

Officers: Term Expires January
Pres. – Chuck Homan II (2025)
V. Pres. – Cliff Cook (2026)
Sec - Camilla Hussein-Scott (2026)
Treas. – Pauline Tise (2025)



Executive Directors:
Sean Murphy (2025)
Kyle Mielke (2026)
John Rathert (2025)
Terms Expires in January

EAGLE RIVER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

12001 Business Blvd. #170 Eagle River, Alaska 99577

Minutes

March 14, 2024, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

- **Call to Order:** (Quorum 3 Executive Board members)
 - a. Quorum established.
- **Introductions:**
- **Approval of Agenda:** Approved after changes were added.

Changes to the agenda:

- a. Due to time constraints, the agenda was changed to give AFD priority in speaking first.
 - b. Director Tise (Parks and Rec Rep.) moved to table the Long Trail resolution vote and invited the Long Trail C to present because they had an amendment they needed to add.
- **Approval of Minutes:** January and February- Available to review online.
 - **Public Safety Reports: AFD, APD**
 - a. AFD: Attending to answer questions from council members.
 - **Elected Officials Reports:** (None present)
 - Senator Kelly Merrick
 - Representative Jamie Allard • Representative Dan Saddler
 - Assemblyman Scott Myers • Assemblyman Kevin Cross
 - School Board Member Andy Holleman
 - **Special Presentations:**
 - Mirror Lake / Edmonds Lake Park Master Plan project. Huddle – Jeff Urbanus of the CER Parks and Rec Department. **(handouts attached at the end of the minutes)**
 - Roger Marks will speak on ballot measure #9, Chugach State Park access funding.
 - **Committee Reports:**
 - Treasurer Report: Pauline Tise – Still at \$65
 - Parks & Rec: Pauline Tise:
 - FLAMI presented two new candidates –The vote was tabled until both could attend.
 - A resolution was passed to support repairs of the road to the Eagle River Nature Center so many can stay in the community.
 - A motion was passed for a Capital Improvement Project to add drainage at Oberg Fields.
 - AK Long Trail, the group is invited to present to all Community Councils
 - The cemetery bond was discussed, but no decision was made.
 - Director's Report: Seasonal staff, P.T., and F.T. are hired
 - Edmonds Lake Master Plan is coming up.
 - Peters Creeks Dog Park is in the commenting stage
 - The pool repairs are ongoing and reopening
 - Loretta French scoreboards, batting cages, and fence repairs are happening this year.
 - Road Board – Chuck Homan II; Alt John Rathert
 - With two complete and two partial blowouts, \$130 K was complete
 - There was a mil rate discussion for the area, and we voted to raise it to the maximum allowable of 2.1, which would still leave us at an average year of \$100K short.

- The Eklutna representative's addition to the Board was discussed, and the Road Board is looking into the legal criteria set for a voting member.
- Discussion on the E.R. Road rehabilitation: a motion was made to support the planning and to reduce the project with whatever money was available
- Alaska Long Trail was raised.
- Advisory Board – Sean Murphy; Alt. Camilla Hussein-Scott
 - We have not met, and there is nothing on the docket.
 - Three community councils must request a meeting on specific issues for the Board to meet.
- Federation Community Councils; Cliff Cook; Alt. Jamie Lytton
 - <https://communitycouncils.org/servlet/content/1545.html> to find updates.
 - Mayor's report: Letter concerning the Eklutna Dam project
 - Assemblymember Constant presented.
 - Austin Quinn Davidson talked about the Childcare and Early Childhood Fund update.
 - Lisa Demer, Next Step Initiative, for the homeless issue.
 - Long Range Transportation Plan. Take the survey if you have time.
 - Boards and commissions, vacancies available.
 - The next hybrid meeting is on March 20th, 6-8 pm.
- **Community Updates**
 - Eagle River Community Patrol: Cliff Cook/John Rathert
 - 8 hours and 70 miles
 - Since January 1st, 45 crime incidences
 - Weather and cold are keeping crime rates low.
 - Chugiak\Eagle River Library Update :
 - Not present
 - JBER: Joy Boston
 - Even in the number of years, July 20th-21st, the Open House is happening – Thunderbirds will be in town.
 - Pictures of Alaska Native veterans
 - I Sportsmen, a former platform to check in to recreational areas, has changed to Rec. Access the JBER Connect app as well, and enter Rec. Access.
 - Homeless Task Force: Ken McCarty
 - Not present
- **Old Business:**
 - Alaska Long Trail Resolution is for a trail connection to the Chugiak and Eagle River communities.
 - The Park and Rec representative has asked to table the resolution because it is a two-year project, and we would like to hear from the Long Trail representatives to provide more information. **(map at the end of the minutes)**
 - A motion to table this resolution to a later date was passed.
- **New Business:**
 - The ERCC May 9th meeting date has changed. Municipal elections will be in room 170; the new date is May 16.

