

Susitna Community Council Meeting Minutes November 4th, 2010

- I. A **quorum was established**, with Tami Hamler, Phenie Miller, Robert Coleman, Cari Sayre, Scott Holcomb and Bronn Salmon in attendance. Eric Runstrom was seated as an alternate.
- II. The **meeting was called to order at 7:08.**
- III. The **Pledge of Allegiance** was said.
- IV. Tami moved and Scott seconded to **approve the minutes of the October meeting as written.** Passed. The **Treasurer's report** indicated a balance of **\$42.32** in savings and **\$20** in checking.
- V. Scott moved and Tami seconded to **approve the meeting agenda** with the addition of persons to be heard (below). Passed.
- VI. **Persons to be Heard**
 - 1) **Tami Hamler** wrote an email to DOT regarding improvements on Parks Hwy. She wrote as an individual, not a council member, and she read her letter to us. (See attached)
- VII. **Correspondence**

Received:
See Correspondence sheet
- VIII. **Committee and Governmental Reports**
 - a. **Road Service Areas** (15 & 29) – 29 submitted CIP projects – no project is in our community council area.
 - b. **Borough Assembly** update – Vern sent an update, which Robert shared. They're down to 3 candidates for Borough Manager. Final interviews will be in December. Ron Arvin is acting as Mayor until after the election.
 - c. **Bylaws Committee** – no meeting
 - d. **Grant Expenditure Committee** – met Oct. 21. Tami read draft minutes, including projects that have been discussed in the past. (See attached) Project nomination forms are available on the SCC website. Next meeting is Nov. 18 at Sheep Creek Lodge.
 - e. **Election Committee** -- see New Business.
- IX. **Old Business**
 - a. **IRS 501(c)(3)** The filing fee is \$350.00
 - b. **SCC website** – Bronn has made some corrections to the website. He is seeking photos to post. He's missing a few months' minutes. Cari will take care of that. He asked for ideas of other things people would like to see on the website.
 - c. **Records Storage** -- Cari will work out a time to go through the things that were in the filing cabinet from before she became secretary.
 - d. **MSB 10/14 Meeting** – Robert reported on issues discussed, which included teleconferencing of borough meetings at SVHS, more time for public comments on MSB issues, planning, road maintenance funding, the Sunshine Transfer Site (which is currently being used for stockpiling junk cars to use in emergency training), gravel extraction, the SVHS wood boiler, CIP lists, the

Parks Hwy DOT project, Bed Tax grants re-visited, and recycle bins at transfer stations. There will be another meeting in early January.

e. **Sunshine Creek Project** – Tami reported on the finished project, and will have photos to post on the SCC website. She checked with landowners, and found out that they only use that as access to their land after freeze-up. The gate will remain closed and locked except during that time of year. Scott added that Chris Love, from USSWC, has money and youth labor to do some landscaping. He'll come to a meeting to talk with us about needs in our council area.

f. **Cell Tower** – The public hearing is Dec 6 in Palmer. Robert got a verbal agreement that they would move back 180 ft from the Spur Rd and put a flashing red light on top, as per FAA regulations.

g. **MSB NRMU**- no further action needed

h. **SVHS Wood boiler** - no action needed at this time

X. New Business

a. **Montana Creek Road Routing Platting Issue** – A new subdivision is being proposed by MSB, including re-routing Montana Creek Rd. Tami moved to write a letter of no objection, as long as the Old Montana Creek road would be maintained as a public easement. Scott seconded. Passed. Cari will write.

b. **Election results:** Justin Koles – 17, Blaine Humphries – 20, Terrence Shanigan – 24, and several write-ins. For alternates, Panic Holbrook – 23, Eric Runstrom – 24, plus a few write-ins. Election results will be certified at a meeting at Sheep Creek Lodge on Nov 18.

c. **DOT highway projects** – Community and council members voiced concerns about some dangerous corners (Hidden Hills Rd), continued public access to Sheep Creek Spring and the width of the clear-cut. Suggestions included reducing the speed limit, adding turning and/or passing lanes in certain areas, a bike path or widened shoulder, wide clearing only on curves or in areas with frequent accidents, and the possibility for the State to add such “amenities” even if it means doing fewer miles. Action tabled. Robert will request that a DOT representative attend the next SCC meeting to discuss Parks Highway projects.

d. **Twister Creek -- ABC Board** – Twister Creek is asking to license a new site to be used as a production facility, with tasting room and sales of growlers. Phenie moved to write a comment of no objection to the acceptance of the liquor license. Scott seconded. Passed. Phenie will write.

XI. Board Member Announcements – Robert announced the TCCI election results, and their new officers. A Disaster Action team orientation meeting was announced.

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 8:45.

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