Closing Comments

- 1. Jodi Riddell: Check out the BLCC website for all of Michael Dale's hard work and updates. biglakecommunitycouncil.com
- 2. Margaret Billinger: Happy St. Patrick's Day
- 3. Irene Crowley:
- 4. Dave Haggard:
- 5. Lindy Moss: Going to western regionals with 14 students soon
- 6. Michael Dale: Update on what's new with the BLCC Website... Please take a look
- 7. Lisa Behrens:

15.) Adjournment

Motion: Michael Dale Second: Yes Time: 7:54pm

Signature Jod Riddell, President - Big Lake Community Council

Attestation - Lisa, Behrens, Secretary - Big Lake Community Council Date

Butte Community Council Minutes

Butte Community Center 3881 S. Butte Rd. 7:00 PM March 12th,2025 RECEIVED

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Call to Order-7:08 PM

Roll Call and Determination of Quorum-Quorum Established with boardmembers Linda, Ron, Janet, Elaine and Taylor present. +7 community members

Pledge of Allegiance-Led by John Whisamore

Approval of Agenda-1st Linda Cox, 2nd MItzi

Officers Reports

Secretary's Report - Approval of February Minutes 1st Elaine, 2nd Steve Johnson

Treasurer's Report-Treasurer not present, report same as last month

Correspondence-none

President's Report-Will continue to work on serving area layout

Special Presentations - Interest in comprehensive plan for Butte Community?

John Whisamore spoke on Borough Comprehensive Plan for Borough owned land in Butte.

John will ask people at Butte Community Picnic if there would be interest

Committee Reports (2 minutes each)

Neighborhood Watch-Taylor received a couple of concerns by citizens

Community Patrol-Mike Morrow will be making new schedule to distribute to volunteers

<u>Little Angels Playground</u> -waiting for warmer weather in order to clean up and put gravel down

Butte Community Sign-none

Community Reports (3 minutes each)

Butte Fire Department-none

Road Service (RSA No. 26)-Mild winter-some flooding-some frozen culverts

Assembly-none

School District-none

Legislature-none

Old Business

Serving Area - Community Center-(Discussed in President's report)

New Business

Butte Community Picnic (June 14th) John Whisamore volunteered to chair committee. Janet will help. Will contact Beth and Carol for help, ideas and support

Adjournment - 8:11 PM Moved by Mitzi

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Next Meeting April 9th

Upcoming items of Interest:

4th Annual Butte Community Picnic – June 14th Butte Community Cleanup May 17th-18th

> ____President 4/9/2025 _____Secretary 4/9/2025

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Matanuska-Susitna Borough Butte Fire Service Area Board of Directors Minutes

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Regular Meeting: 9 January 2025

Meeting Time: 10:00 a.m. Location: Butte Station 21

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- I. Call to order: As the meeting was properly noticed and a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Gregory Nilsson, Butte FSA Chair.
- II. Roll Call: Gregory Nilsson, Mitzi Van Asdlan Present

 Fire Department Staff: Chief Michael Shipton, Director Brian

 Davis Present

Guest: Shawn Kennerson

- III. Stood for the Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Minutes of the 14 November 2024 meeting were read and approved.
- V. Reports/Correspondence: Chief Shipton reported a combined total of 6580 hours of training was conducted for 2024. The number of call outs was down from 2023. Our department continues with it's community outreach of installing smoke alarms and address signs as well as conducting CPR classes and participating in public events. A new pumper/tender and a new command vehicle have been ordered. The pumper/tender is 12-18 months out and the command vehicle should be available in May 2025.
- VI. Financial: There was nothing of note in the financial report for 2025 since this is the start of the year.
- VII. Director's Report: Dir. Davis had no input other than to say emergency services in the borough are running smoothly and grant applications for several projects are in work.



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Butte Fire Service Area Board of Directors
Regular Meeting 9 January 2025

VIII. Other Business: None

IX. Adjournment: 10:54 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mitzi Van Asdlan

Assistant to the Chair

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Central Mat-Su FSA Board of Supervisors Meeting

Station 61 – 101 W. Swanson Ave. Wasilla, AK

Chairman: D. Eller

Vice Chairman: J. Steele

Board Members:

B. Davis

L. Szipszky

C. Robinson

Jan 13, 2025 - 6 P.M.

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Central Mat-Su Fire Service Area Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at 101 W. Swanson Ave. Wasilla, AK on Jan 13, 2025.

II. ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Board Members present and establishing a quorum for the Central Mat-Su FSA:

Chairman Dave Eller, Vice Chairman James Steele, Brian Davis, Craig Robinson and Luke Szipszky.

Also present: Michael Keenan, Chief, Central Mat-Su Fire Department (CMSFD) and Shari Lamz, Admin. Assistant, CMSFD and Ken Barkly, Director, Emergency Services.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Barkley led the "Pledge of Allegiance."

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION:

Mr. Steele moved, and Mr. Szipszky seconded, to approve the meeting agenda as

presented with one correction.

VOTE:

The motion passed unanimously.

V. APPROVAL OF PRECEDING MEETING MINUTES

MOTION:

Mr. Szipszky moved, and Mr. Davis seconded, to approve the Oct 14, 2024 joint board

meeting minutes as presented.



VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

VI. BOARD REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Chiefs Report

Budget

FY25 Budget is looking good, watching the overtime

Run Stats

Nov 2024 total number of calls - 207

- Structure Fires 8
- Rescue Calls 90
- Medic assists 57

Dec 2024 total number of calls - 187

- Structure Fires 3
- Rescue Calls 75
- Medic Assists 58
 - Total 2024 Runs 2496

Personnel Update

- Permitting Clerk Advertised
- Deputy Fire Marshal Interviews completed today
- Fire Captain Advertised
- CRR specialist Going to keep this as an FSA
- Building support worker- Interviews completed last Friday

Projects

52/65 Station

- Property for the new station will be finalized at the at the assembly meeting Jan 21
- A project manager has been assigned and we are starting the planning process which includes surveying, well and design

ISO

- We maintained our 4/10 rating and intend to challenge the scoring to get a 3/10
- We are only 6 points shy to get a 3/10

New Engines

- We are still working on placing the two new Spartan Rescue Engines into service
- Having some issues with the CAFS system that we are working on with Spartan

Fire-Vac

- The new upgraded Kussmal (battery charger and air compressor), radios, lights have been installed
- The truck is at fleet maintenance to install the on-spot chains
- Once the engines are in service, we will be mounting the equipment and start training on the new tender
- The new tender will be going to Station 6-5

Tactical Tender

Still on the assembly line, inspection date – March 2025

Heavy Rescue

In service

Pumper Tender 62

- Final inspection complete, they did a great job of repairing it
- It should be back in service mid-February

Fiscal Year 26

- CIPS total \$8,422,000.00
 - New Station 52/65 \$5,500,000.00
 - Refurbishment of Rescue Engine 5-1 \$750,000.00
 - Type 3 Wildland Engine \$672,000.00
 - Training complex build out (Tech Rescue Area) \$1,000,000.00
 - Multi-Purpose Tractor \$175,000.00
 - Station Alerting Upgrade (5-1 and 6-2) \$300,000.00
 - Covered storage at 6-2 training area \$25,000.00

New Station 5-2

- We will have a total of \$9,000,000.00 for this project when combining the previous projects and next year's \$5,500,000.00
- This station will combine 6-5 and 5-2 into one operational station
- 6-5 will keep its station number and become DES headquarters. The new station will be number 5-2.
- Station Features roughly 15,000 square feet, living quarters for 10 personnel, three 100' drivethrough bays
- Fill site tank and pump system
- Director Barkley stated he talked to the Manager about DES purchasing Station 6-5

· Engine Refurbishment - Rescue Engine 5-1

- Built in 2010, to replace right now would cost roughly \$1.7 million and a delivery date of 4-5 years
- Refurbishment will cost between \$750,000 \$1,000,000 and delivered in 18 months
- Refurbishment basically gives us a new truck with a warranty
 - Engine overhaul does not have to meet the new emission standards
 - Pump/CAFS overhaul
 - Electrical upgrade/replacement including lights
 - New frame rails
 - New paint

Type 3 Wildland Engine

- New lighter weight and more maneuverable truck
- Same pump/tank configuration as the current type 3's
- 600-gallon water tank/500 GPM pump with CAFS
- This will give us a type 3 engine at each of the staffed stations
- Potential to start using the Type 3's for medic assist calls

Training Complex Build Out

- Continue building out the master plan for the training complex.
- Technical Rescue Site: Trench, confined space, and building collapse

Multi-Purpose Tractor

 Maintenance of the grounds of the training complex and other stations: Brush and grass, snow removal and dirt work

Station Alerting Upgrade Station 6-2 and 5-1

• 6-2 was not designed to run EMS and the system needs to be extended to the training side

• 5-1 needs upgraded due to age

Dry storage area - Station 6-2 Training Area

- Construction of a dry storage area (roof) between two containers at the training complex
- Allows for storage of training materials
- We can use Willow Fire Department plans since they recently completed a similar project

Fund Balance

- The estimated current reserve fund is \$10,471,118.62
- Station 6-2 (note due March 1, 2031) has the \$3,115,000.00 in that fund available if needed
- The board recommends they would like to have at least \$3,000,000.00 in the fund balance
- Mr. Steele shared that the finance director cautioned him that if we meet our full revenue target and fully expend the FY25 budget, our fund balance will be around \$6,000,000. We would be drawing approximately \$4,000,000 from our reserve fund. Chief Keenan stated he was not aware of this information that the finance director shared, as a result, he could not factor it into his budget proposal.
- Direct Barkley stated that the MSB is using Cleargov, a program that allows him to see a live view of any changes to the FY26 budget.
- Chief Keenan stated if he had to cut some something from the CIP projects it would the following: New 5-2 and/or ENG/Brush Truck
- Long Term Revenue: Selling of Station 5-2 and 6-5

Fiscal Year 2026

Operating Budget

- Budget is very close to last year
- Increased wages \$310,569.00, adding three new full-time Battalion Chief positions
- 426.700 NFPA physicals for all personnel and to support other health and wellness programs

Fire Code Budget

• 411.100 – 2nd full time permitting clerk

Station 5-1 Budget

Overall lowered per 5-year trends

Station 6-1 Budget

Overall lowered per 5-year trends

Central Mat-Su (250.000.000) Budget:	\$ 16,188,282.00	\$ 20,315,950.00	
Fire Code (250.160.320) Budget	T	\$ 779,250.00	These numbers will auto populate here when the budgets are complete on the related tabs below.
Station 61 (250.160.350) Budget	\$ 288,426.00	\$ 259,650.00	These numbers will auto populate here when the budgets are complete on the related tabs below.
Station 51 (250.160.351) Budget	\$ 106,837.30	\$ 75,569.00	These numbers will auto populate here when the budgets are complete on the related tabs below.
Expenditures Total:	\$ 17,364,827.30	\$21,430,419.00	Expenses for all tabs (Central / Fire Code / St 51 / St 61)

Estimated Revenue Total:	\$ 13,530,400.00	\$ 13,530,400.00	Using last years adopted revenue budget amount for next fiscal year.
Net Balance:	\$ (3,834,427.30)	\$ (7,900,019.00)	Revenue minus Expenses for all tabs (Central / Fire Code / St 51 / St 61)
Current/Estimated Reserve Fund Balance:	· + - / /	\$ 4,748,440.70	Per the "Reconciliation of Fund Balance" in the Borough Approved Budget

- Director Barkley suggested waiting a month for Chief Keenan to have the finance director and Talia
 review the numbers and schedule a special meeting in February. Chief Keenan also expressed a
 preference for having the finance director present at the special meeting
- Special Meeting scheduled Feb 3, 2025, 6 pm Station 6-1
- IX. OTHER BUSINESS (other items of discussion not listed on agenda)
- X. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION & BOARD COMMENTS
- XI. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Eller adjourned the board meeting at approximately 7:58 p.m.

ATTEST:

Shari Lamz, Admin. Assistant, Central Mat-Su FSA B.O.S.

Minutes approved on: 4/14/2

DAVE ELLER, Chairman, Central Mat-Su FSA B.O.S.

Central Mat-Su FSA Board of Supervisors Meeting

Station 61 – 101 W. Swanson Ave. Wasilla, AK

Chairman: D. Eller Vice Chairman: J. Steele

Board Members:

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February 3, 2025 - 6 P.M.

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SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Central Mat-Su Fire Service Area Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at 101 W. Swanson Ave. Wasilla, AK on February 3, 2025.

II. ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Board Members present and establishing a quorum for the Central Mat-Su FSA:

Chairman Dave Eller, Vice Chairman James Steele, Brian Davis, and Luke Szipszky.

Also present: Michael Keenan, Chief, Central Mat-Su Fire Department (CMSFD); Casey Laughlin, Admin. Assistant, DES Admin; Ken Barkly, Director, Emergency Services; Brian Davis, Fire Deputy Director, Emergency Services; Cheyenne Heindel, Finance Director; Lyndsey Brisard, Revenue and Budget Division Manager; Jake Boothby, Assistant Fire Chief, CMSFD; and Adam Schou, Fire Captain, CMSFD.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Barkley led the "Pledge of Allegiance."

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION:

Mr. Steele moved, and Mr. Davis seconded, to approve the meeting agenda as presented.

VOTE:

The motion passed unanimously.



V. BUDGET DISCUSSIONS

Chief Keenan presented a PowerPoint outlining the submitted budget proposals and recommended changes for Fiscal Year 2026:

- 1. Capital budget original request of \$8,422,000. Proposed changes to capital budget would reduce it by \$4,172,000, resulting in a final requested balance of \$4,250,000 for FY26.
 - New Station 5-2 \$2,000,000.00 Forward Funding
 - i. Currently we have \$4,000,000.00 in combined projects we can use for land clearing, surveying, a well and design.
 - Engine 5-1 Refurbishment \$950,000.00
 - i. Added \$200,000.00 due to updated estimate.
 - Training complex \$1,000,000.00
 - Station Alerting \$300,000.00
 - Removed
 - i. Wildland Engine \$672,000.00
 - ii. Covered Storage \$25,000.00
- 2. Operating budget original request of \$4,250,000. No recommended changes.

Discussion surrounded fund balance calculations and the mil rates, as well as what the impact would be with the changes that are proposed to the capital budget.

Ms. Heindel stated: She wanted to remind everyone that Central still has the 2013 COP's outstanding that will come out of the fund balance. There is \$1.4 million remaining with annual payments of \$351,000.

Station 6-2 debt is still out there but not coming out of this budget. It is coming out of the debt services fund and the annual payments are \$499,000. There is \$2.9 million left to be paid with a principal balance of \$3.1 million. In 2024 it accrued approximately \$27,000 in interest. It will be fully paid in 2031.

Mr. Barkley stated that the 3 battalion chiefs requested in the FY26 operating budget are potentially going to be on hold.

MOTION:

Mr. Steele moved, and Mr. Davis seconded, to accept Chief Keenan's capital proposal and add \$1,000,000 to the Station 52/65 building.

VI. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Mr. Boothby stated that he believes it's important to fund the refurbishment of the trucks as they are behind in their replacement schedules of apparatus. He would like to see the engine replacement cycle accelerated and be a priority item, and to back off on some other things.

All were in favor of the motion with none opposed.

Chief Keenan requested the board to also approve the proposed FY26 operating budget.

MOTION:

Mr. Steele moved, and Mr. Szipszky seconded, to approve Chief Keenan's presentation of the operating budget and that the mil levy not be reduced below 1.846. All were in favor, none were opposed.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Eller adjourned the board meeting at 6:48 p.m.

DAVE ELLER, Chairman, Central Mat-Su FSA B.O.S.

ATTEST:

Casey Laughlin, Dept. Admin. Spec., DES Administration

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Minutes approved on: 4/24/25

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

Date/Time:

01/22/2025 6:00PM

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Location: Talkeetna Latitude 62 Lodge

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The meeting was called to order at ____6 __PM

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

Jerry Boutte (via Phone), Mike Woods and Tim Cox and Sara Hogan (absent Peg Foster)

Chase Community landowners present:

Beth Pike, Molly Woods, R Denny, Patricia Cox, Dylan Cox, Johnny Murdock, Claire, Ivor, Marah, Weston, Craig Richards

MINUTES The minutes of the October quarterly were read, Tim Cox made a motion to approve the minutes and Sara Hogan seconded. The minutes approved by the council at large

Correspondence: Our treasurer received an e- mail from the borough saying we could apply for another round of community assistance grant funds in the amount of 15,789 to be received between Sept. 2025 and Feb. 2026. An application for said grant funds needs to be received by the borough no later than March 15th 2025. The council at large was asked whether we should apply for said grants and all were in favor of applying.

We received a request from the Talkeetna Council to support them in applying for a grant to make bear barrels which would be available for purchase for locals who have bear problems

Treasurer's Report:

Our treasurer said we have 50,377.98 in our account at present with future 2026 community assistance grant funds of 15,789 available in the future.

Our treasurer who is also the sole member of the community assistance grant committee needs to be added to the persons able to write checks off our mat-su federal credit union bank account. Let it be known that the Chase Community Council Board of Directors approved Sara Hogan as a person to be added to the Chase checking account.

Announcements:

Susitna River Dam Committee - No new information from Dam committee legislators are not pursuing Dam projects at present but we need to monitor this issue to be sure things don't change in the future

Old Business

2 1/22/2025

Some discussion was made about obtaining gravel for future repairs to be made on the main Chase Trail from the Talkeetna river bridge to the mile 232 RR crossing. Our chairman did get a-hold of a railroad employee who said that the railroad would be able to get us some gravel staged along our trail after breakup in the spring.

The committee that was formed to investigate taking over the lease on the Talkeetna Parking lot that Chase residents and land owners use has determined that all the issues that would arise from our taking over the parking lot would be above what our small community council would be able to undertake as such the idea of taking over the parking lot has been deemed beyond our abilities.

New Business

The Talkeetna River Railroad bridge's new walkway is now done. It is currently 47" the same width as the old walkway was but does have an option of widening it to 50" via another set of existing bolt holes. It was decided by the Chase Community Council last year that we wanted the bridge width to stay the same as the original bridge though we were open to having the bridge 50" wide with bollards 47" apart on both sides of the bridge walkway to restrict access to the original 47". It was thought that our fragile existing trail system could not handle the larger more powerful ATV's and side-by-sides that widening the bridge would allow to access our community trials. Several land owners would prefer the 50" option, there was a lot of discussion at the meeting on this issue. It was left that we would address this issue at our next meeting in April. We were told by the railroad that we could extend the walkway to the 50" width for approximately \$20,000. It was brought up at the meeting that doing this this year while it is a fresh issue might be easier than waiting a few years, when all the new ATV's and snow-machines may get too wide to cross the 47" walkway. Possible options would be leave the walkway as it is now at 47", get the walkway extended to 50" this year and leave the bollards at 47" for now to restrict the accessible width, or extend to 50" and remove the bollards. If the walkway is widened we will need to address our compact atv designation.

The three new Chase Community Council Board members are Donnie Billington, Tim Cox and Sara Hogan. The officers will be Mike Woods chairman, Tim Cox vice-chairman, Jerry Boutte secretary and Sarah Hogan treasurer.

A lot of discussion was made about future trail work. We are hoping to finalize the plan for some extensive work next summer on our main section of trail from the Talkeetna RR Bridge to mile 232 gravel pit. As mentioned in old business the railroad was contacted and has said that they would be able to stage gravel along our trail this summer but haven't mentioned cost. It is hoped that we can get the gravel dumped along the trail this summer for distributing it onto the trail this fall. Operators and equipment would also be needed. The Community Assistance Grants will be used for said project.

Persons to be Heard

Tim Cox moved to adjourn the meeting and Mike Woods seconded. The motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted b	/Beth	Pike	(acting	secretary)	
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Minutes Approved , Chairperson Date: Mr-9,2025
, Secretary Date: 4-9-2025

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MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH Enhanced 911 ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

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February 11, 2025

The regular meeting of the Enhanced 911 Advisory Board was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman, Casey Cook.

Advisory Board members in attendance establishing a quorum were:

Lori Criqui, MatCom Casey Cook, MSB EM Jared Eison, City of Houston Earl Almdale, MSB IT Dwayne Shelton, Palmer Police Andrew Gorn, AST Aleeha Travis, MTA

Also in attendance were: Joel Butcher and Dan Robinson, MatCom; Nick Srebernak, MSB GIS; Zack McRae, MSB Telecom; Whitney Daw, Palmer Dispatch; Luke Szipsky, Palmer Police; Stephanie Nowers, Borough Assembly; Tracey Woelfel, MSB EOC; Daron Cooper, AST; and Donny Lane, DPS.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 2024 minutes as presented.

There was no objection to the approval of the December 10,

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PERSONS TO BE HEARD

None

REPORTS

GIS

Mr. Srebernak stated: He is working with Joel and the folks at MatCom on some GIS data info. He has some imagery ready to deliver to them on Thursday.