- Planning & Zoning case 2023-0080 Conditional use & S12738 replat Carol Creek Sub.Tract 1
- Planning & Zoning case 2023-0128 L5 B3 W.G. Pipple Subdivision Major Site Plan review.
 - The last two items are tied together.
 - A public hearing, Planning & Zoning, is scheduled for April 8 at 6:30 pm at the Loussac Library in Anchorage.
 - Carol Creek LLC applied for variance and replat into 115 lots in several phases.
 - A resolution was introduced by the ERCC meeting requiring conditions from the developer.
 - The resolution was approved as written after discussion. 6 yay/1 nay
- **Comments from Eagle River Community Council Membership/Guests** (3 minutes each)
 - a. Disabled Veteran, discussing the lack of walkability and hazards in the walkways in Downtown Eagle River (pictures distributed to attendees). Hazards at bus stops for children, lack of sidewalks, no trashcans. Materials were distributed to attendees, and the community member was encouraged to contact assembly representatives.
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - ERCC Meetings: April 11th, May 16th 6:30 – 8:30 PM
 - CBERRRSA Board of Supervisors monthly meeting: March 25 6, 30 – 8:30 pm.
 - Parks and Rec Board of Supervisors monthly meeting: Every 2nd Monday of the Month, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
- **Adjournment:** 8:20 pm

MIRROR LAKE / EDMONDS LAKE PARK MASTER PLAN

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Mirror Lake / Edmonds Lake Master Plan will be an update to the 1973 Edmonds Lake Master Plan and the new creation of a combined Master Plan for Mirror Lake / Edmonds Lake Park. The new Master Plan will provide a 20-year vision for the future of the park. The plan will identify current and future needs, address issues and concerns, and establish a framework for future management, maintenance, and park development.

To ensure the plan meets the needs and expectations of the community, the Eagle River / Chugiak Parks and Recreation Department will work with stakeholders, community groups, and residents.



SCHEDULE

- Winter 2024** Community Survey + Stakeholder Interviews
- Spring 2024** Public Workshop #1- Visioning **TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024***
- Summer 2024** Draft Preliminary Concepts
- Fall 2024** Public Workshop #2 - Draft Master Plan Review **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2024***
- Spring 2025** Implementation of Master Plan

★ see project website for details

PROJECT WEBSITE:

Find project information, documents, our survey and so much more on our project website:



<https://mirrorlakemasterplan-huddle.hub.arcgis.com/>

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**EAGLE RIVER
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MIRROR LAKE AND EDMONDS LAKE PARK USERS!

A new master plan for Mirror Lake and Edmonds Lake Park is in the works!
This park has not had any comprehensive planning effort since 1973.
Come be a part of the vision for the next 20 years!

JOIN US!
PUBLIC WORKSHOP #1 - VISIONING
Tuesday, April 9, 2024
6:00pm-8:00pm
12001 Business Blvd. #107 Community Room



Eagle River / Chugiak
Parks & Recreation

The first Public Workshop #1 - Visioning is intended to communicate and share project information to learn from the community the renewed **Vision** and **Goals** for Mirror Lake / Edmonds Lake Park.

This is a **workshop-style event, please be on time!**

TAKE OUR SURVEY!
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