

Turnagain Arm Community Council

Meeting Minutes for

February 10, 2022

I. 7:07 p.m. Call to Order:
Setting: Indian Valley Bible Chalet

II. 7:08 p.m. New Business – Guest Speakers

A. 7:08 p.m. City Assembly Update

1. Suzanne LaFrance

The next Assembly meeting will be on February 15, 2022.

There will be multiple land use items on the agenda.

There will be a special meeting (Public Safety Committee) on February 18 regarding body camera usage.

The Municipal Elections will be on April 5.

Ballot tracking can be done on AnchorageVote.com or at

(907) 243-VOTE.

Election worker positions are still open-invitation to apply.

Reapportionment: Information can be found at muni.org > assembly. There is going to be a 12th member added to the Assembly to be the second representative for the Downtown district and district boundaries will be discussed. There are currently 4 of the proposed boundary maps that are being considered (6,7,8,&10) in response to the malapportionment resolution passed in November.

Tomorrow is the last day to appeal property assessment valuations.

2. John Weddleton

Property valuations have gone up, but tax burden may go down.

The city property tax cap is \$318 Million.

There is only one year of worth of school bonds this year. Last year a two-year bond was passed.

COVID impacts on the homeless needs in the Spring were discussed.

The Sockeye Inn is being designated for homeless with high medical needs. The Barrett Inn is designated for people with employment but homeless. The Salvation Army will be up and running soon. A new Navigation Center will be located near Tudor and Elmore. It is for all-comers and will accommodate about 200 people. The Brother Francis Shelter was the Navigation Center previously.

Title 21 – Pavement requirements for driveways (AO 2021-89) will be discussed at the regularly scheduled Assembly meeting on Tuesday.

B. 7:32 p.m. Anchorage School District Update

1. Kelly Lessens

There will be a school district survey starting on Valentine's Day.

School calendar planning meetings are open for applications to attend.

ASD Charter School Fair is February 19 from 2:00 – 4:00 pm.

Chaperones for field trips no longer required to be vaccinated.

Applications for new Superintendent deadline is February 21.

There is a tentative labor agreement that still needs union approval.

Budget is down about 3% which is representative of overall enrollment decrease.

Student to teacher ratio is being supported.

She said the district is facing a “fiscal cliff” in 2027.

Next years school budget goes in front of the Assembly in March.

This year's bond proposal before voters is for \$111 Million which equates to \$13 per \$100,000 property valuation. Since 2011, more bond debt has been relieved than has been added.

C. 7:48 p.m. JBER Update

1. Joy Boston

Arctic Thunder is scheduled for this summer.

D. 7:49 p.m. Anchorage Police Department Update

1. TAPSA Ken (APD)

The average hourly rate for police service has been \$72.90.

The following figures are approximations:

2021: \$20,083

2020: \$16,500

2019: \$18,000

2018: \$14,000

E. 7:56 p.m. Candidate for Assembly

1. Randy Sulte

Running for Assembly in District 6. Weddleton is the incumbent.

Homeless are the #1 issue.

F. 8:00 p.m. Alaska State Legislature Update

1. Rep. Kaufman

DOT is going to modify middle of the road rumble-strips to mumble-strips.

A Cost and Reduction Bill passed out of committee.

Capital Project ideas can be sent to Rep. Kaufman at akrepkaufman.com.

III. 8:14 p.m. Old Business

A. 8:14 p.m. Minutes from Last Meeting – Approved

IV. 8:15 TACC Resolutions

A. 8:15 p.m.

1. Resolution to reinstate land use variance to allow for gravel pavement in local driveways. TACC Resolution (2022-01)

For: 14

Against: 1

Abstain: 0

2. Resolution to modify the highway rumble-strips within the neighborhood. TACC Resolution (2022-02)

For: 14

Against: 0

Abstain: 1

8:22 p.m. Next Scheduled Turnagain Arm Community Council Meeting:

- A. May 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Indian Valley Bible Chalet**

VI. 8:25 p.m. Meeting Adjourned