OLD BUSINESS

Interior Digital Mapping of School Buildings

Mr. Cook stated: Until the school district makes a request for this, there isn't anything we need to do further on it. He requested that it remain on the agenda.



Telecommunication Service Priority Program (TSP)

Chairman Cook asked Mr. Almdale if he had any updates; he said nothing yet, but will bump it up on the priority list.

Next Gen 911 Call Handling System and Core Services System

Chairman Cook stated: He received a call from the state, and they advised they got a grant to do a study to do enhanced 911 throughout the state, and he wondered if this is related to the core services.

Mr. Lane stated:

- 1. CISA (Cybersecurity Infrastructure Security Agency) has a cyber resilient 911 workshop where they are looking at bringing a little more attention to cyber threat landscape as far as it pertains to 911 and public safety.
- 2. They got a technical assist approved from CISA to work on a strategic Next Gen 911 transition plan. In 2025 he is going to be building out a couple of different working groups to get as many stakeholders as possible in the room while keeping the size of the group manageable. They will focus on the different foundational elements for Next Gen 911 and there will be some subject matter specialists coming from CISA to help draft a comprehensive plan that has real tangible steps, milestones, timelines, etc. He believes it will be a 10-year road map. There will be meetings here in March and from there they will be scheduling out more working group meetings. It is a big statewide effort.

NEW BUSINESS

MatCom Reimbursement Request – RAVE Mobile Safety \$34,561

Ms. Criqui stated: This allows us to do the reverse 911 outbound text.

MOTION: Mr. Shelton moved, and Mr. Eison seconded, to approve the RAVE Mobile Safety reimbursement to the City of Wasilla in the amount of \$34,561. All were in favor, none were opposed.

MSB Request - Adding Dispatchers to the Borough Contract \$340,000

Chairman Cook stated: The borough is asking for an additional \$231,200 from the E-911 fund to add one more console and two call takers/dispatchers to the borough dispatch contract for FY26. The total cost of \$340,000 would be cost shared, with \$108,800 coming from the borough's areawide budget and \$231,200 from the E-911 funds.

Discussion surrounded the number of call takers and dispatchers available, how they are shared between agencies, and the overall call volume at MatCom.

MOTION: Mr. Shelton moved, and Mr. Almdale seconded, to approve an additional \$231,200 from the E-911 budget to the borough's dispatch contract with MatCom to fund one console and two call takers/dispatchers for FY26. The motion passed with 5 in favor, Mr. Cook abstained, and Mr. Gorn opposed.

Palmer Dispatch Reimbursement Request – VESTA Phone System \$739,703

Mr. Szipsky stated: They are requesting a new upgraded phone system that would replace the Solacom system they are using now. Option 1 of the proposal includes full cost of the system deployment including hardware, software, licenses, system configuration, and training; first year of support and monitoring; installation and labor; and a three-year maintenance and warranty plan. Option one total is \$739,703.

Discussion surrounded the new phone system as a separate and stand-alone system from MatCom and whether or not it would provide the ability to have Palmer act as a true secondary PSAP with MatCom, provide redundancy for the borough if the 911 system went down, have the ability to call transfer directly from one system to the other, and whether Palmer and MatCom purchasing the same systems separately would solve our ongoing issues of providing improved services to the public.

MOTION: Chairman Cook moved, and Mr. Gorn seconded, to approve the reimbursement to the City of Palmer for Option 1 of their proposal in the amount of \$739,703 for a new VESTA telephone system. The motion passed with five members voting in favor, Ms. Travis abstaining, and Ms. Criqui opposing.

MatCom Reimbursement Request - VESTA Phone System \$1,718,174.66

Ms. Criqui stated: This is a much-needed upgrade that will bring a lot of Next Gen 911 functions and features with it. Once it is up and running, we will be able to consider Next Gen Core Services, which would bridge the gap between the two separate phone systems for Palmer and MatCom. The State is working on a ten-year buildout.

MOTION: Chairman Cook moved, and Mr. Shelton seconded, to approve the reimbursement to the City of Wasilla for their VESTA telephone system proposal, not to exceed \$1,718,174.66. The motion passed with five members voting in favor, and Mr. Almdale and Ms. Travis abstaining.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. FY25 Surcharge Revenue Chart
- B. FY25 E-911 Budget Performance Report
 - 1.Ms. Criqui asked if it was possible to add more funding to the training lines in the budget. It was identified that there was still funding in the training lines items, so we wouldn't ask for an increase at this time.
- C. 911 Quarterly Dispatch Call Reports (Mat-Com and Palmer).

COMMENTS

Mr. Almdale stated: He would like to see a technology working group put together from the members of this board to review proposals for equipment and technology purchases. Chairman Cook stated that we would add this as a new business item on the next agenda.

Mr. Lane stated: If anyone has questions on ESInet Next Gen core services, feel free to reach out and give him a call.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Chairman Cook announced the next regularly scheduled board meeting would be April 8, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Casey Cook, Chairmar

ATTEST:

Casey Laughlin, Secretary

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Greater Talkeetna Road Service Board of Supervisors Minutes of Regular Meeting March 13, 2025

A regular meeting of the Greater Talkeetna Road Service Area Board of Supervisors (RSA 29) was held via Zoom at 6:30 pm on March 13, 2025. Board members John Strasenburgh, Robert Gerlach and Billy FitzGerald attended. Borough Road Superintendent Wade Lyndaker also attended.

- ١. There was a quorum, and the meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.
- II. Minutes of the January 9, 2025 RSA 29 meeting were approved as written. Note our February 13, 2025 meeting was cancelled due to a noticing oversight.
- III. Wade's report and discussion included the following:
 - D&S use of the rock crusher, as a test, to shave down thick and problematic ice near the end of Main Street;
 - The presence of tour buses downtown, reportedly unloading 100 200 tourists, and questions on how this might affect maintenance of the downtown streets:
 - Glaciation and ice buildup on gravel roads especially near intersections;
 - Plans for pushing back the berms, winging, and other preparations for breakup.
- IV. The Board read, discussed, and approved unanimously Draft RSA 29 Resolution 25-01 which expresses its opposition to OR 25-017, legislation put forward by Assemblymember Bernier to mandate 5-member RSA boards throughout District 7. The RSA 29 Resolution provides the reasons why the Board opposes this legislation and asks that the Assembly vote it down.
- V. The Board re-elected John Strasenburgh as Primary Supervisor.
- VI. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 pm.

Sincerely,

John Strasenburgh

RSA 29 Primary Supervisor

Attested to by RSA 29 Board Member Robert Gerlach at our April 10, 2025 Regular Meetingheld via Zoom.



Lazy Mountain Community Council Meeting Minutes April 14, 2022

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7:00 PM at Lazy Mountain Bible Church Presiding Officer: James Buckingham, LMCC President

- Call Meeting to Order Called to order by Presiding Officer, James Buckingham at 7:05 PM 1.
 - a. Quorum established with 19 members in attendance, 3 more members showed up after
 - b. President read the purpose of Lazy Mountain Community Council LMCC Bylaws Art. III
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- Approval of Agenda MOTION: Approve the agenda with revisions of Lazy Mt Community Clean-up and III. picnic moved to New Business and MSB Planning Dept moved to Guest Speakers. Seconded. Approved
- Reading & Approval of Minutes from 10-14-21 Annual Meeting MOTION: Approve the minutes of the IV. LMCC Annual Meeting, October 14, 2021. Seconded. Approved unanimously.

٧. **Guest Speakers**

- a. Mark Whisenhunt & Peg, MSB Planning spoke about set up of planning department. Attending all community council meetings to hear questions from residents.
 - i. Planning long range plans, environmental aspects of future plans
 - ii. Platting subdivision of land, public rights-of-way
 - iii. Development Services permit center, land use development which require permits, code compliance & enforcement

VI. Reports

- a. Treasurer's Report Given by R. Cordes \$604.60 in checking, \$368.88 in savings
- b. RSA 19 Board Two new members, Dan Keane & Bob Stone. Looking for another member. Review complaints on the RSA19 roads and advise the MSB RSA "Big" Board
 - i. Dan Keane (907) 250-1863, dlkeane@gci.net

VII. **Unfinished Business**

a. Update on CAP Projects - Lorri Van Diest - All LMCC CAP funds have been dispersed. Projects on Lazy Mt Fire Station parking lot and Lazy Mt Trailhead parking lot will begin in Spring 2022. Palmer Fire Association emergency off-road vehicle is purchased and on back-order. Should be available for use in late summer 2022.

VIII. **New Business**

- a. LMCC website No motion. Lazy Mt CC business and announcements are done on Lazy Mt Facebook
- b. Lazy Mt Community Clean-Up & Picnic Date is set for May 21.
 - i. John Vinduska will be at the fire station at 10 AM on 5/21 to hand out garbage bags and record areas to be cleaned.
 - ii. MOTION: Have a picnic after the clean-up. Seconded. Approved unanimously.
 - iii. Picnic at NOON. It is a potluck. Bring enough meat to grill for your family and a little extra. Bring a side dish or casserole.

IX. Announcements

- a. Tim Hale, Assembly Representative, District 1 MSB Budget is the focus. Appraisals went up 13%. MSB Manager submitted budget based on mil rate of 9.3 (a decrease of 6.5%). Highest budget item is education and school bond debt. Budget information is located on MSB website. Tim Hale (907) 590-8243.
- b. Next LMCC Meeting September 8, 2022, 7:Q0 PM Lazy Mt. Bible Church

X. Adjournment at 8:16 PM by President

fule. Of Secretary

Submitted by Lorri Van Diest, LMCC Secretary

Lazy Mountain Community Council Meeting Minutes Sept. 8, 2022

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7:00 PM at Lazy Mountain Bible Church
Presiding Officer: James Buckingham, LMCC President

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- 1. Call Meeting to Order Called to order by Presiding Officer, James Buckingham at 7:09 PM
 - a. Quorum established with 12 members in attendance, 1 more member showed up after
 - b. President reminded members of the purpose of Lazy Mountain Community Council LMCC Bylaws Art.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of Agenda **MOTION**: Approve the agenda with revisions of RSA19 Report (Dan Keen) moved to Guest Speakers and Wolverine Canyon road update moved to reports. Seconded. Approved by consent
- IV. Reading & Approval of Minutes from 4/14/22 MOTION: Approve the minutes of the LMCC Meeting, April 14, 2022. Seconded. Approved by consent.

V. Guest Speakers

- a. Brian Endle, Candidate for Assembly District 1
- b. Dan Keane, RSA19 Representative (907) 250-1863, dlkeane@gci.net
 - i. Had 2 meetings with very little attendance, need another person on the RSA19 board
 - ii. Haven't had representation on the big RSA board for 6 years
 - iii. Sept 29 is next meeting, 6:30 PM, building 2 LMBC Cole Brandon, MSB engineer, is coming
 - iv. Diane & Jupiter roads are next for upgrades

VI. Reports

- a. Treasurer's Report Christi Cordes was absent These are the numbers from the last meeting: \$604.60 in checking, \$368.88 in savings
- b. Update on CAP Projects Lorri Van Diest
 - i. All LMCC CAP funds have been dispersed.
 - ii. Lazy Mt Fire Station parking lot upgrade is out for bid.
 - iii. Lazy Mt Trailhead parking lot is being done currently. Outhouse is complete. Turnaround before gate is complete & paved. Gate posts and electric post is complete.
- c. Wolverine Canyon road upgrades Karl Clark
 - i. Removed all gravel and replaced with mesh and new gravel
 - ii. No current guardrail, but this will be put in soon
 - iii. Been working on this since August

VII. Unfinished Business - None

VIII. New Business

- a. Nomination Committee
 - Bylaws require 3 LMCC members for the Nomination Committee James Buckingham, Mark Van Diest, Jim Buckingham all volunteered for the committee
 - ii. LMCC Board seats expiring: Lorri Van Diest, Sarah Gottschall, Mary Rose Clark, John Vinduska

IX. Agenda Items for October 13, 2022 Annual Meeting

- a. Nomination Committee Report
- b. Floor Nominations of LMCC Board Members
- c. Election of LMCC Board Members for expiring seats
- d. Donation to Lazy Mt Bible Church
- e. CIP Discussion

X. Announcements

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- a. Next LMCC Meeting October 13, 2022, 7:00 PM Lazy Mt. Bible Church
 - b. 14th Annual Mat-Su Emergency Preparedness Expo, Sept 24, 2022

XI. Adjournment at 7:47 PM by President

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Election of LMCC Board Members for expiring seats

Lazy Mountain Community Council Meeting Minutes RECEIVED October 13, 2022 - Annual

7:00 PM at Lazy Mountain Bible Church Presiding Officer: James Buckingham, LMCC President

- Call Meeting to Order Called to order by Presiding Officer, James Buckingham at 7:07 PM 1.
 - a. Quorum established with 19 members in attendance, 2 more members showed up after
- 11. Pledge of Allegiance
- Approval of Agenda MOTION: Approve the agenda as written. Seconded. Approved by consent III.
- Reading & Approval of Minutes from 9/8/22 MOTION: Approve the minutes of the LMCC Meeting, IV. September 9, 2022. Seconded. Approved by consent.
- ٧. Guest Speakers - None
- VI. Reports
 - a. Treasurer's Report Given by Lorri Van Diest, Secretary. Checking: \$426.60; Savings: \$387
- VII. Unfinished Business - None
- VIII. **New Business**
 - a. Donation to Lazy Mountain Bible Church
 - i. MOTION: Donate \$150 to Lazy Mountain Bible Church for use of their building in 2022. Seconded. Approved.
 - b. Lazy Mountain Trailhead Parking Lot Hours
 - i. MOTION: Keep with MSB hours of 8 AM to 10 PM for the Lazy Mountain Trailhead Parking Lot. Seconded. Approved.
 - ii. LMCC Members approved Lorri Van Diest, Secretary, to contact Hugh Leslie to add signs indicating the outside parking lot be left open for horse trailers during open parking lot hours.
 - c. CIP Discussion
 - i. LMCC missed the deadline of August 1, 2022, to submit CIP project proposals to MSB.
 - ii. All road projects have been removed from the CIP list. All of LMCC's current CIP proposals were road projects, so they have all been removed. Two Lazy Mountain current proposals on the CIP list did not come through LMCC. Not sure where they came from??
 - iii. Road projects must be submitted to MSB through the RIP list. The RSA19 Board submits these road projects.
 - iv. Tim Hale Wolverine Canyon could be a good project for the newly designated state funds. MSB is looking for roads that need to be upgraded for safety.
 - v. MOTION: Contact MSB to remove the two current Lazy Mountain CIP proposals:
 - 1. Public Land Reservations
 - 2. Mat River Park to Lazy Trail Seconded. Approved (17 Yes, 0 No)
 - vi. MOTION: End discussion on Lazy Mountain CIP list. Seconded. Approved.
 - d. LMCC Board Nomination Committee Report (by James Buckingham)
 - i. LMCC Board seats expiring: Lorri Van Diest, Sarah Gotschall, Mary Rose Clark, John Vinduska
 - ii. Another community member contacted James Buckingham to run for the LMCC Board. Member removed name.
 - e. LMCC Board Nominations from Floor None
 - f. LMCC Board Nominee Comments None
 - g. Voting on 2023-24 LMCC Board Members
 - i. MOTION: Accept the four LMCC Board nominees (Lorri Van Diest, Sarah Gotschall, Mary Rose Clark, John Vinduska) to fill the four open LMCC Board seats. Seconded. Approved unanimously.

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- IX. Agenda Items for January 12, 2023 Quarterly Meeting
 - a. None
- **Announcements**
- X. Announcements

 Delana Johnson, State House Representative for Lazy Mountain area
 - b. Tim Hale, District 1 Assemblyman
 - i. Fully fund all MSB road bond projects with extra state money (\$60 mill)
 - ii. Lowest mil rate since 1989, but property assessments have increased
 - iii. Hand count this year's election ballots
 - iv. Ordinance on voting passed the MSB Assembly hand count ballots on election night at precinct, candidate or representative can be present during counting, prohibits MSB clerk to use electronic device.
- XI. Adjournment at 8:02 PM.

Lazy Mountain Community Council Meeting Minutes May 11, 2023

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7:00 PM at Lazy Mountain Bible Church
Presiding Officer: James Buckingham, LMCC President

- I. Call Meeting to Order Called to order by Presiding Officer, James Buckingham at 7:05 PM
 - a. Quorum established with 14 members in attendance
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of Agenda **MOTION**: Approve the agenda with the addition of Nomination Committee added to September meeting agenda. Seconded. Approved unanimously.
- IV. Reading & Approval of Minutes from 10-13-22 Annual Meeting **MOTION:** Approve the minutes of the LMCC Annual Meeting, October 13, 2022. Seconded. Approved unanimously.

V. Guest Speakers

- a. Kelsey Anderson, MSB Long Range Planner
 - i. MSB Borough wide comprehensive plan update last done in 2005
 - ii. Extensive community outreach
 - iii. Forming a steering committee currently and internal MSB committee
 - iv. Looking at problems like affordable housing, following the special use district regulations, public utilities, business development in the MSB
 - v. In her opinion there is a disconnect with how we plan for land use and how it is platted how can MSB better understand what is happening on each tract of land the comprehensive plan is meant to guide the land use
- b. Bike and Pedestrian plan
 - i. Creating a bike and pedestrian plan MSB wide
 - ii. Researching what is currently in the MSB
 - iii. Develop a recommendation plan
 - iv. Where do the pathways need to connect and go?
 - v. Want to build pathways where people use them
 - vi. Working on a final draft for the planning commission and MSB Assembly
- c. Rick Antonio, MSB Planner Capital Improvement Program
 - CIP is revamped took all the road projects off the list. These are now on the TIP (Transportation Improvement Program)
 - ii. CIP Projects must meet 5 criteria:
 - 1. Within MSB areawide powers
 - 2. Cost greater than \$20,000
 - 3. Cannot be routine maintenance or equipment replacement
 - 4. Must align with an MSB adopted Comprehensive Plan
 - 5. Must have greater than a 5-year lifespan
 - iii. All CIP projects are scored by MSB team
 - iv. Mid November, projects come before the planning commission
 - v. In 2022, MSB Assembly only approved 4 CIP projects

VI. Reports

- a. Treasurer's Report Given by Lorri Van Diest \$604.60 in checking, \$368.88 in savings
- b. RSA 19 Board Two new members, Dan Keane & Bob Stone. Looking for another member. Review complaints on the RSA19 roads and advise the MSB RSA "Big" Board
 - i. Dan Keane (907) 250-1863, dlkeane@gci.net
- VII. Unfinished Business NONE
- VIII. New Business
 - a. Lazy Mt Community Clean-Up & Picnic May 20

- i. John Vinduska will be at the fire station at 10 AM on 5/20 to hand out garbage bags and record areas to be cleaned.
 - ii. Gerald will call Bear Mt Meat for donation
 - iii. No hazardous materials only road-side trash
 - iv. Grilling will begin at 11:30. Bring a side dish or casserole to share
 - IX. Announcements

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- a. Lazy Mountain trailhead parking lot gate repair
- b. Palmer Fire Dept brought side by side for viewing
- c. Next LMCC Meeting September 14, 2023, 7:00 PM Lazy Mt. Bible Church
- X. Adjournment at 7:57 PM by President

James Buckingham

Loin Van Diest, Secretary

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7:00 PM at Lazy Mountain Bible Church
Presiding Officer: James Buckingham, LMCC President

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- . Call Meeting to Order Called to order by Presiding Officer, James Buckingham at 7:00 PM
 - a. Quorum established with 23 members in attendance
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of Agenda MOTION: Approve the agenda with the addition of guest speaker, Rep. Delana Johnson. Seconded. Approved by consent.
- IV. Reading & Approval of Minutes from 5/11/23 Quarterly Meeting **MOTION:** Approve the minutes of the LMCC Quarterly Meeting, May 11, 2023. Seconded. Approved by consent.

V. Guest Speakers

- a. Tim Zalinger, Mat Su Valley Rebuild
 - i. Purpose is to collect useful building supplies and older "cool" tools
 - ii. Mission: Keep useful supplies out of the landfill
 - iii. Warehouse on Palmer Wasilla Hiway 12151 E PWH
 - iv. Recently moved and down payment is delayed until Nov
 - v. Fundraiser happening on Nov 11 "Snow Down"
 - vi. Will not take florescent lights, fuel, appliances
- b. Joshua Hanson Christmas Friendship Dinner
 - i. Free dinner on Christmas Day at Menard Sports Center
 - ii. Deliver meals to home-bound seniors
 - iii. Last year served 2500 people, and delivered 450 meals
 - iv. Need volunteers and donations see website or call (information left on back counter)
- c. Rep Delana Johnson
 - i. Chair of Alaska Operating Budget
 - ii. Old Glenn Hiway needs safety upgrades Will LMCC write a resolution to support this?

