

Susitna Community Council Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2010

- I. A **quorum was established**, with Wade Bartel, Robert Coleman, Tami Hamler, Phenie Miller, Bronn Salmon, Terrence Shanigan and Cari Sayre in attendance.
- II. The **meeting was called to order at 7:02.**
- III. The **Pledge of Allegiance** was said.
- IV. Phenie moved and Bronn seconded to **approve the minutes as amended.** Motion passed. The **Treasurer reported** no expenses, so the balance remains the same as Dec.
- V. Bronn moved and Tami seconded to **approve the agenda.** Passed.
- VI. **Presentation on Trails Committees**
Steve Charles, Willow Trails Committee and Bruce Paulsen, MSB
Steve spoke about three trail systems (including 120 miles of trails) in Willow which have been surveyed and dedicated, and which are maintained by the Willow Trails Committee.
Bruce told about the former Y council's trails committee and what they had done. He has all that information on file. Nominations can be made to the MSB annually, first to the Mat-Su Parks & Rec. Advisory Board, then to the Planning Commission, then on to the Borough Assembly. The MSB recreational trails plan is available online.
- VII. **Correspondence**
Received:
 - a. Information about a possible second round of stimulus funds
 - b. Alaska Regional Ports & Facilities Survey
- VIII. **Committee and Governmental Reports**
 - a. Road Service Areas (15 & 29) no report
 - b. Borough Assembly update (October 6 election) – Vern brought a fresh copy of the **STIP** – state highway projects for next 4-5 years. The Nordic portion of **Hatcher Pass Ski area** has gone forward – 1.1-mile road, transit facility, parking lot. Assembly members met with legislators to set legislative priorities for the next session. He spoke about the **gravel ordinance** and the work session planned on Feb 9.
- IX. **Old Business**
 - a. IRS 501(c)(3) Robert has found that we probably are a 501(c)(4), which applies to governmental agencies. He'll do a more detailed report at the next meeting
 - b. Sunshine Creek - Tami sent a complete summary of activity to board members in early December. She recapped some of the plans. Nothing will be happening until May.
 - c. Planning efforts – no meeting was held.
 - d. MSB CIP grant proposals – no news

f. \$20,000 state grant –Wade **moved that the SCC formally investigate the possibility of assisting the residents of the council area that have lost reasonable access to their properties by the removal of the bridge over Goose Creek.** Phenie seconded. Motion passed (as amended)

Tami will continue to try to contact the owner of Cubby's about the possibility of a bike path to connect SVHS with the corner.

Bronn suggested that we ask for more public input on spending this money. He volunteered to contact the papers and the radio station regarding this.

X. New Business

a. NRMU Plan -- Three of the units are within our council boundaries Kashwitna, Sheep Creek, and Rabideux areas. Comments due March 15.

b. Committees – no action

c. MSB Scenic Corridor study – no action

d. Gravel ordinance – look at for next meeting

XI. Board Member Announcements

There will be a SVHS ribbon-cutting ceremony on Monday and also a Sock Hop for the community from 3-8pm Sunday.

XII. Announcements -- Donations are welcome of up to \$50 per calendar year to help defray administrative costs of carrying out council business.

XIII. Adjournment at 9:41

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