

North Lakes Community Council Minutes
Boys and Girls Club Wasilla
General Membership Meeting January 26, 2023

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- I. **Call to Order/Determination of Quorum:** Called to order at 7 pm with 3 telephonic and 5 present.
- II. **Agenda Discussion/Approval:** Motion by L. Calandri to approve as presented, second by A. Sayen, approved unanimously
- III. **Minutes Approval- December 26, 2022:** Motion by L. Calandri to approve as presented, second by P. Purcell, approved unanimously.
- IV. **Correspondence:** Incoming and outgoing was reported by R.Hanson.
- a. Request for comments from the Mat-Su Borough regarding the Bogard/Engstrom intersection-ROW Acquisition. An email was sent to our membership as well as our State Representatives in Juneau. Our NLCC President responded to the Borough letting them know we plan to submit a formal resolution regarding this issue. Representative George Rauscher responded to NLCC with his comments supporting this important road improvement. He is working with DOT Commissioner to discuss concerns and will keep us updated.
- b. December 19th the Borough sent NLCC the January 2023 Vol. IV Planner Platform. This information was immediately emailed to the NLCC membership.
- c. The Mat-Su Borough finalized a letter of Agreement for the radar signs. Information will be detailed later in the meeting.
- V. **Officers/Committee Reports**
- a. President's Report: Nothing new to report.
- b. Treasurer's Report: Presented balance sheet, budget report for 2022 ended up with \$1400 net. Just after the new year, NLCC received CAP funding \$15,789.00. Balance sheet now \$51,000.
- c. **Committees and Special Working Groups**
1. **AMCO Liaison Committee:** P. Purcell reported that AMCO had a meeting Jan 9th and their minutes reflected that they have still not agreed on a tax structure. They will be changing the Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office (AMCO) to Alcohol and Cannabis Control Office (ACCO) and also the Marijuana Control Board (MCB) to the Cannabis Control Board (CCB). They have changed the reference for the word marijuana to the word cannabis because it is a broader reference.
2. **Communications Committee:** R. Hanson reported there are currently 244 contacts on mail chimp and also using face book to notify membership. If anyone has any face book groups to reach out to please notify Rod. Rod will update website with new officer information.
3. **Intergovernmental Liaison Committee:** JL Hamrick not present so no report available
4. **Traffic & Road Safety Committee:** Met Jan. 22 to develop mission & vision. Identified road projects and areas of concern. There are 6 actual projects in process & a number of areas of concern. The committee is working on prioritization & will be meeting with Borough & State representatives to better understand process for advocacy and engagement. The Committee will provide information to the Board and members regularly. The Committee Chair is Chris Schimpke & other members are Rod Hanson, Rachel Greenberg, & Josh Leutzinger. A copy of the Committee report was provided to the Board.
5. **Finance Committee:** Met in Dec. and drafted a budget for 2023. R.L. Sayen, Treasurer presented for approval. T. Bair, President asked to increase website & soc media communications allowing for growth to \$2500. Motion by A. Sayen to approve Budget as amended, seconded by L. Calandri, approved unanimously.
- VI. **Presentations/Speakers**
- Austin Flavin, Code Compliance Officer for MSB reported there are 4 officers in the Borough and a large portion of the areas are in North Lakes Council so that's the reason he wanted to introduce himself as the officer for our area. He wanted to assure us that he is here to insure us of code compliance. Trash dumping or abandoned vehicles are common complaints. Complaints can be handled through the borough website and there is an app. for the phone. You can call 907-861-7822 to report a complaint but its best to file a written complaint.
- VII. **Old Business**
- a. **Radar Traffic Signs Update:** R. Hanson reported that there is now an agreement with the Borough & once agreement is signed they are ready to place radar signs. There are three signs total & they will initially be deployed on Green Forest and Charley Drive. NLCC will be reaching out via email and face book for other locations needing signs. Signs will be placed year round.
- b. "Welcome to North Lakes" Signs status update (L. Calandri/T Bair) There is no update at this time.
- VIII. **New Business**
- a. **Topics identified under "Correspondence" :** Nothing to discuss at this time.

- b. **Membership Strategy/Meeting Frequency:** There was a thought of having quarterly meetings but the Bylaws would need to be changed in several places and we also have committees that need monthly activity. It was agreed to continue meeting monthly. If any By-Law changes are suggested to improve ease of participation, they would be presented at one meeting and voted on at a subsequent meeting. Board members and Committee chairs were requested to review the Bylaws & bring forward any suggestions to the next meeting.

Motion by P. Purcell, seconded by A. Sayen to continue meeting until 8:30 pm, approved unanimously

- c. **Developing 2023 Calendar, Events & Deliverables:** R. Hanson suggested we be more proactive with our planning. Develop a calendar that has the main plans and have it accessible for corrections. Secretary would put together a main calendar that could be easily modified
- d. **Bogard/Angstrom ROW Acquisition Notice-NLCC Resolution 23-001:** R. Hanson moved that the NLCC membership authorize the NLCC Board to formally respond to the subject RFC articulating two positions:
1. Strong support for timely completion of project.
 2. Recommendation to expand the ROW acquisition now as appropriate in anticipation of future improvements on Bogard Road, as long as there is not a negative impact to the currently envisioned project schedule.
- J. Matlock seconded, motion approved unanimously. R. Hanson offered to attend meeting for public comment
- e. **Road & Traffic Safety Committee-Initial Meeting Report:** Previously reported in committee reports.

IX. Audience Participation

A. Sayen reported his knowledge concerning the homeless warming bus handled by the Black Sheep Ministry. The plan is to purchase property at corner of Copper Creek, Bogard & Williaw to place the bus as well as a coffee shop and a Bible book store. There are concerns that Williaw residents have been working to clean up the homeless issue and the plan to shelter homeless would defeat their efforts. Follow up by NLCC was recommended by the President.

Adjournment at 8:12 pm

Approved 2/23/2023

Signed by: _____

President, Theron Bair

2/23/23

Date Signed

Attested by: _____

Secretary, Patricia Purcell

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Date Signed