VI. Reports

- a. Treasurer's Report Given by Lorri Van Diest \$502.60 in checking, \$412.28 in savings
- b. RSA 19 Board No report given
 - i. Dan Keane (907) 250-1863, dlkeane@gci.net

VII. Unfinished Business - NONE

VIII. New Business

- a. Floor Nominations for Expiring Board Members (L Van Diest ran this portion of the meeting)
 - i. LMCC Expiring terms James Buckingham, Christi Cordes, Gerald DeVilbiss
 - ii. Nomination from the floor James Buckingham
 - iii. Nomination from the floor Gerald DeVilbiss
 - iv. Nomination from the floor Joshua Buckingham
 - v. **MOTION**: Close the LMCC Board nominations from the floor. Seconded. Motion approved unanimously
- b. Voting on LMCC Board Member Nominations
 - i. Discussion on the need to conduct a vote because there are only three open board seats and three nominations.
 - MOTION: Close nominations and approve the slate of three nominations (James Buckingham, Gerald DeVilbiss, Joshua Buckingham) for the three open LMCC Board seats. Seconded. Motion approved unanimously.



- c. Donation to Lazy Mountain Bible Church for 2023 Meetings (James Buckingham, President conducting meeting again)
 - i. MOTION: Donate \$200 to Lazy Mountain Bible Church for the LMCC 2023 Meetings. Seconded. Motion approved by consent.
 - d. LMCC Yearly Meetings
- i. LMCC Bylaws state LMCC must conduct an annual meeting each October. No other meetings are specifically required.
 - ii. LMCC has had quarterly meetings for the past ten or so years. The January meeting is often canceled due to lack of quorum. The September 2023 meeting was not conducted due to lack of quorum.
 - iii. **MOTION**: Lazy Mountain Community Council meet bi-annually in April and October. Seconded. Motion approved by consent.
- IX. Agenda for Bi-Annual Meeting April 11, 2024
 - a. LMCC Clean-Up & Community Picnic
 - b. Yard Sale at the community picnic
 - c. LMCC Board Nomination Committee
 - d. Announce LMCC Board Officers
- X. Announcements
 - a. New announcements made by members
 - b. Next LMCC Meeting April 11, 2024, 7:00 PM Lazy Mt. Bible Church
 - c. 2024 Annual LMCC Meeting October 10, 2024, 7:00 PM Lazy Mt Bible Church
- XI. Adjournment at 7:42 PM by President

LMCC Board Member Meeting - The board met after the October 12 meeting to select officers for 2024.

- President: James Buckingham (907-232-3233; notjbutchrist@gmail.com)
- Vice President: Gerald DeVilbiss
- Secretary/Treasurer: Lorri Van Diest

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Members-At-Large: Mary Rose Clark, Sarah Gotschall, John Vinduska, Joshua Buckingham

Submitted by Lorri Van Diest, LMCC Secretary

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7:00 PM at Lazy Mountain Bible Church Presiding Officer: James Buckingham, LMCC President

- Call Meeting to Order Called to order by Presiding Officer, James Buckingham at 7:02 PM
 - a. Quorum established with 13 members in attendance, 2 members came later
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of Agenda MOTION: Approve the agenda with the addition of Tim Hale, Assemblyman under Guest Speaker. Seconded. Approved by consent.
- IV. Reading & Approval of Minutes from 10-12-23 Annual Meeting **MOTION:** Approve the minutes of the LMCC Annual Meeting, October 12, 2023. Seconded. Approved by consent.

V. Guest Speakers

- a. Tim Hale, MSB Assembly District 1
 - i. Chickaloon Village Tribal Council expanding their police capabilities
 - Expanding authority through the federal government because they are a sovereign nation with tribal law and courts
 - 2. Specifically doing this because of violence against Alaska Native children and women
 - 3. Alaska Dept of Public Safety can grant authority to special commissioned officers looks like this will happen
 - a. Can't give traffic violations
 - b. Can enforce state law through state courts on any person within Chickaloon area from Kings River to Puritan Creek
 - c. Training will be the same as AK State Troopers
 - 4. Lots of opposition at the local meetings Biggest complaint is that there will be no accountability for the Chickaloon officers
 - ii. MSB Assembly abolished the MSB business license requirement only need state license
 - iii. Established a committee for challenging library books mayor wants members from all Assembly districts
 - iv. MSB budget is .3 mil higher than last year submitted by the MSB Manager budget process is happening now

VI. Reports

a. Treasurer's Report - Given by Lorri Van Diest - \$344.60 in checking, \$412.61 in savings

VII. Unfinished Business

- a. Lazy Mt Community Clean-Up & Picnic May 18
 - John Vinduska will be at the fire station at 10 AM on 5/18 to hand out garbage bags and record areas to be cleaned.
 - ii. No hazardous materials only road-side trash
 - iii. No meat donation this year everyone to bring meat to grill for their family
 - iv. Grilling will begin at 11:30. Bring a side dish or casserole to share
- b. 2024 LMCC Board Members & Roles
 - i. President James Buckingham
 - ii. Vice President Gerald DeVilbiss
 - iii. Secretary/Treasurer Lorri Van Diest
 - iv. Members At Large John Vinduska, Sarah Gottschall, Mary Rose Clark, Joshua Buckingham

VIII. New Business

- a. Update MVFCU check signers on Lazy Mountain Community Council account
 - MOTION: Approve Lazy Mountain Community Council check signers on MVFCU accounts as only Lorri Van Diest and Gerald DeVilbiss. Seconded. Approved unanimously.

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- b. Resolution to Designate the Old Glenn Highway as an Official Safety Corridor
 - i. **MOTION**: Approve the resolution to designate the Old Glenn Highway as an official safety corridor and provide funding for the planning, design, and construction of a multi-phased project. Seconded. For: 8, Against: 5. **Motion passed.**
 - ii. President James Buckingham will submit the resolution to Representative Johnson.
- c. LMCC Board Nomination Committee
 - i. Committee members James Buckingham, Joshua Buckingham, Jay Van Diest
 - ii. LMCC Board Members terms expiring
 - 1. Lorri Van Diest, Sarah Gottschall, Mary Rose Clark, John Vinduska
- IX. Agenda Items for Annual Meeting October 10, 2024
 - a. LMCC Board Nominations Committee Report
 - b. LMCC Board Nominations from the Floor
 - c. Voting on 2025 LMCC Board Members
- X. Announcements
 - a. Lazy Mountain garage sale June 15 & 16 being organized by community member and each person will have their stuff to sell at their own property
 - b. RFC Packets Moose Run and Thor Road Addition comments due to MSB by 4/19/24
 - c. CIP List Top CIP projects are from District 1
 - d. Next LMCC Meeting Annual October 10, 2024, 7:00 PM Lazy Mt. Bible Church
- XI. Adjournment at 8:00 PM by President Buckingham

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7:00 PM at Lazy Mountain Bible Church Presiding Officer: James Buckingham, LMCC President

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a. Quorum established with 42 members in attendance, 2 members came later

Pledge of Allegiance 11.

> Approval of Agenda – MOTION: Approve the agenda with the addition of Tom Bergey, MSBSD School III. Board Member under Guest Speaker. Seconded. Approved by consent.

Reading & Approval of Minutes from 4/11/24 Meeting - MOTION: Approve the minutes of the LMCC April IV. 11, 2014 Meeting. Seconded. Approved by consent.

Guest Speakers ٧.

a. Tom Bergey, MSBSD School Board

VI. Reports

- a. Treasurer's Report Given by Lorri Van Diest \$344.60 in checking, \$387.83 in savings
- b. Nomination Committee Report Jay Van Diest
 - i. Four LMCC Board seats open
 - ii. Board Members willing to run again Sarah Gottschall, Lorri Van Diest, John Vinduska
 - iii. One open seat remaining
- VII. Unfinished Business - None
- VIII. **New Business**
 - a. Floor Nominations for Expiring LMCC Board Members
 - i. Josh Hansen nominated from the floor gave a short talk about who he is
 - ii. MOTION: Close floor nominations for the expiring LMCC Board Seats. Seconded. Approved by consent, no opposed.
 - b. Voting on LMCC Board Members
 - i. MOTION: Seat all four names nominated for the four expiring LMCC Board Member terms -Sarah Gottschall, Lorri Van Diest, John Vinduska, Josh Hansen - Seconded. Approved by consent, no opposed.
 - c. Donation to Lazy Mt Bible Church for 2024 LMCC meetings
 - i. MOTION: Donate \$200 to Lazy Mt Bible Church for the use of their building for the two 2024 LMCC meetings. Seconded. Approved by consent, no opposed.
- Agenda Items for April Meeting April 10, 2025 IX.
 - a. LMCC Board Member Roles
 - b. Lazy Mountain Clean-Up and Picnic
- Announcements/Discussion X.
 - a. LMCC Member spoke about emergency access across Wolverine Canyon Need other ways to get off Lazy Mountain
 - b. No other announcements or discussion

XI. Adjournment at 7:46 PM by President Buckingham

Submitted by Lorri Van Diest, LMCC Secretar

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RESOLUTION NO. <u>0001</u>

A RESOLUTION OF THE LAZY MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL RECOMMENDING THAT THE STATE OF ALASKA DESIGNATE THE OLD GLENN HIGHWAY AS AN OFFICIAL SAFETY CORRIDOR AND PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION OF A MULTI-PHASED IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ON THE OLD GLENN HIGHWAY TO ADDRESS TRAFFIC SAFETY CONCERNS AND ENSURE ADEQUATE ALTERNATE ACCESS TO INTERIOR ALASKA

WHEREAS, the Old Glenn Highway provides the only alternative access between Anchorage and Interior Alaska/Canada in the event of a road closure in the high trafficked "flats" section of the Glenn Highway from Milepost (MP) 30 to 35

WHEREAS, the Old Glenn Highway is considered a "high risk rural road" by the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities and currently ranks among the most dangerous segments of road in the state.

WHEREAS, the Old Glenn Highway from MP 1 to 17 is narrow and poorly lit with vehicles traveling at very high rates of speed.

WHEREAS, since 2018 development from MP1 to 17, properties only accessible from the Old Glenn Highway, has averaged 2% annual growth with approximately 242 properties developed, with an additional 160 properties planned for residential development on the east side of the Matanuska River beginning in 2024.

WHEREAS, the traffic and safety concerns on the Old Glenn Highway will exponentially increase as development in the area continues to accelerate.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAZY MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL that:

The Old Glenn Highway from MP 1 to 17 be designated as a safety corridor and funded for a multi-phased highway improvement project to ensure safe passage for local residents and provide resilient alternative access out of Anchorage for residential and commercial traffic.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE LAZY MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL that:

A proactive approach is needed to ensure the safety of the traveling public scales with the rapid rate of development and that a long-term improvement project be added to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

Resolved and affirmed this ________ day of _________, 2024, by the Lazy Mountain Community Council President, whose official signature is here below affixed.

James Buckingham, President, Lazy Mountain Community Council

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Meeting Minutes

REGULAR MEETING

January, 14th 2025

Big Lake Public Library and Teams

1:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. The Meeting on January, 14th, 2025 was called to order at 1:00 PM by Chairperson Georgia Knazovich at the Big Lake Library.

II. ROLL CALL - DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

A. Present were Georgia Knazovich, Kathy Kysar, Karen Crandall, Mark Spohn, Virginia Robson, Marty Kincaid, and A quorum was present.

III. AGENDA APPROVAL

A. Kathy Kysar moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Virginia Robson and was passed.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. The Pledge of Allegiance was made.

V. MINUTES OF THE PRECEDING MEETING

A. Kathy Kysar shared her opinion that the meeting minutes were "written very slanted" and bemoaned that, "The only two people who were quoted were Jackie Goforth and Karen Lewis. I don't know why they were quoted. Nobody else was quoted. And then they're just like where it talks at the very if, what is that the member comments where it's Karen Crandell um about removing harmful material that's just a slanted way to put them in the minutes". Kathy made a motion to amend 8A-B and 13B. After discussion, a vote on the amendment failed 3-3. A correction was made to clarify Marty Kincaid had not been present. The corrected minutes were accepted 5-1.

VI. BOROUGH STAFF REPORTS

A. Hugh Leslie – Recreation & Library Services Manager: Mr. Leslie gave updates on the strategic plan and the Rose Group interviews with Librarians, Board Members, and on-site visits to each Library. B. Cassidy Drake - Big Lake Library:

Discussed upcoming programs, including: Crafting with the classics, literature and lattes, book club, and Reading Dragons. Reported their newest employee Florence who had previous experience with the Wasilla Library. In March the staff will closed the library for a day to attend a training session in Palmer on "De-Escalation."

C. Cassidy Drake - Willow Library:

Shared that the Willow Library would be having a community-led Chess Tournament and various other Library programs including A Festival of Trees, Winter Solstice Walk and the upcoming Winter Carnival and photo contest.

D. Zane Treesh - Wasilla Library:

Gave updates on the new RFID project, budget planning, and expansion proposals for Staff space and a grant from the Friends of the Library for an art program.

E. Marita Crosby - Talkeetna Library:

Shared reports from Christmas Cookie events and games during the Holidays that kids enjoyed. Gave updates on ongoing events and programs like permanent Fund application and tax form assistance.

F. Juli Buzby - Sutton:

Recapped annual December events, including the Christmas Bazaar with Santa with 16 vendors and 300 in attendance. Updated continuing programs like Chess club and yoga fluctuate due to weather.

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

- A. Jeannie Troshynski: President of the Friends of the Wasilla Library, reminisced fondly of her days on the Borough Library Board. Recalled strong efforts to get funding for the Talkeetna Library and advocated for the need to expand the Big Lake Library. Then gave an update on the Wasilla Library Senior Art program.
- B. Melinda Dale: Expressed gratitude for the Willow Librarian and their mentoring program. Thanked the Board for the important work they are doing.
- C. Lynn Lovegreen: With the Alaska chapter of Authors Against Book Bans, shared an author's opinion about the harm done to children by book bans.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Report to Borough:

Chairperson Georgia Knazovich stated that she has been working on the report

and that because of the ongoing work on the strategic plan that the report to the Borough would be delayed.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Suggestion of book request review form:

Kathy Kysar suggested after finding errors in an LCAC form that everyone review the relevant borough website pages, links, and forms for similar errors so they can be corrected by staff.

B. 2025 Plans:

Discussed continuing progress on the strategic plans and Borough report.

XI. ADVOCACY

A. None

XII. CORRESPONDENCE

A. None

XIII. MEMBER COMMENTS

- A. Marty Kincaid: Stated that she had been following the national news about the Supreme Court decision to allow a ban on the social media platform TikTok and the Texas Attorney General filed a lawsuit when her member comments were interrupted by Kathy Kysar asking, "What does this have to do with anything?". Marty went on to clarify the lawsuits' claims that TikTok, "jeopardizes the health and well-being of children because they can access pretty much anything...". Again, she was interrupted this time by the Chairperson to say, "well kind of the same goes for the whole internet". Marty closed her comments by offering caution to observe national debates about bans on other media forms to see how they might inform us on how we might handle similar situations as well as the challenges introduced by artificial intelligence. Twice more members spoke during her comment period but were not nearly as disrespectful and no objections were made by anyone including staff.
- B. Karen Crandall: Commented on the LCAC review process and the importance of board members attending that meeting until Chairperson Knazovich inserted herself again to argue the responsibility of parents. There were no objections from any members and staff remained silent.
- C. Kathy Kysar: Shared her opinions about Texas, Alaskan Governors' veto powers for budgets, Alaskans, TikTok, the internet. Concluding with the statement, "If if they're going to say that TikTok is bad for kids, the internet's bad for kids. So I guess we just better throw out the Internet."

D. Mark Spohn: Shared his opinion that Board Member conversations with the Rose Group for the strategic plan should be made a part of a public meeting and not done privately. During his comments he was interrupted or argued with at least nine times. No objection was made by either members or staff.

XIV. NEXT MEETING

A. February 11, 2025 at Willow Library

XV. ADJOURNMENT

A. Meeting adjourned

Georgia Knazovich - Chair

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ATTEST:

Sarah Thomas - Staff Support

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Meeting Minutes

REGULAR MEETING Willow Public Library and Teams

February 11, 2025 1:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. The Meeting on February 11, 2025 was called to order at 1:00 PM by Chairperson Georgia Knazovich at the Willow Public Library.

II. ROLL CALL - DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

A. Present were Georgia Knazovich, Kathy Kysar, Chad Scott, Karen Crandall, Mark Spohn, Marty Kincaid, and Virginia Robson. A quorum was present.

III. AGENDA APPROVAL

A. Agenda was approved with an amendment by Kathy Kysar to move discussion of the Open meetings act and Roberts Rules of order as they apply to the meetings minutes before accepting the previous meetings minutes.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. The Pledge of Allegiance was made.

V. MINUTES OF THE PRECEDING MEETING

A. Discussion was had about correcting the previous meeting minutes to reflect Robert's Rules of Order and asking for borough staff to help clarify the issue. Kathy Kysar made a motion to table the discussion until the next meeting. Karen Crandall seconded, and the motion was passed.

VI. BOROUGH STAFF REPORTS

A. Hugh Leslie – Recreation & Library Services Manager: Mr. Leslie discussed the borough's calendar for public meetings around the valley and advocated for the opportunity to meet with the Assembly to discuss issues. Gave updates on the predevelopment plan for Big Lake, the Borough Libraries Strategic Plan meetings and the LCAC.



- B. Julie Mitchell Willow: Shared updates on Library programs and events like; Tuesday night chess, a local business event, a winter carnival, photo contest.
- C. Cassidy Drake Big Lake Library: Talked about recent activities including the strategic plan meeting, Pre-K story time, Valentine's themed embroidery class, and a book sale. And upcoming events: high tea and book chat, annual wedding project, lattes and literature, PFD applications, Reading Dragons, and a blind date with a book program.
- D. Zane Treesh Wasilla: Gave updates on IT projects, building expansions, and their recovery after some temporary flooding in their parking lot due to weather.
- E. Geri Denkewalter Talkeetna: Shared about their mentor's program, movie story time, book club, the strategic plan meeting, and the bachleor auction. And new programs: unlock the power of your library card, puzzle contest, a senior writing program and the 52nd birthday of the Talkeetna Public Library on March 17th.
- F. Julie Buzby-Sutton: Talked about library programs, such as regular programming, preschool stories, after-school, book club, chess club, common threads, and strong people, home school, youth program hosted community skate night and trivia, and the community garden.
- G Marita Crosby-Trapper Creek: gave updates on an escape room, holiday cards craft, and the strategic plan meeting.

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

- A. Marian Charles: Discussed the Willow strategic plan meeting
- B. Melinda Dale: Discussed the Willow strategic plan and Robert's Rules of Order.
- C. Jeanne Troshynski: Discussed Library Board Minutes and the LCAC.
- D. Jackie Goforth: Discussed the American Library Association, the Children's Internet Protection Act, The Supreme Court, the ACLU, and book challenges.
- E. Patti Bills: Discussed activities and staff at the Willow Library.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Borough presentation: Kathy Kysar will be gathering information and taking over the presentation.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Under new business, it was mentioned that issues had been covered by previous

discussions: Minute taking, discussion of a new strategic plan with the committee, and members communicating with the public to get input.

X. ADVOCACY

A. None

XI. CORRESPONDENCE

A. None

XII. MEMBER COMMENTS

- A. Kathy Kysar discussed Roberts's Rules of Order and meeting minutes.
- B. Marty Kincaid: Discussed member comments etiquette, Artificial Intelligence, the Strategic Plan and national news pertaining to Libraries and culture.
- C. Mark Sphon: Discussed funding for the Rose Group and the Strategic Plan.
- D. Chad Scott: Discussed Robert's Rules of Order and asked for Borough Staff to clarify issues and accusations made about the minutes.

XII. NEXT MEETING

A. March 11, 2025 at Wasilla Library

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

A. Meeting adjourned at 2:11 pm

Georgia Knazovich - Chail

Date

ATTEST:

Sarah Thomas - Staff support

Date

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

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January 15, 2025

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

Advisory Board members in attendance establishing a quorum were:

Frank Adams	Kara Cahill	Tracey Loscar
Bea Adler	Mike Chmielewski	Shelia Olson
Donna Anthony	Casey Cook	Regg Simon
Jason Bauer	Tom Covington	Norm Straub
Jeff Brasel	Jared Eison	Joshua Tudor
Simon Brown II	Andrew Gorn	

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Bethany Buckingham-Follett Michael Lopez

Also in attendance were: Brenda McCain and Paul Williams, Willow CERT; Talon Boeve and Kiela Cott, MSB EOC; Erin Leaders, and Kathy Shea AK-DEC; and Mariko Kays, Public Health.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: There were no objections to the approval of the October 16, 2024 minutes as presented.

OLD BUSINESS

Workgroup Review

Mr. Bauer stated: We are looking to further define the workgroups and get more people added to the groups. It would be good to see each workgroup come up with at least one goal they would like to accomplish this year, and some strategies on how they would like to get there. We should also determine if any of the workgroups should be deleted or deemed inactive.

- Executive Committee stands as is.
- Community Awareness stands to support the planning and delivery of public education and outreach groups. Added members Talon Boeve, Mike Chmielewski, Shelia Olson, and Simon Brown II.
- Exercise name change to Exercise/Training, with scope re-defined as "planning, execution, and evaluation of exercises and training". Group deemed inactive.
- Citizen Corps stands to support CERT and Neighborhood Watch. Added member Talon Boeve.
- Mutual Aid stands for response and recovery across agencies. Added members Casey Cook and Jason Bauer.

- Plans Review stands to review borough and other agency emergency operations plans, mitigation plans, and recovery plans.
- Strategic National Stockpile stands to connect Mat-Su to other regional and national medical resources. Added member Kara Cahill.
- Homeland Security stands with action item to define scope. Removed member Bea Adler and added members Andy Gorn, Simon Brown II, and Michael Lopez.
- Transportation stands with action item to define scope. Added members Eric Mohrmann and Tom Covington.

Mr. Bauer asked that the workgroups be listed as a future agenda item under reports.

Chairwoman Cahill asked that the workgroups get together if possible and provide a report that can be presented at the LEPCA meeting in April.

EOP/Hazard Assessment Review - Jason Bauer

- 1. The three plans they already reviewed are being sent to John, who can then route to the SERC.
- 2. They are beginning the process of updating the Hazard Mitigation Plan, which is required to be done on a 5-year basis. Taunnie Boothby is working on that, and it will take a while to get done.
- 3. There is an All-Hazards Qualification Guidebook from Alaska DHS&EM that is to be released next week. It is a guidebook to support the Alaska Interstate Mutual Aid system. It's to get their folks qualified and certified in positions to be able to deploy across the state to support our neighboring communities when disasters occur. He will be the point of contact on this for the EOC, so if anyone is interested in getting qualified or credentialed, reach out to him and he will assist you.
- 4. He asked Casey Cook if a letter was written to the governor to requesting funding support for the LEPC. Mr. Cook replied that a letter was written and submitted by Kara Cahill but he hasn't heard anything back on it. Our Mat-Su LEPC is doing okay regarding funding at this point.

NEW BUSINESS

None

AGENCY REPORTS / GUEST COMMENTS

Wasilla Police Department – Michael Lopez

- 1. They are putting significant efforts into filling vacancies. They have one remaining and have filled five officers in the last 6-9 months.
- 2. They will be retiring their canine Echo in March and have a replacement named Centa.
- 3. Over winter break they completed agency wide active threat training (Active Shooter).

City of Wasilla - Bethany Buckingham-Follett

1. They are updating their Emergency Operations plan for all of their departments and also working on their devolution.

- 2. They have obtained energy watch procedures obtained by Scott Bell, and each department is doing their energy watch action plan.
- 3. On the museum side, she attended the HazCat training yesterday with the EPA. It was a good class. They do have some oil, not large scale, but some things in their collection do contain oil.
- 4. The 4th of July planning is starting, so if anyone is interested in assisting, let her know.

Willow CERT - Brenda McCain

- 1. Thanks to EOC and Talon for helping and taking responsibility for their first 20-hour hybrid CERT class. It's a University of Utah program where they do a 12-hour lecture portion online. If students complete that and pass the final exam they can attend a one weekend skills hands on portion of the class. Talon was supported by Red, and Bill Mackreth, and a lot of community members and their CERT team. It was very successful. They had 22 people complete and graduate from the class.
- 2. They just completed a Stop the Bleed class that their CERT team offered to the community. They plan to do it once a year. They received two trunks full of limbs, tourniquets, and gauze from the Alaska Public Health Emergency Response Operations to use in the class.
- 3. The Su-Dog 300 sled dog race is coming up and their team will be covering three of the four road crossings at the start of the race. It's good radio communication practice for them.

City of Houston - Jared Eison

They are still working on their EOP and planning around City Hall. They are hoping to make it available as a functional ICP by next Christmas.

AK State Defense Force - Simon Brown II

One of the reasons he wanted to be on the Community Awareness workgroup is because of the lack of sufficient knowledge citizens have on how to respond during emergencies. He's hoping to come up with a way to educate our citizens in disaster response so things aren't made worse by lack of knowledge. We need to do a better job of educating our citizens in disaster response. The Defense Force is working on this, and as the local LEPC, we should also be working on it for our citizens.

<u>Emergency Management – Casey Cook</u>

- 1. The preparedness calendars were delivered at the end of December. There are some out on the front table, and if anyone needs more, let him know. They have more at the EOC.
- 2. They have a reprint of their emergency preparedness books on order and they should be in soon.
- 3. They applied for approximately 18 hazard mitigation grants through the state. They also applied for some Building Resilient Infrastructure grants.
- 4. We are in our budget process time for the borough.
- 5. The had a Damaged Facility Assessment class in May. It's a mechanism for getting information into the EOC after buildings get damaged.
- 6. They had 19 new ICS instructors come out of the 449 class. It was the first 449 class in the borough and the first in Alaska in a very long time.

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- 7. We have three exercises planned:
 - a. ATC20 Paradigm Building Assessments
 - b. Possibly hosting a Division of Forestry Spring meeting where we will do a facilitated discussion with them and walk through some scenarios.
 - c. Active Shooter exercise for July or August timeframe. We may possibly bring some training up here for that.
- 8. We just had a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) and Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) class last week.
- 9. They are working on the MatCom budget during the budgeting process.
- 10. They finished the Montana Mountain telecommunications site for the Northwest part of the Valley, which works from the Houston area north. That was a big project for our telecom guys.

Mat-Su Borough EMS - Tracey Loscar

- 1. They completed a large on-boarding of new EMTs and are getting them out on the street.
- 2. They are working with both Southern and Interior Region's EMS councils on helping with their EMS conferences in 2025.

Mat-Su Regional Medical Center - Kara Cahill

- 1. They had their trauma 3 designation survey in the middle of December. There were no discrepancies found, so they were recommended for a Trauma 3 Center designation. They should have the official word in 8 to 12 weeks.
- 2. They are pushing their Active Shooter drill out toward the end of July, early August timeframe. If they go pediatrics route, such as a school system, they will be focusing on the specialties that come with pediatrics versus adults.
- 3. In December she attended the International Association of Emergency Management conference in Colorado, then the National Healthcare coalition Preparedness Conference. She got some good resources out of that once she gets everything compiled, she will send out some info to the group.
- 4. We will be having a tabletop in Anchorage in March, looking at a pediatric decon type exercise. Once they get officially lined up, she will send the info out to the group.
- 5. They are hosting an active shooter defense class for healthcare specific. They will have people coming from all over the state to not only learn the training, but also become a trainer, and utilize their facility to train their staff in active shooter response.
- 6. As Bethany mentioned, the EPA held a HazCat training, and they are looking forward to bringing more training into the community. She believes the next one is radiological. Once she has the information, she will send it out to this group.
- 7. She was on a meeting with Fred about a Chempack staged at Providence. It is a deployable asset in the event we come into contact with any nerve agents or want to do planning for it.

Chickaloon Village/MARA – Shelia Olson

Chickaloon:

1. The Chickaloon Police Department has a new Facebook page that they have been using to post information on.

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- 2. Their plan is to hire six more officers; one for Dot Lake, two for Chitna, one for Port Heiden and two more for Chickaloon. They have five MOA's in place with five more pending. They will be sending new officers to the academy in Fairbanks in March.
- 3. They got their communications fixed and successfully tested it all the way to Tok. They set up a dispatcher console and an antenna and are going out to bid for it. The long-term goal is to potentially connect to Palmer dispatch.
- 4. They are ordering Starlink for the patrol cars and dispatch center.
- 5. The EMPC for Chickaloon has a new focus. They are getting back on a regular meeting schedule and Donna will report on this when there is more to share.

MARA:

- 1. They are having a training on the 25th at the Transportation Museum that will involve teaching set up, communication over radio waves, and text and e-mail in addition to voice.
- 2. The MARA Club appreciates everything that Talon does throughout the year, especially the preparedness fair.

Matanuska Electric Association - Frank Adams

- 1. They have been working on restoration efforts after last week's storm.
- 2. As a reminder, if you are hooking up to a generator, make sure you are not back feeding into their system. If you have any questions on that you can contact MEA directly, and they have resources on their website.

Alaska State Troopers – Andy Gorn

- 1. Bringing back and revitalizing a Trooper post in the upper Su Valley in the Talkeetna area has made the initial budget. It is proposed for a Seargent, three Troopers, a Wildlife Trooper, and a criminal justice tech. Hopefully they can get that pushed through the legislature to be able to provide better emergency responses in that area.
- 2. The recruit class that they have is 12, so hopefully their vacancies get filled in the next few months.
- 3. Drones are being used more often and more effectively. He believes it is beneficial in getting the job done in areas such as opening roads quicker and search and rescues.

City of Palmer – Josh Tudor

- 1. They received a grant from Homeland Security to assist with getting two-way radios for their police officers.
- 2. They will be getting a large new generator for their police station.

Mat-Su Borough EOC – Kiela Kott (Red)

- 1. She has done some printed brochures on closed points of distribution. She is working on getting those out. If anyone is interested in any, please e-mail her.
- 2. For medical countermeasures, she is looking at getting a training setup. She was able to get a couple of games for PODs and community reception centers. She will be setting up some trainings on that in the near future.
- 3. She completed a CPR class of 13 people over at the Brett Ice Arena.

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Mat-Su Public Health – Mariko Kays

Their team is preparing to attend the Homeless Connect at the Menard Center on January 28th from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. They will be promoting their clinic services such as STI testing, immunizations, and reproductive health.

Matanuska Telephone Association - Regg Simon

Over the course of the weekend, they had a lot of outages. A friendly reminder to everyone that if trees are on lines, please don't go near them. They will have MEA go through and deal with those.

Radio Free Palmer - Mike Chmielewski

They have three auto-start backup generators. During a recent outage, one of them did well, then stopped. Upon inspection, it had low oil pressure because the plug had gradually loosened, fell out, and sprayed oil everywhere. They cleaned it up and put a new plug in it and it ran fine. Just a reminder that small things such as this can stop a generator in its tracks.

State of Alaska DEC - Kathy Shea

Tier II reporting is going on now through March 1st. If you have any questions regarding Tier II, please feel free to reach out to her.

Mat-Su Borough EOC - Talon Boeve

- 1. Since the last LEPC meeting, they have completed two CERT classes with a total of 44 graduates here in the Mat-Su Borough.
- 2. FEMA Youth Preparedness Council is open. Youth in grades 8 11 can apply. There are two councils, national and regional. Students from Alaska have a good chance to make it to at least the regional council. It's a great opportunity for youth to be involved in emergency preparedness, and what they would like to see for emergency services in their communities. If you know of any youth that might be interested, reach out to her or Michelle Torres at the State. She also dropped a weblink in the chat.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Membership Updates - Casey Laughlin

- 1. The following people did not renew their seats for another term: Kevin Gunnip, Richard Best, Daniel Payne, Kevin Munson, and Rene Dillow.
- 2. We have one new application moving forward for assembly approval Connie Erickson with Willow CERT.
- Jason Bauer stated that the Emergency Preparedness Conference (LEPCA/SERC) will be April 15-17. Registration opens within the next week for attendees.

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- Bethany Buckingham-Follett stated that if anyone knows of any vendors who may be interested in participating in the conference, to reach out to Akima.
- Kara Cahill stated that she appreciates everyone's input in revising the workgroups and looks forward to hearing what some of the goals are. We will recap everything in an email and then she will set a deadline to get the initial goals completed. It would be beneficial to be able to include that info in our report to the LEPCA in April.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Chairwoman Cahill announced that the next meeting date would be April 16, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

Kara Cahill, Chairwoma

ATTEST:

Casey Laughlin, Secretary

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH MSB Fish and Wildlife Commission

Regular Meeting: January 9, 2025 DSJ Building, Room 203/TEAMS Minutes APR 1 4 2025
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I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Andy Couch called the meeting to order at 4:00pm

II. ROLL CALL – DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Present:

Andy Couch

Gabe Kitter

Howard Delo

Larry Engel

Kendra Zamzow

Jim Sykes

Bill Gamble

Absent:

Tim Hale

Peter Probasco

III. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

AC read the land acknowledgment:

"We acknowledge that we are meeting on traditional lands of the Dena'ina and Ahtna Dene people, and we are grateful for their continued stewardship of the land, fish, and wildlife throughout time immemorial."

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

LE moved to amend the agenda to have the BOG discussion moved to the beginning of the agenda after Chair's Comments; seconded by JS No objection, motion passed unanimously.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

JS moved to approve the November 14 minutes LE seconded No objection, motion passed unanimously.

GK moved to approve the December 12 minutes LE seconded No objection, motion passed unanimously.



VI. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Neil DeWitt – Member of the public
Chennery Fife – Trout Unlimited
Chris Brockman – Area game biologist
Garrett Van Diest – Area game biologist
Representative Kevin McCabe
Mike Camfield – Public Works manages the fish passage program
Micheal Bowles – Prospective FWC
Rebecca Skjohaug
Lacie Olivieri

VII. STAFF/AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

- A. Staff Report Maggie Brown
- B. Chair's Report Andy Couch
 - i. BG CAPSIS update
 - ii. Workgroup PP, GK, BG, AC leaving group

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Board of Game Central/Southwest Region Regulations Discussion

JS moved that Howard represents the FWC at the BOG Central & Southwest

Region Meeting; seconded by BG

LE moved to amend the motion that AC and GK help represent the FWC at the BOG; seconded JS

No objection, motion passed unanimously.

KZ moved to consider the BOG comments; seconded by GK

KZ moved to amend Proposal 64, adding "The commission has supported the concept by not harvesting cows accompanied by calves" to the proposal; seconded by JS

HD amended to add, "The commission has supported the concept by not harvesting cows accompanied by calves in selected areas"; not accepted by KZ.

KZ moved to amend Proposal 64, adding "We recognize that the Sutton and Chickaloon community councils object to the harvest of cow accompanied by calves." to the end of the proposal; seconded by JS

Howard Delo discussed Proposal 75 -- which would allow aerial management of wolf, brown bear, and black bear by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, specifically in Game Management Unit (GMU) 16B, in order to more closely meet moose population and harvest objectives. He also discussed Proposal 73 which sought to change Dall sheep harvest in GMU 14A drawing permit hunts from only full curl rams being legal for harvest to any ram being legal for harvest (this proposal currently had no comments from the commission).

After Howard's discussion, there were no further amendments to the Commission's draft comments.

The question was called on the motion to approve the Commission comments for the Board of Game as amended. The motion passed without objection.

Mayor DeVries arrived 5:08 PM
Chris Brockman and Garrett Van Diest left at 5:10PM

- B. KZ presented on Waterbody Setback draft changes to MSB Code
- C. Mike Campfield gave a MSB Fish Passage Program Presentation

LE moved to support the resolution of the MSB FWC in support of the Wasilla Creek Tributary at Bonnie Drive Fish Passage Culverts Replacement Project; seconded by JS

No objection, motion passed unanimously.

LE moved to extend the meeting to 6:15pm; seconded by HD No objection, motion passed unanimously.

LE moved to send a thank you letter and request from NOAA for additional seasonal reports or updates; seconded by HD.

No objection, motion passed unanimously.

- IX. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Updates on New Appointees to MSB FWC

Representitive McAbe left 6:13PM

Motion to extend the meeting to 6:15pm; seconded by JS KZ objected, motion did not pass.

- X. NEXT MEETING DATE: February 13, 2025, 4-6pm Room 203
- XI. ADJOURNMENT

LE moved to adjourn; seconded by KZ. No objection, motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Peter Probasco, FWC Chair

Maggie Brown, Planning Division Staff

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MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH MSB Fish and Wildlife Commission Regular Meeting: February 13, 2025 Assembly Chambers/TEAMS Minutes

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- I. CALL TO ORDER
 Chair Andy Couch called the meeting to order at 4 pm
- II. ROLL CALL DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Present:

Andy Couch

Gabe Kitter

Kendra Zamzow

Jim Sykes

Michael Bowles

Marty Van Diest

Peter Probasco

Absent:

Tim Hale

Bill Gamble

III. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

PP moved to approve the agenda; seconded by GK. No objection, motion passed unanimously.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

KZ moved to approve the January 9 minutes; seconded by GK. No objection, motion passed unanimously.

VII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Dewy Bitler Jonah Profta Karlie Jackson

Stephen Braund Jason Ortiz **Becca Skjothaug** Jeff Fisher Jessica Speed Sue Mauger **Howard Delo Lindsey Kitter**

VIII. STAFF/AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

- A. Staff Report/ New Appointees to MSB FWC
- B. Chair's Report
- C. Elections
 - i. Chairperson

GK nominated AC for chairperson; seconded by JS AC accepted the nomination KZ nominated PP for chairperson; seconded by GK AC rescinded his acceptance for the nomination of chairperson PP accepted nomination, and the motion passed without objection.

ii. Vice Chairperson

KZ nominated AC for vice chairperson; seconded by GK The nomination was accepted, and the motion passed without objection.

IX. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. Deshka Cold Water/Land Designation

GK moved to approve the document to be taken to the assembly; seconded by KZ PP tabled the resolution discussion until the next meeting; seconded by GK No objection, motion passed unanimously.

PP and AC to update the resolution

B. Borough Waterbody Setback Report

GK moved to make MB and MVD advisors to KZ for the waterbody setback advisory board; seconded by PP

No objection, motion passed unanimously.

- C. Report on Board of Game
- D. FWC Game Special Meeting
- E. Report on CAPSIS
- F. Report from workgroup on comments to NOAA

X. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Presentation on ACWA

GK moved to have the FWC sign the letter of support for the Assembly to accept the AWCA grant funds; seconded by PP

MB objected for a question of discussion.

KZ recommended removing "through active community engagement" from the letter and adding "\$133,500" before "provided by."

No objection to the amendments to the letter

No objection to the letter as amended; motion passed unanimously.

JS moved to extend the meeting to 6:15pm; seconded by No objection, motion passed unanimously.

- B. Participation at Statewide Board of Fisheries meeting March 11 16 Egan Convention Center, Anchorage -- Supplemental issues
- C. Participation at BOG Statewide Regulations March 21-28 Anchorage

KZ moved to extend the meeting to 6:20pm; seconded by GK No objection, motion passed unanimously.

- XI. MEMBER COMMENTS
- XII. NEXT MEETING DATE: March 13, 2025, 4:00-6:00 PM
- XIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

PP moved to adjourn; seconded by GK. No objection, motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:18 PM.

Peter Probasco, FWC Chair

Maggie Brown, Planning Division Staff

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH MSB Fish and Wildlife Commission

Regular Meeting: March 13, 2025 DSJ Building, Assembly Chambers Minutes RECEIVED
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- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

PRESENT:

Peter Probasco

Andy Couch

Bill Gamble

Kendra Zamzow

Michael Bowles

Marty Van Diest

EXCUSED:

Gabriel Kitter

Jim Sykes

ABSENT:

Tim Hale

III. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

AC moved to approve the agenda, seconded by MB AC proposed an amendment to add discussion for CAPSIS before member comments. No objection, motion passed as amended unanimously.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. February 13, 2025

AC moved to approve the February 13 minutes; seconded by MB No objection, motion passed unanimously.

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VII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (three minutes per person)

Peter Imhof Jessica Speed **Chennery Fife Erin Larson**

Stephen Braund

Sue Mauger

Neil DeWitt

VIII. STAFF/AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS (10 min)

- A. Staff Report/ New Appointees to MSB FWC
- B. Chair's Report

IX. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. Deshka Cold Water/Land Designation Updated Resolution (15 min)

AC moved to submit FWC Resolution to the Assembly; seconded by KZ No objection, motion passed unanimously.

- B. Borough Waterbody Setback Report (25 min)
- C. FWC Game Special Meeting (10 min)

Tentatively scheduled for May 15, 4-8 PM

X. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Connecting Across Tikahtnu: Kenai & Mat-Su Joint Fish Habitat Partnership Symposium on April 21-22, 2025 (10 min)

AC will present at Symposium April 21

B. SB 108 - An Act relating to finfish farms and finfish farm products discussion (20 min)

MB was asked to write a draft letter to be reviewed by the FWC at the next meeting

C. HB 93 - An Act changing the residency requirements for hunting, trapping, and sport fishing privileges discussion (10 min)

XI. MEMBER COMMENTS

AC was asked to put together a draft letter to be reviewed by the FWC at the next meeting

XII. NEXT MEETING DATE: April 10, 2025, 4:00-6:00 PM

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

KZ moved to adjorn; seconded by No objection, motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM.

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Maggie Brown, Planning Division Staff

People needing reasonable accommodation in order to participate at a MSB Fish and Wildlife Commission Meeting should contact the borough ADA Coordinator at 861-8404 at least one week in advance of the meeting.

Meeting Minutes March 12, 2025

Meadow Lakes Community Council Inc.

Minutes of March 12, 2025

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♦ 3 Officers required for quorum:

TOTAL = YES .

Pres: Camden Yehle Y; Vice Pres: Steve Edwards Y; Treasurer: Trish Jacob Y; Sec: Patricia Fisher N; Council Coordinator: Tim Swezey Y

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◆ 13 Members of the Meadow Lakes Community required for quorum: No ◆

Meeting Quorum = No

Eleeting conducted in Person at Meadow Lake Seniors, on Zoom and on Facebook.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by President Camden Yehle.

Pledge of Allegiance: Recited.

Determination of a Quorum: A quorum was achieved.

Change in the Agenda: The Agenda was amended to move the discussion of the MEA Resolution regarding the Easement to the first of the order.

Board Reports:

Secretary: Secretary Fisher reported on the actions of the Water Body Setback Board, and the final payment on the balance with AK Law for the legal fees on the Nevitt case.

President: Camden Yehle reported on the Resolution required by MEA for payment of the fee agreed upon in the Easement documents. Bob Coffin made a motion to approve the resolution. A second was made by Tim Swezey. The Motion passed with no objections.

Presentation: Pittman Road Improvement Project. Josh Cross and Tae Voight, Kinney Engineering, Kristina Busch, Alaska Department of Transportation. The status of the project planning was reported as 75% complete. The project does not include a bike or walking path along the roadway. It does include down slanting driveways.

Comments were made that the Council had not had previous had notice of the extent of the project. It was requested that Kinney come back in the next few months to give us a further update.

Presentation: Big Lake and Church Roads Pavement Preservation Project. Kelly Kilpatrick, Dowd Engineering. The project planning is about 95% complete.

Business:

Appointment of the Nominating Committee. Camden appointed Sherri Rusher, Terry Boyle and Dewey Bitler to the committee.

Seldon Road: Camden reported that work on Seldon was moved from 2027 to 2026, but the change has not yet been approved. She asked that the Council support the change in the date and send a letter to DOT stating our support. A motion was made by Tish Link and seconded by Bob Coffin to send a letter of support. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

Proposed Bogard/Seldon Corridor Access Management Plan: Patti Fisher made a motion to resend the letter that was sent in November of 2024, with a focus on requesting a Round-about at Seldon and Church. Curt

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Scoggins seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken, and the motion passed without objection.

Agency Reports:

West Lake Fire, Chief Tawyna Hightower: The activities of West Lake were reported. Burn permits are required as of 3/17/2025. The Chief announced that the Wildfire Preparedness Day will be held at the fire station on Saturday, May 3rd.

Assembly Person Ron Bernier: Ron Spoke briefly about the two Planning meetings held by the Borough.

Persons to be Heard: Patti Fisher spoke about Mid-Valley Recycling's operation at the Big Lake Transfer Site. Mid-Valley will be conducting a project during summer 2025 to promote recycling in the Valley President Yehle reported that Dewey Bitler had texted that he is not available to serve on the Nominating Committee. In his place Camden appointed Tim Swezey.

Adjournment:

President Yehle announced that the next Council meeting will be held on April 9th. The Presentation will be a joint effort by the Alaska Division of Forestry and West Lake Fire.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Camden Yehle, President

Date

Patricia Fisher, Secretary

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Meeting minutes RSA 27 Meadow lakes

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CHERKS-OFFICE

Meeting held March 6, 2025 at Fire Station 7-1

Meeting called to order at 2:00 pm

Attending was Steve Edwards, , Mike Fulton, quorum was met. Borough staff Dustin Spidel, Public: Camden Yehle, Jack Bonnert

Minutes from earlier meeting (October 2024) read and approved by unanimous consent .

Stephen described recent events on board membership. Camden had applied for renewal but was denied appointment with the reason given as "conflict of interest". She also works on Tip project outreach but has done that for several years and no conflicts have come up. She mentioned she had offered to recuse herself if any conflicts came up but her application was denied, leaving only two members on RSA 27. Steve expressed appreciation for the years of service and public advocacy demonstrated by Camden and felt the refusal to appoint her was unfair. Mike said she was certainly well qualified for the position and felt she had been a productive board member. Steve and Camden mentioned that there may now be others applying for the position and expressed hope the board could be restored to function. Steve said he hoped Camden could be reappointed in the future and also looked forward to working with any new members that get appointed.

Dustin provided an update on winter maintenance, sand pile status and commentary on procedures to obtain more if needed. Thaw trucks from borough and from contractors being used to control drainage.

Report on Schedule C small projects, Indigo ditching, Full curl culvert, Swallwo drainage, and Walden Circle ditching are planned for summer.

Board discussed Rip list projects, Meadow lakes has reached 95% and Dustin assured the board it would move to construction this summer. An optional add section is included if ROW is secured up to Indigo. Otherwise the project will be from old Holiday to the S curves past rail tracks.

Hetkimer Spring is still moving forward with a new contractor pursuing the utility and ROW issues. Dustin said it would also reach construction or the next project would be advanced. He agreed to have design started on Doubloon etc project to get it in que for funding.

Some discussion around the lack of Collector status for parts of Meadow Lakes Loop affecting the ability to obtain Tip funding for the project.

Steve introduced two Resolutions, 25-01 AND 25-02.

25-01 describes the boards opposition to new legislation mandating 5 member boards. It was agreed that the current system of 3 member board with option to request larger if more public becomes interested is working well and mandating the larger board could have adverse consequences if participation changes in the future. After discussion, it was passed with unanimous consent.



25-02 describes the boards position on maintaining a robust RIP list for future projects. The goal is to maintain about \$1M in funding without drawing from the Fund balance. The board encouraged public Works to spend over that amount in order to draw down the large fund balance and get additional projects done. A mill rate adjustment is requested sufficient to fund the \$1M RIP list (plus additional available) in future years. After discussion, the resolution passed with unanimous consent.

Public members made some comments but did not request board action. Jack Bonnert expressed interest in learning more about the board function and may consider applying.

Adjourned at 3:30pm

APPROVED

By: Public Hearing:

Action:

L. Gray April 21, 2025

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 25-05

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CLERKS OFFICE

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE CLASSIFIYING A PORTION OF LAND LOCATED IN THE CORE AREA KNOWN AS TAX ACCOUNT 18N01E31C013 AS RESERVED USE LAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF AN EMERGENCY SERVICES FACILITY. (MSB008189)

WHEREAS, a twelve and one-half acre portion of tax parcel 18N01E31C013, is proposed for land classification for purpose of reserving land for a future emergency services facility site; and

WHEREAS, the attached Best Interest Finding provides information specific to the parcel to include proposed purpose, and classification, map, site investigation report, interdepartment and public comments; and

WHEREAS, a Borough inter-departmental review was conducted, along with 30-day public notice in accordance with Title 23 and Land and Resource Management Policy and Procedures adopted by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough; and

WHEREAS, through land classification, the parcel identified for specific future purpose which cannot be changed without Assembly approval.



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission hereby recommends Assembly approval of land classification for a portion of tax parcel 18N01E31C013, as "Reserved Use Lands (ESF)" for purpose of future emergency services facility.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission this -- day of --, 2025.

CJ KOAN, Chair

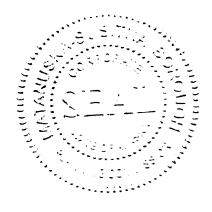
ATTEST

MACIE OLIVIERI, Planning Clerk

(SEAL)

YES: Glenn, Koan, McCabe, Fernandez, Collins, Allen

Snot : On



The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Platting Board was held on March 20, 2025, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough 350 E Dahlia Ave, Palmer, Alaska. Chair Traxler called the Meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

GLERKS OFFICE

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

Platting Board members present and establishing a quorum:

Mr. Michael Liebing, District Seat #2

Mr. Eric Koan, District Seat #3

Ms. Amanda Salmon, District Seat #4

Ms. Michelle Traxler, District Seat #5

Mr. Sidney Bertz, District seat #7

Ms. Karla McBride, Alternate A

Platting Board members absent and excused were:

Mr. Chris Chiavetta, District Seat #1

Mr. Robert Hallford, Alternate B

Platting Board members absent were:

Ms. Sandra Kreger, District seat #6

Staff in attendance:

Mr. Fred Wagner, Platting Officer

Ms. Kayla Kinneen, Platting Board Clerk

Mr. Matthew Goddard, Platting Technician

Mr. Chris Curlin, Platting Technician

Mr. Wyatt Anderson, Platting Technician

B. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Platting Member McBride led the pledge of allegiance.

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

Discussion ensued.

MOTION:

Platting Member Liebing made motion to approve to strike the Staff

Presentation from the Agenda and move to a later date. Platting Member

McBride seconded.

Platting Member Salmon requested to put a motion on the table.

MOTION:

Platting Member Salmon made a Motion to add the timer back to the screen.

Platting Member McBride seconded.

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VOTE:

The motion was approved unanimously.

MOTION:

Platting Member Salmon made motion to approve the amended Agenda.

Platting Member McBride seconded.

VOTE:

The Agenda was changed unanimously.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 6, 2025.

MOTION:

Platting Member Liebing made motion to approve March 6, 2025 Minutes.

Platting Member Koan seconded.

VOTE:

The Minutes were approved unanimously.

3. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION & PRESENTATIONS

PERSONS TO BE HEARD (Three minutes per person for items not scheduled for public hearing) (None)

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. <u>SOUTH SHORE WATERFRONT MSP</u>: The request is to bring the approved South Shore Waterfront Master Plan back before the board for modification. Petitioner is proposing the northern access road be a private road. This will require the dedication of a new cul-de-sac at the beginning of the private road. Containing 34 acres +/-. The property is located South of Big Lake, West of S. Corkey Boulevard and directly North of W. Susitna Parkway; (Tax ID#17N04W35C009) within the SW ½ Section 35, Township 17 North, Range 04 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Big Lake Community Council and in Assembly District #5. (Petitioner/Owner: Seth Kroenke, Staff: Wyatt Anderson, Case #2023-098)

Chair Traxler read the statement regarding Ex-Parte & Interest on quasi-judicial action into the record.

Kayla Kinneen provided the mailing report:

• Stating that 46 public hearing notices were mailed out on February 25, 2025.

Staff gave an overview of the case:

• Staff recommends approval with 11 conditions and 7 findings of facts.

Chair Traxler invited the petitioner/petitioner's representative to give an overview.

The petitioner's representative Craig Hanson chose not to speak.

Chair Traxler opened the public hearing for public testimony. The following persons spoke:

• Robbie Muir

There being no one else to be heard Chair Traxler closed the public hearing and invited the petitioner and/or the petitioner's representative to further discuss and answer any questions from the Board.

Platting Member Liebing had questions for staff.

Discussion endued.

The petitioner's representative spoke.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION:

Platting Member Liebing made a motion to amend Condition of approval #6 to add "Interim" before the word approval. Platting Member Koan

seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued.

VOTE:

The motion passed without objection

MOTION:

Platting Member Koan made a motion to approve the preliminary plat of South Shore Waterfront MSP. Platting Member Liebing seconded the

motion.

Discussion ensued.

VOTE:

The motion passed without objection.

5. RECONSIDERATIONS/APPEALS

(None)

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

B. <u>HAVEN PARK</u>: The request is to create 4 lots from Tax Parcel 17N02W21A006, created by Waiver Resolution #77-41, recorded as Plat No. 77-75W, to be known as Haven Park, containing 20.0 acres +/-. The petitioner is also proposing the construction and dedication of an internal street to serve as access from W. Rodney Cir. The property is located north of W. Ryan Cir., West of S. Sylvan Ln., East and South of Lucille Creek. (Tax ID #17N02W21A006); within the NE ¼ Section 21, Township 17 North, Range 02

West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Knik-Fairview Community Council and in Assembly District #5. (Petitioner/Owner: Choice Homes, LLC, Staff: Wyatt Anderson, Case #2025-016)

Chair Traxler read the statement regarding Ex-Parte & Interest on quasi-judicial action into the record.

Kayla Kinneen provided the mailing report:

• Stating that 76 public hearing notices were mailed out on February 25, 2025.

Staff gave an overview of the case:

• Staff recommends approval with 8 conditions and 6 findings of facts.

Chair Traxler invited the petitioner/petitioner's representative to give an overview.

The petitioner's representative, Gary LoRusso chose not to speak.

Chair Traxler opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard Chair Traxler closed the public hearing and invited the petitioner and/or the petitioner's representative to further discuss and answer any questions from the Board.

The petitioner's representative spoke.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION:

Platting Member Koan made a motion to approve the preliminary plat of

Haven Park. Platting Member Liebing seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION:

Platting Member Koan made a motion to amend Condition of approval #5

to include the word "extension". Platting Member Liebing seconded the

motion.

VOTE:

The motion passed without objection.

7. ITEMS OF BUSINESS & MISCELLANEOUS

(None)

8. PLATTING STAFF & OFFICER COMMENTS

- A. Adjudicatory (*if needed*)
- B. Upcoming Platting Board Agenda Items

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner informed the board of upcoming items:

- There are 2 cases scheduled for April 3, 2025 Platting Board. We will try to have the presentation after the April 3rd Meeting.
 - Alexander Estates
 - o Brookwood Commercial Park PUE

9. BOARD COMMENTS.

• Member Salmon – It was a lovely meeting.

10. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Platting Board, Chair Traxler adjourned the meeting at 1:39 PM.

MICHELLE TRAXLER

Platting Board Chair

ATTEST:

KAYLA KINNEEN Platting Board Clerk The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Platting Board was held on April 3, 2025, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough 350 E Dahlia Ave, Palmer, Alaska. Chair Traxler called the Meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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A. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (by Administrative specialist) OFFICE Platting Board members present and establishing a quorum:

Mr. Chris Chiavetta, District Seat #1

Mr. Michael Liebing, District Seat #2

Mr. Eric Koan, District Seat #3

Ms. Amanda Salmon, District Seat #4

Ms. Michelle Traxler, District Seat #5

Ms. Sandra Kreger, District seat #6

Ms. Karla McBride, Alternate A

Mr. Robert Hallford, Alternate B

Platting Board members absent and excused were:

Mr. Eric Koan, District Seat #3

Mr. Sidney Bertz, District seat #7

Platting Board members absent were:

Staff in attendance:

Mr. Fred Wagner, Platting Officer

Ms. Kayla Smith, Platting Board Clerk

Mr. Matthew Goddard, Platting Technician

Mr. Chris Curlin, Platting Technician

Mr. Wyatt Anderson, Platting Technician

B. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Platting Member McBride led the pledge of allegiance.

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

Discussion ensued.

MOTION:

Platting Member Liebing made motion to approve the Agenda. Platting

Member Kreger seconded.

VOTE:

The Agenda was approved unanimously.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• March 20, 2025.

MOTION:

Platting Member Kreger made motion to approve March 20, 2025 Minutes.

Platting Member Liebing seconded.

VOTE:

The Minutes were approved unanimously.

3. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION & PRESENTATIONS

PERSONS TO BE HEARD (Three minutes per person for items not scheduled for public hearing) (None)

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(None)

5. RECONSIDERATIONS/APPEALS

(None)

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. <u>ALEXANDER ESTATES</u>: The request is to create 18 lots from Tax Parcel B3, created by Warranty Deed recorded at 2002-012218-0, to be known as Alexander Estates, containing 26.5 acres +/-. Lots to access S. Knik Goose Bay Road via proposed internal roads. The property is directly north of S. Knik Goose Bay Road and south of S. Knik Knack Mud Shack Road; (Tax ID# 16N02W08B003); V within the NW ¼ Section 08, Township 16 North, Range 02 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Knik-Fairview Community Council and in Assembly District #5. (Petitioner/Owner: Diamond Homes, LLC, Staff: Chris Curlin, Case #2025-021)

Chair Traxler read the statement regarding Ex-Parte & Interest on quasi-judicial action into the record.

Kayla Smith provided the mailing report:

• Stating that 38 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 11, 2025.

Staff gave an overview of the case:

• Staff recommends approval with 9 conditions and 5 findings of facts.

Platting Member Liebing had questions for staff.

Chair Traxler invited the petitioner/petitioner's representative to give an overview.

The petitioner's representative, Tim Carmen chose not to speak.

Chair Traxler opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard Chair Traxler closed the public hearing and invited the petitioner and/or the petitioner's representative to further discuss and answer any questions from the Board.

The petitioner's representative spoke.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION:

Platting Member Liebing made a motion to approve the preliminary plat of

Alexander Estates. Platting Member Chiavetta seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION:

Platting Member Liebing made a motion to amend Condition of Approval #4 to state "No direct access to KGB Road for all lots adjacent to KGB: Lot 1, 2 Block 1, Lot 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, & 7 Block 2 unless authorized by the permitting authority." Platting Member Kreger would like it to state "No direct access to KGB Road for all lots adjacent to KGB: Lot 1 Block 1, Lot 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, & 7 Block 2 unless authorized by the permitting authority"

VOTE:

The motion passed without objection.

B. BROOKWOOD COMMERCIAL PARK PUE: The request is to create a Public Use Easement on Lot 1, Brookwood Commercial Park, (Plat # 2021-97), containing 3,590 sf (.08 acres +/-), (Tax ID # 8166000L001). The proposed Public Use Easement is located east of S. Knik-Goose Bay Road and directly north of E. Hard Rock Circle; located within the NW ¼ Section 15, Township 17 North, Range 01 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the City of Wasilla and Assembly District #4. (Petitioner/Owner: RFN Properties, LLC, Staff: Chris Curlin, Case #2025-024)

Chair Traxler read the statement regarding Ex-Parte & Interest on quasi-judicial action into the record.

Kayla Smith provided the mailing report:

• Stating that 57 public hearing notices were mailed out on March 11, 2025.

Staff gave an overview of the case:

• Staff recommends approval with 6 conditions and 4 findings of facts.

Chair Traxler invited the petitioner/petitioner's representative to give an overview.

The petitioner's representative, Gary LoRusso chose not to speak.

Chair Traxler opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard Chair Traxler closed the public hearing and invited the petitioner and/or the petitioner's representative to further discuss and answer any questions from the Board.

The petitioner's representative spoke.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION:

Platting Member Liebing made a motion to approve the preliminary plat of

Brookwood Commercial Park PUE. Platting Member Chiavetta seconded

the motion.

VOTE:

The motion passed without objection.

7. ITEMS OF BUSINESS & MISCELLANEOUS

(None)

8. PLATTING STAFF & OFFICER COMMENTS

- A. Adjudicatory (if needed)
- B. Upcoming Platting Board Agenda Items

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner informed the board of upcoming items:

- o There is 1 case scheduled for April 17, 2025 Platting Board.
 - o Northern Sky Estates

9. BOARD COMMENTS.

No board comments

10. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Platting Board, Chair Traxler adjourned the meeting at 1:22 PM.

MICHELLE TRAXLER

Platting Board Chair

ATTEST:

KAYIJA SMITH Platting Board Clerk





MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PORT COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING October 07, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER: ROLL CALL: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The regular meeting of the Port Commission was held in the DSJ Lower-Level Conference Room and called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chairperson Mr. Dane Crowley.

Commission members present (Quorum Established):

Mr. Dane Crowley, Chair.

Mr. Fred Elvsaas, Vice Chair

Mr. Bryan Scoresby

Mr. John Pike

Mr. Christopher Gerteisen

Staff in attendance were:

Mr. Dave Griffin, Port Operations Manager

Ms. Corinne Lindfors, Assistant Port Operations

Manager

Ms. Valerie Hendrickson, Port Administrative Specialist (via Teams)

Mr. Joe Metzger, Asset Manager

Assembly Members in attendance:

Bill Gamble

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A. The Port Commission approved the agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. The Port Commission approved the minutes from the following meetings: Regular Meeting, June 10, 2024

4. AGENCY AND STAFF REPORTS

A. Mr. Dave Griffin, Port Operations Manager Staff report: Introduction of the new Assistant Port Operations Manager, Corinne Lindfors. Update: Early completion by Western Marine Construction of the Economic Development



Administration (EDA) funded Pile Sleeve Project with cathodic protection.

- The barge business has been good. Four new operators used the port this summer, as well as other repeat operators.
- CIRI brought in a barge with equipment and materials for Fire Island. I had a
 follow-up meeting to discuss future operations and possible support of Port
 MacKenzie through "Letters of Support" when the port is seeking grant funding.
- Currently, we have a vessel offloading salt at the deep-water dock as part of the State DOT Winter Road Maintenance contract. The contractor is Northern Gravel & Trucking, and the ship is "Genco Magic." It is going well; the ship arrived on October 1st and plans to depart on October 12th.
- A site assessment report drafted by Meritage Communities LLC has been completed and will be distributed to Port Commissioners.
- A port update will be provided to the Assembly on Tuesday, November 19th.
- An update on the status of the PIDP, USMHP, & Port Security Grant was provided.
 Efforts will continue to pursue grant opportunities for equipment and infrastructure improvements necessary for business development.
- Update on the Rough Terrain Crane Grant Award process. We will move forward with research and purchase at the beginning of 2025.
- Thank you to all of the Port Commissioners for serving. Commissioners Dane Crowley and Christopher Gerteisen will have terms ending in December.

B. Mr. Joe Metzger, Asset Manager

- Leases and revenues remain primarily unchanged.
- QAP will be renewing its lease in November.

5. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Representative McCabe joined via teams. He commented the Alaska Railroad's grant request through the Federal Railroad Administration is still under review.

Assemblyman Bill Gamble comments on coal field developments and encourages the Port Commission Members to weigh in with a resolution supporting the project to the Borough Assembly.

Discussions expanded to future possible uses for the port and its importance to the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Residents and the State of Alaska. Highlighted items included the coal reserves, military usage, road access, rail access, and the West Susitna Access Road project.

Commissioners request a presentation from Flatland Energy and AIDEA at a special work session in early November. Port staff will research and update the commission with available dates.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

7. EXTENSION OF MEETING TIME

The meeting time was extended without opposition.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Define Goals for Port MacKenzie

- 1) 1 Year Goal
- 2) 3 Year Goal
- 3) 5 Year Goal

This agenda item was postponed to the next regular meeting by a unanimous vote of the Port Commission.

B. MSB Port Commission Draft Resolution Serial No. 24-001, Recommend Staff Initiate a Media Campaign to Promote Port MacKenzie.

Chair Crowley read the resolution on the record.

A motion was made by Commissioner Elvsaas and seconded by Commissioner Scoresby. Discussion ensued.

An Amendment adding "promoting economic growth and key critical infrastructure for Alaska," to the first whereas on page 2 of the resolution passed unanimously.

Vote: The main motion passes with all commissioners in support.

- C. Anderson lot and dock. A possible real estate opportunity. A privately owned parcel of land and dock (Anderson) that adjoins the port will be coming up for sale. Although an interested party is discussing a purchase with the current landowner, Manager Griffin can speak with the property owner to see if he would be interested in a possible sale to the port if directed by the commission. The Commissioners request a resolution be drafted to provide due diligence in possible land purchase.
- D. Port Infrastructure Barge Dock Condition Assessment
 Dave Griffin, Port Operations Manager: We have a rough draft now. I will provide an update
 at a future meeting
- CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION Review of the Work Session Notes 2,26.24
- 10. ADMINISTRATION AND COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Commissioner Scoresby commented on enjoying the discussions today.

Commissioner Pike commented on appreciating the more businesslike and focused discussions.

Commissioner Crowley commented on the current strike going on at ports around the country. He would like to see the port setting up non-union options for the future.

11. ADJOURNMENT)

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Corinne Lindfors, Assistant Port Operations Manager

Dane Crowley, Chairperson

Minutes Approved_

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MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PORT COMMISSION

WORK SESSION January 10, 2025

CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL; PLEDGE OF ALLIGENCE
 The regular meeting of the Port Commission was held in the DSJ Lower-Level Conference
 Room and called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chairperson Dane Crowley.

Commission members present and establishing a quorum were:

Mr. Dane Crowley

Mr. Fred Elysaas

Mr. John Pike

Mr. Bryan Scoresby

Mr. Christopher Gerteisen

Staff in attendance were:

Mr. Dave Griffin, Port Operations Manager

Ms. Corinne Lindfors, Assistant Port Operations

Manager

Mr. Joe Metzger, Asset Manager

Assembly Members in attendance:

Mr. Bill Gamble

2. AIDEA Presentation of West Susitna Access Project by Jeff San Juan Discussion and public comments.

5. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Mr. Jim Flurry

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Corinne Lindfors, Assistant Fort Operations Manager

Dane Crowley, Chairperson-

Minutes Approved

See

South Colony Road Service Area 16 2025 Road Service Contract Resolution 25-001

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Whereas, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough's South Colony RSA 16 is one of the fastest growing and densest road service areas in the borough;

Whereas, RSA 16 has many demanding winter road service needs covering many miles of roads through dense subdivisions, past many driveways of residents who are continually concerned about large driveway berms;

Whereas, RSA 16 also has many areas with serious winter snow drifting requiring extensive attention and use of personnel and equipment;

Whereas, RSA 16 has substantial need of crack sealing and pot-hole repairing on a regular basis;

Whereas, RSA 16 has had a contractor for the past few years who has gone above and beyond in meeting the myriad demands of the RSA;

Therefore, be it resolved that the South Colony RSA 16 Board supports the Matanuska-Susitna Borough's decision to continue a contract relationship with McKenna Brothers serving RSA 16.

Voting - all in favor - (3) yes (0) no

RSA 16 Board

Charles Crim, Co-Chairman

Rhonda Stark, Chairman

elly Gordon, Secretary

Date



South Colony Road Service Area 16 2025 Road Service Contract Driveway Berms Resolution 25-002

APR 23 2025 CLERKS OFFICE

Whereas, the Matanuska Susitna Borough's South Colony RSA 16 is one of the fastest growing and densest road service areas in the borough.

Whereas, RSA 16 has many demanding winter road service needs covering many miles of roads through dense subdivisions, past many driveways of residents who are continually concerned about large driveway berms.

Whereas, RSA 16 has been satisfied with how McKenna has managed driveway berms for the past contract.

Now therefore be it resolved that with McKenna as the contractor for the 2025-26 contract year RSA 16 recommends leaving the berm requirement the same as the previous contract at 12".

Voting - all in favor - (3) yes (0) no

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Rhonda Stark Chairman	Date
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Charles Crim – Co-Chairman	Date
Kelly J. Gordon	04/23/2025
Kelly Gordon - Secretary	Date

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South Lakes Community Council (SLCC)

SLCC Meeting Minutes

Date: April 7, 2025

Location: Mat-Su Midwifery & Family Health, 5000 E Shennum Dr

A: Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Dan Kennedy at 7:00 pm

B: Roll Call:

- 1. Vice-Chair Dan Kennedy present
- 2. Treasurer Susanna Biederman present
- 3. At-large Member Terry Roth present
- 4. At-Large Member Lance Nielsen present
- 5. Chair, Secretary, and one at-large position currently vacant

C: Approval of Minutes:

- 1. Treasurer Biederman made the motion to approve minutes,
- 2. Motion 2nd by Member-at-large Roth
- 3. Motion passed

D: Treasurer's Report

E: Board Positions:

- 1. Floor opened to fill vacant positions
- 2. Chair
 - a. Lynn Hallford made motion for Susanna Biederman as chair,
 - b. 2nd by Terry Roth
 - c. Susanna Biederman accepted nomination
 - d. Approved by membership
 - e. None opposed
- 3. Secretary
 - a. Chair made motion for Terry Roth as secretary
 - b. Lynn Hallford 2nd the motion
 - c. Terry Roth accepted nomination
 - d. Approved by membership
 - e. None opposed
- 4. Member-at-Large
 - a. Lynn Hallford volunteered
 - b. Approved by membership
 - c. None opposed
- 5. Treasurer no volunteers or nominations
- 6. At-Large Member no volunteers or nominations



F: By-Law Review Committee Update

- G: Community Needs or Community Projects:
 - 1. Proposed idea: community clean-up
 - 2. Proposed idea: save funds year to year for capital project
 - 3. No vote or action taken
- H: Facebook Group for Announcements and Meeting Information
 - 1. Facebook group is "South Lakes Community Council"
 - 2. Updated email address is southlakescc@gmail.com
- I: Monthly Meeting Location:
 - 1. Chair Biederman will reach out to Northern Lights Chapel as a possible meeting location
 - 2. Watch Facebook group for next meeting location
- J: Public Comments:
 - 1. In April 2024 approximately 1000+ postcards sent to households in SLCC area
 - 2. The borough pays for one mailing a year

Next Meeting: May 5, 2025 at 7 pm, location TBD

Adjourned at 7:56 pm

Susanna Biederman, Chair

Date

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Attested by

Signed by

Terry Roth, Secretary

Date



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Meeting Minutes

March 6, 2025 7:00pm Upper Susitna Senior & Community Center

Establish Quorum – Ned Sparks, Bryan Kirby, Richard Sayers, Jessi Leach & Sheena Fort.

- Call Meeting to Order 7:00pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of Meeting Agenda
 - a. Motion by: Richard Sayers
 - b. 2nd by: Sheena Fort
- IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion by: Jessi leach
 - b. 2nd by: Sheena Fort
- V. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Checking Account \$20,055.59
 - b. Savings Account \$4,232.07

VI.Persons to be Heard (suggested 3 minutes each)

a. N/A

VII. Correspondence-

a. N/A

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VIII. Committee and Governmental Reports

a. Road Service Area (15 &29) RSA15 Chairman, Dj Mcbride gave a road update: Material storage site clearing will start this summer. They are still working on funding for the roads that keep flooding and a feasibility study for Caswell Secondary road route. Tam Boeve are working on a fire mitigation grant that could fund clearing both sides of Hidden hills road. Bendapole and Caswell Lakes Road will both have stop signs installed after paving is finished this summer making it a 4 way stop. Ron Briener is trying to pass a requirement for all District 7 RSA Boards to have a minimal of 5 member boards. All RSA Boards and community members are asked to give their

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opinion at the next assembly meeting on February 18th by going in person or calling in. You can also call your Assemblyman or the Mayor.

- b. Borough, Assembly- N/A
- c. State- N/A
- d. Fire District- Talkeetna Fire chief Eric Chappel gave an update: They had 21 calls for the month, mainly weather and ice related issues. Burn permits are required starting March 17th. They can be printed online or found at any Fire Station.

IX. Old Business-

- a. Form a committee to develop emergency food procedures as approved in June meeting. (tabled)
 - b. Form committee to explore Caswell Lakes exit. N/A
- c. Zoom option update- Working on setting up the email to the zoom account. Zoom will be functional for next meeting.
 - d. Baldy Lake- N/A
- X. New Business-
- a. New Grant Cycle Funds- Applications have been collected, will be reviewed and announced at the next meeting.

Board Comment: N/A

XII. Adjournment- 7:30pm

Regular Meeting of the Talkeetna Community Council Monday, March 3rd, 2025, 7:00 p.m. Talkeetna Public Library w/ Zoom link RECEIVED

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1. Call to order 7:04pm. Establish a quorum: 6 were in

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attendance: B. Hughes, E. Hunker, K. Bowman, K. Leddy, J. Korta.

- J. Rodwell, K. Walker. Absent: K. Bowman.
- 2. Kai Leddy will take the minutes
- 3. Approval of agenda **Motion** Brad to approve, Kara seconds. Ruth Wood would like to be a person-to-be-heard, motion passes.
- 4. Approval of Minutes from 2/03/2025 **Motion** Jon motions to approve, Elliot seconds. No discussion, motion passes.
- 5. Treasurer's Report Kara Walker: MVFCU has changed the minimums to accrue interest on Savings accounts which means some of our small accounts (<\$25) will no longer accrue interest.
- 6. Out-of-Town Guest(s): none
- 7. Correspondence see correspondence packet
- 8. Announcements: see correspondence packet There is information in the Correspondence regarding the STIP (State Transportation Improvement Project) that include a comment period regarding the West Su Access Road anyone interested in submitting a comment regarding the West Su Access Road project should submit their comments by March 20th at https://dot.alaska.gov/stwdplng/cip/stip/
- 9. Persons to be heard:
 - A. Ruth Wood Treasurer of the Food Pantry, starting a new campaign for a new building for the food pantry, stay tuned for more information!
- 10. Fire Dept. Report Eric Chappel 21 calls this month, up a little bit mostly due to road conditions increase in vehicles in the ditch. The Fire Department is collecting air filters and such for their trucks in case volcanic ash in event of eruption so they can stay in service looking for responders if anyone is interested about 10hr/week commitment. Jon asked if Eric had been in touch with Clay Hoyt who had spoken at the February meeting about fire



protection plans in the area - Eric and Clay will touch base soon.

11. Talkeetna Water and Sewer Board - n/a

- 12. Talkeetna Road Service Area Report John Strasenburgh D&S (our road contractor) has turned in their contract to the borough meaning they would like it to go out for re-bidding. The contract is set up where both the borough and the contractor have to agree to move forward or the contract will go out for re-bid. Additionally, Ron Bernier has put forth legislation that all RSA boards increase to 5 members (currently 3 members). This legislation *only* covers District 7 (northern susitna valley) and not the other districts of the Mat Su Borough. All the RSA's affected by this opposed this legislation. More info on this in "New Business".
- 13. Talkeetna Library Report Geri Denkewalter Alaska Public Media distributing a documentary on the History of libraries, it is 45 minutes long and will be March 13th, 5:30-7pm. Puzzle competition was a great success everyone had a wonderful time. A local Talkeetnan has loaned the library their large lego sculptures very neat and on display at the library and on rotation for folks to check out. Summer reading program is gearing up, local businesses please consider donating prizes. The Talkeetna library now has a calendar setup for people to reserve rooms, the rooms are reserved 1-4 times a day, lots of great use at the library there is a need for a bigger building to accommodate all this activity.

14. Committee/Board Reports

- a. TPAC (Talkeetna Parks Advisory Committee) n/a
- b. Recycling Cici Schoenberger See the report in the correspondence packet. They are kicking off a recycling barrel borrowing program so organizations/individuals that want to borrow a barrel for an event can contact Recycling. They even have a QR code to get to their email to inquire. Recycling is continuing to work on their grant to get recycling bear-proof containers downtown as well as paying employees to pick up trash/recycling. They now have an education subcommittee whose goal is to get word out to people to get them more involved in recycling their products. They are starting to look at what mobile recycling will look like this summer it will not be cardboard pickup for businesses this year, too much work. However, looking into picking up individual recycling from people who have difficulties getting to the transfer station. Lots happening! A big thank you to Eric Denkewalter for helping recycling get the frozen connex doors open!
- c. CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) still looking for local leaders! Contact Eric Chappel if interested.
- d. Community Assistance Program looking for a committee chair to head up the project, we are looking for people to join the committee (they don't have to be on the TCCI board!) and it's a fun time looking over the proposals and distributing funds to the local nonprofits that apply. The board talked about what the timeline should be. **Motion:** Leddy motions for the deadline to submit a CAP funds application sent into TCCI would be **April 11th, 2025.** Brad seconds, no discussion motion passes.

- e. Technology Committee Kai Leddy committee chairs please keep on top of sending in your meeting dates/times/locations to Leddy so she can update the website big thank you to those who have been!
- f. Paddle and Racket Committee Brad Hughes next meeting is Mar 19th at 6pm at TKA library.
- g. Skatepark Committee Caitlin Palmer Jodi attended the Krew Feud fundraiser and had a great time! Skatepark has been plugging away at grants.

15. Unfinished Business

a. Land Use Agreement with MSB for Skatepark (from Jan. 2025 meeting) – this agreement has been restructured to reflect the liability/insurance more like the playground. The contractor is responsible for signage/etc during construction and once completed that gets signed over to the Mat Su Borough's liability.
Motion Jon motions to approve the MSB Land Use Agreement for the skatepark, Elliot seconds. Discussion: Jon- we need to make clear with Skatepark that when they work with contractor that once it is completed it gets signed over to borough (liability). No opposition, motion passes.

16. New Business

A. TCCI Budget - by formality we need to approve the budget (this was meant to be done in January, but our Treasurer was absent) - this budget can be viewed in the FEBRUARY Correspondence Packet. **Motion** Jon motions to approve the budget, Elliot seconds. Discussion: Jon - thank you Kara for pulling this together, it looks great. TCCI admin(s) don't need any share of the CAP funds. No opposition, motion passes.

B. Alaska Long Trail Advisory Group - Jon Korta, Kai Leddy, Roger Robinson, Ruth Wood all submitted applications to be considered for the AK Long Trail Advisory Group. **Motion** Elliot moves to approve those 4 applicants to be advisory to the AK Long Trail working group, Brad seconds. Discussion: Jon - Sam Dinges (the original contact for this project) has moved on and Hailey is the new contact for this. Jon will forward these names onto the broader working group and we will go from there. There may be a pause with the current federal administration actions regarding public lands. Motion passes.

C. MSB ordinance 25-017 An Ordinance Amending MSB 5.25, Service Areas, To Provide For A Five-Member Board Of Supervisors For The Road Service Areas In Caswell Lakes, Greater Willow, Meadow Lakes, Gold Trail, Greater Talkeetna, And Trapper Creek. - John Strasenburgh - This issue addresses roads and road maintenance (plowing, berms, potholes, etc.) the RSA (Road Service Area) group is part of a 3-way relationship between the borough, the contractor, and the community and the RSA group represents the community. They meet via Zoom because it's convenient for the borough and contractor to be present at the meetings. The RSA group is advisory to the borough, they have no authority over the contractor and make no policy. This legislation that Ron Bernier is putting forth was done so without consulting or informing the RSA boards, John with RSA 29 (Greater Talkeetna Area) has not been able to get in touch with Bernier (isn't

returning phone calls). This legislation came before the Assembly on Feb 18th and the northern valley RSA's (all the RSA's of district 7) were in opposition and the Assembly postponed. It will now come before the Assembly again on March 18th there is time to contact the Assembly/Mayor about this issue. John emphasized that none of the RSA's want this and are unsure of the reasoning behind this legislation. John states this is a top-down mandate that was not in coordination with the communities involved - there's a lack of communication between Bernier and the RSA's this affects. Of the 16 RSA's, 2 of them have a 5 member board and both have serious issues that has included the assembly having to remove board members. As far as Talkeetna is concerned, we have a low population, lots of gravel roads, few big projects, and it's very hard to recruit new board members - we currently have 3 (wonderful) RSA board members and if it was mandated to be 5 it would be difficult to get a quorum and could potentially make the currently functional board become dysfunctional. John is requesting TCCI write a letter in support of the status quo. Motion Jon motions for TCCI to write a letter in support of the status quo, not increasing the required board size to 5 members. Kara seconds. Discussion: John Stras, Billy Fitzgerald, and Robert Gerlach, Additional members to the board would have to be within RSA 29. Elliot asked which RSA's have 5 members - it is Knik (who can't fill the board) and Big Lake (which is having the infighting issues where the assembly will remove members to fix). Jon K. states "if it isn't broke, don't fix it" and that boards are hard to fill and keep our committed members. It is in MSB code that *if* RSA 29 wanted to increase the size of their board they could, but RSA 29 doesn't so they don't want to be forced to. John S. said the letter would have to be written by next week to make it in the Assembly's packet. No opposition, motion passes.

17. Board Comments

Elliot - Thanks to fellow board members and their attitudes, thanks to John S. and bringing the RSA 29 issue here tonight and for his time put into it.

Kara - General thank you to everyone for attending and providing helpful comments, thank you to board members while she was gone.

Brad - Appreciates how engaged everyone is, pickleball and ping pong are happening at the schools currently and people have been very excited about it!

Leddy - Thank you everyone for going slow with their board comments so Leddy has time to type it all! Thank you everyone who showed up tonight, this meeting was a "light" one though the issues discussed were still important. Sometimes we have a "whopper" of a meeting so it's great to have people show up even for these "lighter" months.

Jon - Thanks Jodi for running the meeting, Jon has been sick several days. Thanks Leddy for setting up the OWL and it was generally good and might need tweaks, thank you Geri for coordinating this so we could borrow this borough piece of technology. It is helpful. Shoutout to Skatepark folks, they've been very active with fundraising, meetings- it's great to see all this energy going into a community project! Wanted to confirm that Brad is the next TCCI Board member to listen in on the next Assembly meeting. Oosik is this weekend, the weather is deteriorating the trails but they are altering course and should have more info for tomorrow. Eric Chappel requested an emailed copy of the new route.

Jodi - Thanks to everyone for being here, thanks for being here on Zoom, be safe this weekend

at Oosik and please reach out to connect@talkeetnacouncil.org with any questions/concerns/etc. Keep an eye out for our CAP form for all our nonprofit communities to apply for funding!

18. Adjourn Motion by Brad, Elliot seconds. No opposition, meeting adjourned 8:22pm.

Next meeting April 7th, 2025 at 7pm at Talkeetna Public Library.

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Signed by: Jon Korta, Chair _	Date: <u>4-7-25</u>
Attested to: Kai Leddy. Secretary	Date: 4-7-25

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES Jan. 28, 2025

LOCATION:

Menard Center 1001 S. Clapp St. Wasilla, AK 99654 and/or Zoom

meeting ID: 898 6138 3709 or telephone 346-248-7799

CALLED TO ORDER:

7:00PM AKST

ATTENDEES:

Amanda Kern, Pres, Mary Ravetta, VP, Corine Hickey, Tres,

Stace Farrow, Secr absent, Rachel Lund, absent

Guests:

Kelly Killpatrick, Strategic Planning Meeting

Mat-Su Assembly member, Dmitri Fonov

TREASURER'S REPORT

• Corine Hickey, no report given

GUEST SPEAKER: #1. Kelly Killpatrick, Big Lake, Strategic Planning Meeting

- Reported Church Road Repairs to be Aug/Sept if not sooner
- Announced Transportation meeting at Raven Hall Palmer Jan 27 3 7pm

GUEST SPEAKER: #2. Mat-Su Borough Assemblyman, Dmitri Fonov:

- Follow-up discussion regarding Mat-Su Borough meeting to thank the Borough for the help with cleaning up Heather Way.
- TCC Postponed Borough meeting date until Feb 18th, 2025

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion involving mailers and reaching community members.

QR code-TCC continued the discussion on creating a QR code for easier information access.

TCC Party - Summer

S curves on Schrock between E. McAdoo Way and Wilmington Dr.

Draft letter to Andy Mills for solutions (flashing curse ahead signs, etc.)

Future Community Clean up events – continue discussion for late spring/early summer clean up.

NEW BUSINESS:

Concerns broached by community members.

MSB February meeting – Thank you video with 5 or 6 people.

The next Community meeting is on Tuesday, February 25, 2025 at 7pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm.

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES Feb. 25, 2025

LOCATION:

Menard Center 1001 S. Clapp St. Wasilla, AK 99654 and/or Zoom

meeting ID: 898 6138 3709 or telephone 346-248-7799

CALLED TO ORDER:

7:00PM AKST

ATTENDEES:

Amanda Kern, Pres, Mary Ravetta, Vp, Corine Hickey, Tres,

Stace Farrow, Rachel Lund, Sec, absent

GUESTS:

None

I. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

• Corine Hickey motioned the Previous Meeting Minutes and Stace seconded Previous Meeting Minutes for tonight's meeting.

II. Approval of Agenda

 Corine Hickey motioned the agenda and Stace seconded the agenda for tonight's meeting.

III. Treasurer's Report

 Corine Hickey, Same as last month. Corine will get with Will, our last Treasurer to get the latest Form 990 for Taxes.

IV. Guest Speaker and/or Assembly Representative:

- A) Senate representative- None tonight
- B) Assemblyman representative- None tonight

V. Old Business

- **A.** Community Outreach -TCC Party Summer Discussed having it September 6th or 13th due to best weather conditions. Mailers discussed briefly to send them out this year.
- **B.** Future Community Clean up events Coming up waiting for dates from Wasilla city and Mat Su Borough. Will continue to discuss and plan then.
- C. MSB February meeting- Thank you video recap. Also called Appreciation Video at the Mat-Su Borough meeting was a success. Corine stood up and spoke, Stace and Mary attended. Video of several comments given was shown. Would like to repeat this for other sucesses.

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- **D.** January Meeting- State of Alaska Transportation Road Improvements (Big Lake and Church Road)- recap:
 - A) Paving Church road was brought up. No new information.
 - B) Round About on Bogard and Green Forest was posted on FB page and briefly discussed.
 - C) Angst road issues were discussed.

VI. New Business

A. STIP project updates in Amendment 2. Open for 30 days puplic comment period beginning 2/18 to 3/20/2025

https://dot.alaska.gov/stip/

Stace will post constuction updates on Facebook.

- B. Community Party (Summer) -Discussed having it September 6th or 13th due to best weather conditions.
 - C. Changing of TCC Logo Solidify using AI
- **D.** Social media platform expansion- included Blue Sky, Instagram? Also discussed using the event features on Facebook, etc to invite others events and meetings. Discussed using Nextdoor as well.
 - E. Concerns broached by community members

VII. Persons To Be Heard

A. Outreach for volunteers from community to speak

VIII. Roundtable Discussion- as required

- A. Asked members for Topics to have guests come and speak on.
- B. Members desire cleaning up more homes.

IX. Adjournment

Our next Community meeting is 4th Tuesday of the month 25 March 2025

Next Meeting is at Menard Center, 25 February 2025 at 7pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.



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TUESDAY MARCH 25, 2025 @ 7pm

Curtis Menard Sports Complex Meeting Room or via Zoom.com meeting ID: 898 6138 3709, Location:

Called to Order: 7:02 pm AKST by Amanda Kern

Attendance: Amanda Kern, Corine Hickey via zoom, Rachel Lund, Velinda Brooks, Stacy Farrow, Senator Mike Showers via zoom

- Motion -I move to approve the previous meeting minutes dated Feb 25, 2025. Motion by Amanda, 2nd by Rachel. Motion passed unanimously.
- II. Motion I make move to approve the agenda as written. Motion by Rachel & 2nd by Stacy and passed unanimously.
- III. Treasurer's Report: Corine Hickey
 - a. \$74,297 balance
 - b. 2024 Taxes filed with form 990
 - c. Discussion to invest money
- IV. Guest Speaker and/or Assembly Representative:
 - A. Assembly Rep Fonov at the borough assembly meeting
 - B. Senator Mike Showers join via zoom
 - a. senator.mike.shower@akleg.gov
 - b. Senator Showers will cosponsor Senator Mike Cronk's squatters bill. Senator Showers will look into addendum to the bill. The bill is not in the que yet.
 - The TCC will email Senator Showers.
 - i. Amanda will email Senator Showers about the 'S' curve on Schrock including pictures.
 - ii. Corine will email Senator Showers about what we would like to see in the squatters bill. The TCC would like the State of Alaska to implement an enforceable process to take action against a derelict property. Included in the email will be a power point presentation made by Will Hastening's with an example of how Maricopa County in Arizona created an enforceable process to take action against a derelict property.
 - Senator Shower discuss the budget. Good news new resource development including pipeline will benefit Alaska budget in 6-8 yrs but in next 4 yrs budget will be tough to balance budget. He has idea to cut positions that are not filled, cut the lapsing funds and keep supplemental budget, reduce cost, cut PFD and reduce services such as Medicaid and raise taxes

V. Old Business

- A. Community outreach -will discuss in April meeting
- B. Future Community clean up events- Motion I move that we budget \$500 for the 2025 community clean up. Amanda motion and Stacy 2nd. Vote pass unanimously
- C. Community Party (late summer/ early fall) Amanda and Stacy spear head and will discuss more in April
- D. Form 990- filed Corine

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Update TCC logo four designs purposed discuss more in April general membership meeting
- B. Concern broached by community members_Raven drug house and Fonov took Assembly school board meeting took information_discussion postponed until April general membership meeting
- C. March 17 Planning Commission Packet and WSAB packet post water set upload to facebook and social media sites- Thanks Stacy for posting to social media
- D. Realtor Motion I move that we discuss with a realtor the possibly of purchasing property. Motion by Rachel & 2nd Corine. After discussion motion passed unanimouslyDiscussion - What is the purpose of property? The purpose of the property is to serve the Tanaina community council area. Discussion of a park and a building for the Tanaina community council to meet. One lot for sale is the 4.77 acres that borough just cleaned up on Heather way.
- E. Trail system would like to invite trail person and mental health trust off Sage due to time discussion postponed until April general membership meeting

VI Persons to be heard -None

VII Roundtable Discussion-None

VIII Adjournment

Our next TCC Community meeting is 4th Tuesday of the Month April 22, 2025

8:28 pm meeting Adjournment

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AGENDA

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING TUESDAY March 25, 2025

Location: Curtis Menard Sports Complex Meeting Room

and/or via Zoom.com meeting ID: 898 6138 3709 or telephone 346-248-7799

Time: 7:00:pm AKST

Requested attendance: All General Members

I. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

II. Approval of Agenda

III. Treasurer's Report: Corine Hickey

IV. Guest Speaker and/or Assembly Representative:

- A. Senate representative
- B. Assemblyman representative

V. Old Business

- A. Community outreach
- **B.** Future Community Clean up events continue discussion early summer clean up.
- C. Community Party (late summer/early fall)
- **D.** Form 990

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Changing of TCC Logo options provided (no cost to TCC)
- B. Concerns broached by community members
- C. March 17 Planning Commission Packet (be worthwhile to upload to our social media sites?)
- D. March 12 WSAB Packet

VII. Persons To Be Heard

A. Outreach for volunteers from community to speak.

VIII. Roundtable Discussion- as required

IX. Adjournment

Trapper Creek Community Council General Meeting Minutes 6:30PM Thursday, March 27, 2025

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Trapper Creek Community Center Mile Post 115.2 George Parks Highway ERKS OFFICE Turn onto E Trapper Creek Park Circle PO Box 13021 Trapper Creek AK 99683 Telephone Conference (907)-373-2663 Enter Code: 991090#

- Call to Order- 6:36pm
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Determination of Quorum-yes 6 members
- Board Members in Attendance- Jason Kresge, Mike Volin, Kim Torbick, Degosh Reed, Tom Amalfitano, Dave Ritenburgh
- Others in Attendance- Steve Strong Jr., Ginafur Periera, Heather Burnell, Isaac Garner, Alma Garner, AJ Garner, via teleconference: Ruth Reeder, Jennie Earles Goetsch
- Approval of March Agenda- approved
- Minutes of the Regular February Meeting- Tom made a motion to approve the minutes, Dave seconded. Board voted, all approved
- Borough Assembly Report (if current Representative has reached out)- none
- **Treasurer Report** Report given by Degosh. Bottom line is \$6,758.13.
- **Community Reports**
 - TCCSA Water Committee- The Trapper Creek Water Point has dispensed 368,697.21 gallons to date. All is going well.
 - Trapper Creek Volunteer Fire Department- no report
 - CERT Team- CERT will be providing first aid at the Cabin Fever Reliever event this weekend. Mike wanted to again thank the volunteers who assisted with the call they received last month to check on the person in their remote cabin. Mike is planning to have a meeting to drum up more volunteers for CERT.
 - Youth Council Liaison- A fundraiser is planned for the Cabin Fever Reliever event. They turned in a receipt to the Treasurer for purchases made for the event.

Correspondence/Current Mail

Email from Amanda Fleming- Amanda sent an email asking for the February meeting information. Her email went on to say that the communication between the Council and the community is lacking and she requests that we follow the proper protocol of posting our minutes, agenda and correspondence to the post office board as well as on the website.



- Department of Public Safety- see attached
- Utility Tariff Filing- see attached.
- Permit application for Earth Material Extraction- see attached
- Streambank Rehabilitation Workshop- see attached
- Nick Begich's Newsletter see attached

Jason brought up that there is a bridge project planned for mile marker 128. It will be a 2-year project. They will also be working on the culvert pipes along the highway.

Public Forum

- Special Guest- Heather Burnell- She is a Physician's Assistant providing a mobile medical service.
 Her goal is to provide heath care to rural areas and make it easier to access. She would like to provide a walk-in clinic at the Park. She can also provide in-home service. She has a van she has converted into an office/exam room.
- Jennie Earles Goetsch wanted to comment on the council communication. She would like to request that the website be updated with agendas, minutes and correspondence.

Unfinished Business

- TCCC Proposed Boundary Update- progress is going slowly. The public is contacting us and
 informing us that they do not want the change and neither do their neighbors; however, we
 cannot count votes this way. There will be a public vote in the future via mail.
- Speed Limit nothing new other than the letter we discussed during the correspondence portion of the meeting
- Trooper Post-The budget has not been decided on yet, they are still in session. Jason suggests
 going onto the governor's website to show your support for the post. Especially in light of the
 recent theft of snow machines, enclosed trailers, and other items from the various parking areas
 we need the police presence. The troopers are looking into who is responsible for the theft. Any
 information, no matter how insignificant it seems, should be reported to the AST.
- Mike wanted to add information about the speed limit change. He had a short interview on the KTNA radio station and the Mayor of Mat-Su, Edna Devries, was on the show that day and she was not aware that we were trying to change the speed limit, so she is now informed.

XIV. New Business

- Vote on Bylaw change- Tom made a motion to accept the change to the bylaws, which changes
 the quorum from 3 to 5, Dave seconded. Board voted, all approved. The bylaws will be changed
 to a quorum of 5 instead of 3.
- Meeting Adjourned: Dave made a motion to adjourn, Degosh seconded. The board voted all approved.
 Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Date of Next Regular Meeting: 6:30PM Thursday, April 17, 2025

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Jason Kresge, Chairman Date Kim Torbick, Secretary Date



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WILLOW AREA COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION MONTHLY MEETING

DATE 03/05/2025 7:00 p.m.

Call to order 7:00 p.m.

Board quorum was established. Community quorum was NOT established.

Board members present: Greg Jones, Maura Shea, Sophia Boufidou, Talon Boeve, Barbara

Ensley, Tryg Erickson, Matt Elkins, and Rodney McCambridge

Board members absent: Linda Oxley

Pledge of allegiance led by Rodney McCambridge.

02/05/2025 Meeting Minutes were approved.

Agenda approved.

BOARD REPORTS

- A. **Chair**: There is a wedding fair at the Alaska State Fairgrounds, we got a complimentary table and we are looking for someone to man it on 3/8.
- B. **V. Chair:** we will be voting for new board members on April 2nd. The building locks will be getting replaced soon by the Borough.

C. Treasurer:

<u>Financial review:</u> Iditarod gave us the \$2,000 deposit, which, since we did not rent the building to anyone else, we will keep. As expected, Carnival gave us a nice increase in the credit union accounts. At the end of February there was almost \$93,800 in the General and Gaming accounts. This is about the same amount that was in the credit union accounts on July 1st, the beginning of the fiscal year. Looking forward to the end of the fiscal year, the balances may be lower because expenses will probably be greater than revenues.

Willow Area Community Organization

Statement of Financial Position As of February 28, 2025

	AUL 2024	AUG 2024	SEP 2024	OCT 2024	%OV 2024	DEC 2024	JAN 2025	FEB 2025
ASSETS								
Current Assets								
Bank Accounts								
10000 Cash								
10010 General Account	88,058.88	87,725.13	91,883.54	87,251.78	87,485.58	72,689.87	74,671.96	73,721.59
10040 Garring Account	5,436.54	5,820.59	4,844.62	3,388.59	3,222.35	6,355.84	13,489,92	20,061.34
10050 Youth Forum	8,000.61	3,487.67	3,474.61	2,378.47	3,187.87	3,175.01	3,162.15	3,146,48
10060 Willow Traits Committee	88,170.55	68,274.40	75,995.44	74,502.00	73,630.11	93,601.71	90.682.36	91,259.08
10090 Recycle Committee	4,697.70	4,697.70	4,698.89	4,798.89	4,798.89	4,800.10	4,800.10	4,800.10
10100 CERT	2,869.20	2,424.32	3,102.97	3,103.11	3,103.24	3,103.39	3,103.53	3,103.65
Total 10000 Cash	193,233.48	190,429.81	184,000.07	175,422.84	175,428.04	183,725.72	189,910.04	196,092.20
Total Bank Accounts	\$193,233.48	\$190,429.81	\$184,000.07	\$175,422.84	\$175,428.04	\$183,725.72	\$189,910.04	\$196,092.20
Other Current Assets	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Total Current Assets	\$193,233.48	\$190,429.81	\$184,000.07	\$176,422.84	\$176,428.04	\$184,725.72	\$190,910.04	\$197,092.20
Fued Assets								
15001 Land	1,448.04	1,448.04	1,448.04	1,446.04	1,446.04	1,446.04	1,448.04	1,448.04
16001 Equipment	13,349.00	13,349.00	13,349.00	13,349.00	13,349.00	13,349.00	13,349.00	13,349.00
17001 Accumulated Depreciation - Equipment	-13,349.00	-13,349.00	-13,349.00	-13,349.00	-13,349.00	-13,349.00	-13,349.00	-13,349.00
Total Fixed Assets	\$1,446.04	\$1,446.04	\$1,446.04	\$1,448.04	\$1,448.04	\$1,446.04	\$1,446.04	\$1,446.04
TOTAL ASSETS	\$194,679.52	\$191,875.85	\$185,448.11	\$177,868.88	\$177,874.08	\$188,171.76	\$192,356.08	\$198,538.24
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY								
Labilities								
Current Liabines	\$0.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,920.00	\$2,065.00	\$1,480.00	\$2,210.00	\$2,010.00	\$890.00
Total Liabilities	\$0.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,920.00	\$2,065.00	\$1,480.00	\$2,210.00	\$2,010.00	\$890.00
Equity								000000
Opening balance equity	267,736 56	267,736.56	267,736 56	267,736 56	267,736.56	267,738.58	267,736.56	267,736.56
Retained Earnings	-80,386 35	-80,386.35	80.386.35	-80,386.35	80,386,35	-80,386 35	-80,386,35	-80,386.39
Net Revenue	7,329.31	3,425.64	-3.824 10	-11,546 33	-10.956.13	-3,388.45	2,995,87	10,298.00
Total Equity	\$194,679.52	\$190,775.85	\$183,528.11	\$175,803.88	\$176,394,08	\$183,961,76	\$190,348.08	\$197,648.2
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$194,679.52	\$191,875.85	\$185,446.11	\$177,868.88	\$177,874,08	\$188,171.78	\$192,356,08	\$196,538.2

Statement of Activity - February (See Numbers Below):

Revenue

We received a \$2,500 donation to support Carnival from Mat Valley Federal Credit Union. Big thank you to them!

We also received donations from Ethan Williams, Craig Rappe and Carrie Smoldon.

Sales Revenue is all related to Carnival and includes Pin sales, Kitchen revenue, clothing revenue and Kick Off dinner ticket sales.

Rental revenue is the \$2000 deposit Iditarod owed us by the end of December. The remaining \$252 is Pickleball rental for January

Gaming Revenue is Pull Tab sales to the Pioneer Lodge and large & mini raffle ticket sales.

Special event revenue is from the Art Auction, Dessert Auction, event entry fees, vendor booth rental and parking revenue.

Expenses

Usual payroll expense

Marketing was Carnival related

Insurance and office expenses were the usual.

Gaming expense includes bingo door prizes and purchase of pull tabs for sale to the Pioneer Lodge.

Occupancy expenses were the usual monthly expenses like the port-a-potties and heating fuel for the museum. We did receive the shared utility invoice from the Borough which totaled \$11,200.

Special event expenses were all for carnival and included food, prizes and decorations. For February we had a positive operating revenue of \$6,700.

Willow Area Community Organization

Statement of Activity - Operations February 2025

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40000 Contributions	2 500 0
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40050 Donations Individuals	
Total 40000 Contributions	2,795.0
42000 Sales Revenue	8,825.00
43000 Rantal Revenue	2,252.50
44000 Gaming Revenue	8,879.4
45000 Spocial Event Revenue	4,880.70
49000 Other Revenue	75.30
Total Revenue	\$27,707.95
GROSS PROFIT	\$27,707.95
Expondtures	
50000 Payrot Expenses	1,440.04
60000 Advertising & Marketing	918.09
63000 insurance	719.18
64000 Office Expenses	488.46
65000 Gaming Expense	1,246.85
67000 Repairs & Maintenance	15.99
68000 Occupancy	
68010 Port-A-Potty	500.00
68050 Cleaning Supplies	22 20
68100 Utilicies	
68110 Electric - Community Center	4.062.20
68121 Electric - Museum	67 93
68130 Diesel	3.260 31
68150 Stove Fuci	211 65
Total 68100 Utilities	7,602.09
68200 Trash	249 47
68250 Snow Removal	3,730.00
Total 68000 Occupancy	12,103.76
69000 Other Exponsos	83.28
70000 Special Event Expenses	3.971.27
Total Expenditures	\$20,966,92
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$6,741.03
NET REVENUE	\$6,741.03

Budget vs Actual (See Numbers Below):

Still waiting on the CAP grant funds which will make us positive for Contributions. Contracts which is the library cleaning agreement is on target.

Moving to Sales Revenue. The primary reason for revenue exceeding budget is due to the gun show which wasn't anticipated. Sales revenue will be even greater because Rodney has some other events in the works.

Rental revenue will exceed budget by June 30. This is without the \$6,000 that would have come from Iditarod had the race not moved to Fairbanks.

Gaming revenue will fall short by several thousand dollars. Additional revenue will come from game sales to the Pioneer Lodge. If additional Bingo nights are scheduled revenue will move closer to budget.

Special Event revenue is spot on.

Payroll, marketing, insurance and office supplies should be on target.

Gaming expenses will be under budget by \$5,500 unless additional pull tab games are purchased, or Bingo nights are scheduled.

Contracts and R & M should be very close to budget.

Occupancy expenses may come in a little under budget. Where we end up will depend on electricity and diesel usage through June.

It's possible we'll be about \$1000 over budget on special event expenses because we just received the \$2500 bill for the fireworks show and there may be about \$1,000 in food costs still out there.

Willow Area Community Organization

Budget vs. Actuals: FY2025 Budget July 2024 - June 2025

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Rovenue	THE RESERVE OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY		40 000 00
40000 Contributions	13,395.00	23,890.00	10,595.00
41000 Contracts	9,500.00	15,000.00	5,500.00
42000 Sales Revenue	15,743.50	12,570.00	-3,173.50
43000 Rontal Rovenue	16,230.10	17,420.00	1,189.90
44000 Gaming Revenue	28,822.55	34,990.00	8,167.45
45000 Special Event Revenue	6,520.70	6,500.00	-20.70
49000 Other Revenue	596.65	1,100.00	503.35
Total Revenue	\$90,808.50	\$111,570.00	\$20,761.50
GROSS PROFIT	\$90,808.50	\$111,570.00	\$20,781.50
Exponditures			
50000 Payroli Expenses	12,856.30	21,570.00	8,713.70
60000 Advortising & Marketing	1,879.81	2,650.00	770.19
63000 insurance	5,629.23	8,390.00	2,760.77
64000 Office Expenses	3,582.98	4,820.00	1,237.02
65000 Gaming Expense	16,680.85	22,200.00	5,519.15
66000 Contract & Professional Fees	500.00	980.00	480.00
67000 Repairs & Maintenance	4,520.99	8,840.00	4,319.01
68000 Occupancy			
68010 Port-A-Potty	5,242.86	6.000.00	757.14
68050 Cleaning Supplies	1,269.81	2,900.00	1,630.19
68100 Unities			
68110 Electric - Community Contor	9,692.15	16,400.00	6,707.85
68120 Electric - Newman Park		280.00	280.00
68121 Electric - Museum	419.51	750.00	330.49
68130 Diesel	8,705 96	12,900.00	4,194.04
68140 Propane		700.00	700.00
68150 Stove Fuel	1,649 89	2,800.00	1,150.11
68170 Propane Tank Rental		140.00	140.00
Total 68100 Utilities	20,467.51	33,970.00	13,502.49
68200 Trash	718.47	1,040.00	321.53
68250 Snow Removal	6,850 00	8.000 00	1,150.00
Total 68000 Occupancy	34,548.65	51,910.00	17,361.35
69000 Other Expenses	63.28	0.00	-63.28
70000 Special Event Expenses	10,671.20	13,200.00	2,526.80
71000 Awards & Grants to Others	•	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Expenditures	\$90,933.29	\$135,560.00	\$44,626.71
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ -124.79	\$ -23,990.00	\$ -23,865.21
NET REVENUE	\$ -124.79	\$ -23,990.00	\$ -23,865.21

Carnival Comparison

Net income from 2025 carnival will be about \$22,500. We don't yet have the invoice for food, but an estimate is included in the total.

CARNIVAL COMPARISIONS

		2023			2024			2025		
	Revenue	Expense	Net Income	Revenue	Expense	Net Income	Revenue	Expense	Net Income	
RaMe	23,760,00	7,948,54	15,811.46	18,600.00	8,253.18	10,346.82	14,990.00	8,397.45	6,592.55	
Mini Rame	1,662.00	199.64	1,462.36	1,915.84	•	1,915.84	1,438.00	114.98	1,323 02	
Art Auction	2,813.00	•	2,813.00	2,564.00	•	2,564.00	1,792.00	<u> </u>	1,792.00	
Dessert Auction	1,612.00	-	1,612.00	1,000.00	-	1,000.00	1,573.00	•	1,573.00	
Booth Rental	2,955.00	•	2,955.00	1,770.00	•	1,770.00	1,470.00		1,470.00	
Pips	2,625.00	1,827.00	798.00	2,684.00	1,830.00	854.00	2,329.50	1,805.00	524.50	
Clothing	1,136.00	2,315.00	(1,179.00)	2,029.00	1,464.00	565.00	2,462.00	2,267.00	195.00	
Bingo	3,449.25	2,050.46	1,398.79	1,505.00	950.00	555.00	1,894.80	1,146.80	748.00	
Pull tabs	693.00	225.00	468.00	1,130.00	555.00	575.00	1,461.00	750.00	711.00	
Split/pot	363.00	•	363.00	288.00	•	288.00	298.00	-	298.00	
Deli	727.50	343.84	383.66	•	•	-	•		<u> </u>	
Dinner	2,435.00	1,117.61	1,317.39	2,690.00	1,815.79	874.21	3,306.00	1,704.82	1,601.18	
Kitchen	5,261.00	3,091.56	2,169.44	3,417.00	2,185.95	1,231.05	4,118.50	3,496.68	621.82 °I	Est
Parking	614.00	•	614.00	415.50	•	415.50	540.70	•	540.70	
Fire/Ice	778.00	689.95	88.05	592.00	714.37	(122.37)	586.00	278.08	307.92	
Events	806.00	150.00	656.00	718.00	424.74	293.26	365.00	495.64	(130.64)	
Hockey		1,043.57	(1,043.57)	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Op Exp		2,490.38	(2,490.38)		3,934.95	(3,934.95)		4,615.06	(4,615.06)	
Donations	4,759.00	• .	4,759.00	4,400.00	•	4,400.00	9,045.00	•	9,045.00	
	56,448.75	23,492.55	32,956.20	45,718.34	22,127.98	23,590.36	47,669.50	25,071.51	22,597.99	

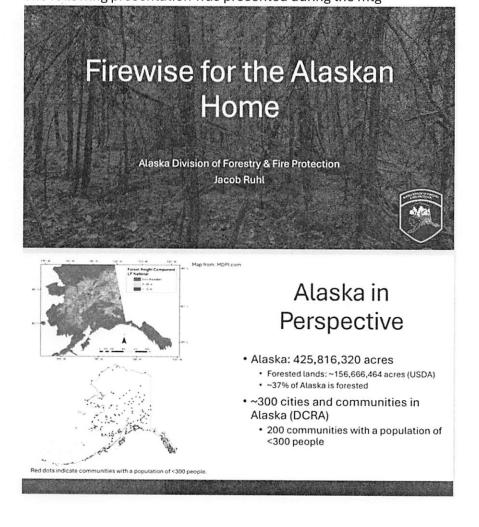
- At-Large-Representative-1 Rodney announced that the Gun Show on May 16 and 17 is a go, we'll need volunteers for the kitchen. Also, working on having a Yard Sale on 4/24.
- E. **At-Large-Representative-4 Talon** reminded us that at the next mtg we will need to select a scholarship committee. We have one application, there is a new form on the Website. Scholarship money comes primarily from the Dessert Auction during the Carnival.

NEW BUSINESS

- **1. Coal mine and a 400 Megawatt power plant in the Skwentna area** Not sure of the status, no formal applications for the land, it's probably still years away.
- **2. Parks Hwy road maintenance** We need the residents to show support and convey to the State a sense of urgency. The highway between Willow and Houston is dangerous and getting worse. The STIP (Statewide Transportation Improvements Program) site is <u>Alaska DOT&PF STIP</u> and it contains the most current project statuses along with information to submit comments and/or concerns.
- 3. Possible Improvements to the building lighting and sound system A list of possible events/activities (such as movie nights, talent shows, theater, standup comedy, live music, etc.) was presented by Garrett, all within reach but upgrades to the lighting and sound systems would be a must. Audience also contributed that if we could provide such activities and local entertainment in general, we'd also be providing reasons for kids and adults to stay in the area. We'd need to invest in lighting and sound systems to modernize so the events are appealing. Such upgrades would also increase our rental potential. What we have is outdated and hard to use (we don't have any experienced people to operate). Chair authorized a Committee with Talon and Garrett to create an estimate and proposal for such upgrades. This would be a different than the Marketing committee; this will be for infrastructure upgrades primarily but not going after marketing events.

- **4. Susitna Forestry Resources and Programs** (<u>Kate Thoden</u>, Forester, State of Alaska Division of Forestry) <u>The following topics were covered during the meeting:</u>
 - 1. Alaska State Forest-there's an online link for information: https://forestry.alaska.gov/ March 17 is the beginning of the fire season this year due to lack of snow.
 - 2. Su Forest Guidelines-1991 for currently under update this year, online survey for input; trying to revise and update use su forest guidelines
 - 3. Forestry permits- for \$10/cord Firewood, sawlogs for building/lumber, personal or commercial cutting, how to get a permit we want to clean uo and help the rehabilitation
 - 4. CWPP a program to reimburse and work with neighborhood efforts to reduce fire risk; grant funded; success stories and why firewise neighborhoods programs, applications can be acquired from the dept of forestry to safeguard i dividual neighborhood
 - 5. **PRESENTATION from the Stewardship Program** guidance to manage your timber, reduce fire-risk, protect your home, how to meet with a Forester
 - 6. Fire Protection- jobs, training, and fire prevention-online link for more information
 - 7. Forest Health- science for the protection of our forest resources for sustainable use, who to call
 - 8. State Foresters- many hardhats: which forester does what, how to get answers for my questions, and kid stuff
 - 9. Upcoming Arbor Day- plant a tree and how to, arborist advice, don't forget the State Fair and trees for the next generation
 - 10. Questions and Follow Up [Palmer Division of Forestry & Fire Protection (907) 761-6300 and finding who is doing what provide name, contact info and area of interest.

The following presentation was presented during the mtg



Overview of the Alaska's 2024 Fire Season



Total Wildfires: 377

Human Caused: 214 Natural Caused: 163



Total Acreage Burned: 667,092

Human Caused: 3,529 Natural Caused: 663,563



Within DOF Jurisdiction

- ~100,242,570 acres statewide
 - Fires: 228
 - · Acres burned: 113,323
 - 119 acres were on private lands
 - Structures threatened in 2024: 50
 - · Structures saved: 45
 - · Structures lost: 5
 - · Firefighters employed by DOF:
 - ~150 (does not include contractors)

 That's a 3:1 ratio for firefighters per structures threatened

How Wildfires Turn Structural



Fires advance by:

Direct flame contact with combustible materials

Radiant heat on nearby combustible materials Wind-borne embers landing on combustible materials



Homes ignite by:

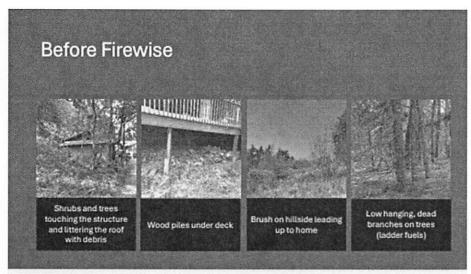
Direct flame contact with combustible materials on the home

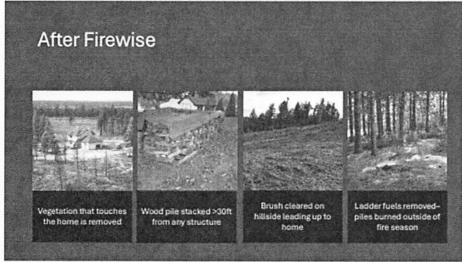
Radiant heat with combustible materials near the home

Wind-borne embers landing on combustible materials on or near the home

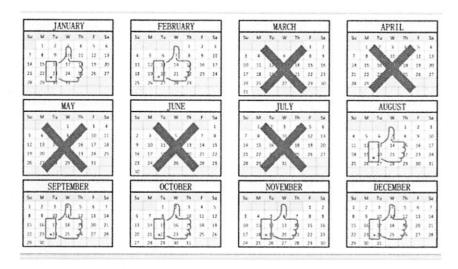


- · You can take pre-fire precautions to increase your home's survival in the event of a wildfire.
- · This also gives our firefighters a better chance of defending your home.





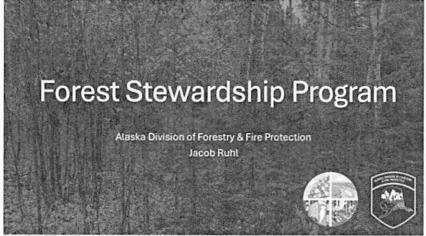






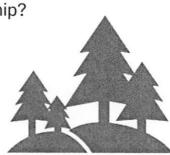
Feeling Overwhelmed?

- Reach out to your local forester for a free, noncommittal Firewise Assessment that is personalized for your home.
- · Site visit:
 - Conducts a fire risk assessment survey on home and adjacent property
 - · Answers any questions or concerns
- · Custom report:
 - Survey with numerical fire rating score
 - Suggested immediate actions and recommendations
 - Any additional details per request



What is Forest Stewardship?

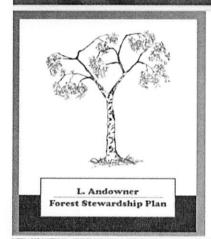
- · Sustainable Forest Management:
 - Maintain and enhance the ecological, economical, and social values of forest resources for future generations.
- Active Forest Management:
 - Intentional and planned practices used to maintain or improve the health, productivity, and biodiversity of a forest to achieve sustainable forest management objectives.



What is The Forest Stewardship Program?

- The Forest Stewardship Program helps forest landowners maintain and improve multiple forest resources and create healthy and resilient landscapes through stewardship (USDA).
- The Forest Stewardship Program focuses on three main areas:
 - Assisting landowners to actively manage their land and related resources
 - Keeping land in a productive and healthy condition for present and future owners
 - Increasing the economic benefits of land (timber harvesting, for example) while conserving the natural environment
 - GOAL: Sustainably manage forests by assisting private landowners in active forest management.

There Berlin Brief



Forest Stewardship Plans

- Allows the landowner to plan forest health and management practices to ensure long-term health of their forested lands in a 10-year timeline.
- Provides detailed information about the resources of the property such as;
 - · Volume and potential value of trees
 - · Wildlife habitat quality
 - · Soil properties
- Helps landowners reduce their risk of wildfire.
- Educates landowners on how to be good stewards of their land.



Common Landowner Goals of a Stewardship Plan

- Wildland fire mitigation (Firewise assessments)
- Woodlot assessment and planning
- Tree planting and care
- Spruce beetle mitigation
- . Enhancing wildlife habitat
- . Long-term forest management

Forest Stewardship Plans in Alaska

- · Plan includes:
 - · Current forest conditions
 - Desired goals and objectives
 - Important resource elements
 - Management recommendations (10-year timeline)
 - · Alternative recommendations
 - Maps and aerial imagery of the property
- All based on your management goals









- . Determine goals and objectives
- Collect forest measurements and relevant data (may require an additional
- available to answer any questions.

to sign the plan stating their intention is to implement management that is consistent with the

plan's recommendations.

Contact Information for Other State Programs

Jason Moan: Forest Health Program

Jason.Moan@alaska.gov 907.269.8460

Josh Hightower: Community Forestry Program

Josh.Hightower@alaska.gov

907.269.8466

Kate Thoden: Resource Forester Mat-Su

K.Thoden@alaska.gov 907.761.6316



H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. 10 \$1,000 CDs maturing on Feb. 7th- as approved at the February meeting, the funds from the CDs that matured were used to purchase a \$10K CD.
- 2. Nominations Group for Board vacant positions Elections will be held in April just before the April 2nd WACO mtg and results announced during the meeting - Candidates:

Vice Chair- Rodney McCambridge & Danielle Barve.

2 At-Large seats- Chandra Kohntopp & Wes McClure.

Treasurer - Joyce Yates.

Bios for the candidates will be published on the WACO website and FB page and posted at the post office.

3. Houston Airport WACO updates - Lawyers said that such an Initiative cannot be on the ballot, Proposal to author a resolution to make our stand official, Brian to author this resolution.

WACO COMMUNITY GROUP/CLUB REPORTS

- F. Fire service area: 23 calls in Feb. Applications for new Fire Board members, new board starts July 1. We have received the firetrucks from the Wasilla FD. In general, it takes 2 yrs to get a firetruck from the time of ordering it.
- G. Library: April 6-12 is National Library week. Plans to show the movie "free for all" in May.
- H. Pickleball: \$573 split with WACO. They have started a beginners' class once a week for an hour.
- I. Mushers Association: Planning a symposium in October.
- J. Willow Trails Committee: There is a new Chair for this committee, Mike Blacksley. Not much snow on the trails right now but there is some in higher elevations.
- K. PTA: no news.
- L. Garden club: there are some programs they are working with, information available on their blog.
- M. WHO/Farmer's market: Seed planting workshop on the 3rd Thur of the month.
- N. Su300 No news

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PERSONS TO BE HEARD

- The Nordic Ski Assn owns a cabin in the Nancy Lake area (appraised at \$145K) and would like to sell it to the Alaska State Parks so the cabin remains in public use.
- Jim Huston: proposal to connect the 225 ft between senior housing to the library. Jim was appointed to lead committee to investigate and plan.
- There is an ordinance up for voting at the Assembly on the 18th. It pertains to increasing the number of board members from 3 to 5 for the district 7 RSA (Road Service Area) Board Willow is part of this district. This will impact the ability to establish Board quorum.
- Representative of the Susitna River coalition brought up proposed changes in Forestry designation in our area.
- Rosalie White and her contribution to Willow were recognized by naming the Community Cetner building in her honor. 24 years after this decision, the sign will be hang soon.
- Providence Mobile mammography will be in Willow April 4 and 5, details at the Sunshine clinic.

Adjourn 8:48 pm

WACO Secretary

Date

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

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10073 West Parks Hwy, Wasilla, AK 99623

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DISTRICT CHIEF

Cindy Michaelson, Chair Randy Newcomb, Vice Chair Cathi Kramer Jedediah Cox Dennis Vau Dell Tawnya Hightower

Minutes

Regular Meeting
Monday, March 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.
Public Safety Building, West Lakes Fire Dept. Station 7-3

I. CALL TO ORDER.

The meeting of the West Lakes Fire Service Area Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:00 pm by Cindy Michaelson on March 10, 2025.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance

III. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Board members establish quorum:

West Lakes Fire Service Area Board of Supervisors

Chair: Cindy Michaelson present, **Vice-Chair:** Randy Newcomb present, **Members:** Jedediah Cox present, Dennis Vau Dell present, Cathi Kramer video call

Present from West Lakes Fire Department

Tawnya Hightower, Chief Mary Hauge, Admin Assistant

Also Present: Ken Barkley, DES Director

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

10073 West Parks Hwy, Wasilla, AK 99623

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Cindy Michaelson moved to approve the agenda

VOTE: No objections to the Motion

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION: Randy Newcomb moved to approve the minutes

Jedediah Cox – 2nd the motion **VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jedediah Cox is stepping down from the BOS the end of July and moving out of state.

VII. CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief's Report - Tawnya Hightower - WLFSA

FEBRUARY-71 Calls

MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE	#INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
Fires	20	28.17%
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	28	39.44%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	4	5.63%
Service Call	1	1.41%
Good Intent Call	10	14.08%
False Alarm & False Call	8	11.27%
TOTAL	71	100%

- YTD calls 184, 20% higher call volume than last year at this time
- Six structure fires, 3 auto aid to Central FSA and 3 WLFD with a fire fatality.
- WLFD paged for a structure fire. AST arrived on scene with fire showing and was unable to make entry due to heavy smoke.
 Visible flames knock down and crews searching until victim was found. It was an unfortunate outcome but excellent response from West Lakes Fire Department.

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TRAINING:

- ETT CLASS
- Auto extrication
- Water Supply & Ladders
- Basic Fire Fighter Class started.

COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION:

- We had a booth at the Iron Dog start and finish as well as covering rescue area and had good interaction with the public.
- All of our all-terrain equipment was at the Iron Dog.
- Department of Forestry and Fire Protection has enacted an early fire season.
- Burn Permits are required March 17^{th.}
- Department of Forestry sets the fire danger level.
- We have three Brush trucks, in the winter they turn into plow trucks with sanders. Two of those are now converted back to Brush trucks with one plow truck in service.
- The position for Community Risk Reduction closes on March 16th.

APPARATUS UPDATES:

- New Pumper Tender 81, we received a couple of pictures with pump enclosure.
- Two Assistant Chiefs and a Mechanic are Flying down on the 24th of March for the 50% completion. They will make sure it is being built to spec.
- Rescue Engine 81 went to Cummins in Anchorage for a head gasket, replacement cost of \$9,700.00.

RESPONDER UPDATE:

- We have four new BFF Responders.
- We have a lot of people who have been here a long time. They need the ability to pivot in dynamic situations. Everything they do electronically is changing for them this year.
- NFIRS (National Fire Incident Reporting System) is changing to NERIS (National Emergency Response Information System)
- Emergency Reporting is changing to Elite Image Trend
- ESO scheduling is changing to Slate Image Trend.
- ESO is changing to Time & Attendance
- Moving from S Drive access to SharePoint

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- Many changes for Responders, different ages, different abilities, everyone is doing a great job we are very proud of them.
- Two Fire Fighters moved, or primary job changed. Optimal to live close to where you respond.
- We have Basic Fire Fighter classes twice a year.
- Classes coming up are Fire Fighter 1 and Hazmat Ops and Awareness class.

VIII. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

 Dennis Vau Dell asked where our curriculum comes from? The curriculum is from Jones and Bartlett, providing a readable high-quality manual. We also use IFSTA.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Director Ken Barkley indicated we do not have any concrete numbers from the Borough yet. As soon as the numbers are in he will get them to Tawnya for distribution.
- Item 391, GFA is Government Funded Assets. If we sell a piece of apparatus or surplus a vehicle we can get income from that
- The sale of Station 79 is going well, there will be two installments. The first installment is in the FY26 budget.

X. ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Jeff Cox 1st motion to adjourn

Randy Newcomb 2nd the motion to adjourn

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm

Cindy Michaelson, Chair, West Lakes FSA B.O.S.

ATTEST:

Mary Havge - Administrative Assistant

Minutes approved on 4-14-25