

North Lakes Community Council Minutes
Boys and Girls Club Wasilla
General Membership Meeting May 25, 2023

- I. **Call to Order/Determination of Quorum:**
 - A. Called to order at 7:02 pm with 0 telephonic members 12 members present
 - B. Pledge of Allegiance led by L. Calandri, Vice President
- II. **Agenda Discussion/Approval:** Brief discussion of proposed agenda:
 1. R. Hanson asked to add Alex Strong, Borough Planning Director to Speakers. R. Sayen-Lambert moved to amend the agenda adding Alex Strong, Borough Planning Director to speakers, seconded by R. Hanson, amended Agenda approved unanimously.
- III. **Minutes Approval- April 27, 2023:** Correction made by R. Hanson under Correspondence regarding The radar signs. Under Correspondence A should state that 2 radar signs on Green Forest Dr. and 1 radar sign on Charlie Drive. Motion by A. Sayen to approve minutes as amended correcting the number of radar signs, second-by R. Hanson, approved unanimously.
- IV. **Correspondence Incoming and Outgoing:**
 - A. Incoming: Reported by R. Sayen-Lambert an incoming email from Abigail R. Vanwormer of the Ak Dept. of Health notifying NLCC of a funding opportunity of a Rural CAP grant of \$5,000 up to \$250,000. The grant is to improve access to conditions and resources that promote health and support goals of Alaska Healthy and Equitable Communities Strategic Plan. Access is open May 1st and closes June 15th and funds awarded must be spent by May 31, 2024. R. Sayen-Lambert is going to check to see if we qualify for the grant or what qualifications are in case we know other non-profits that might benefit. R. Hanson reported that in the PO box we received from the Borough information about a utility easement in the area of the gate at Cottonwood Lake to bring power to that gate. It was sent to land owners so he didn't feel NLCC needed to do anything. R. Hanson notified everyone that Pat Purcell, Secretary will be out of town til mid July and she gave him the key for PO Box to be able to gather mail in her absence.
 - B. Outgoing: R. Hanson reported that Meeting notices went out via email as well as our grant information and posted on our Facebook and 5 other neighborhood facebook sites. Deadline for applications is end of June. He notified previous grantees about the availability. Finance Committee will be meeting to discuss applications.
 - C. Any other Correspondence: R. Hanson will be sending out other correspondence.
 - D. Discussion of topics for correspondence to be added to New Business: None
 - E. Brief Comments & Questions regarding correspondence: None
- V. **Officers/Committee Reports**
 - A. President's Report: T. Bair absent so no report.
 - B. Treasurer's Report: R. Sayen-Lambert reported budget copies and finance reports were distributed. The amount of grant money available is \$10,000. Non-Profit tax report submitted by due date of May 15th. She contacted the Borough regarding notice of additional CAP funds of \$15,000 and she submitted forms to obtain the additional funding for 2023. We could get more grant funding and will know more by August meeting.
 - C. Committees and Special Working Groups
 1. AMCO Liaison Committee: P. Purcell absent so no report.
 2. Communications Committee: R. Hanson reported info under Correspondence. He also mentioned we have no meeting in July so we need to decide about cleanup or picnic so information can be sent to membership.
 3. Intergovernmental Liaison Committee: no report
 4. Traffic & Road Safety Committee: R. Hanson reported that there are 2 issues being looked at.

One is the gravel ordinance and NLCC took a position of opposing the new ordinance. He is attending Assembly meetings and is staying engaged for NLCC to get our concerns heard. Second issue is continuing to work with the Borough to get the traffic radar signs distributed. Rod would like to write letters to Borough Assembly Members regarding our frustration with delays in putting the radar signs to use. No opposition to this idea so letters will be sent. Also NLCC needs to consider other future radar sign locations.

- 5. Finance Committee: R. Sayen-Lambert reported they will be meeting in July to review grant applications and bring recommendations to the August meeting. They will meet in November to discuss the budget for 2024 to present in December.

D. Comments and questions regarding reports: none

VI. Presentations/Speakers

- A. Alex Strong, Borough Planning Director. He expressed his appreciation of our efforts for the Community. He let us know he is available to discuss our concerns regarding the Gravel ordinance. He explained some details regarding this ordinance. Next Assembly meeting is June 6th and we can still speak at audience participation. He presented information regarding water setback ordinance. He said there are about 750 homes built illegally near lakes. The water setback ordinance is to protect water quality. We need to watch for upcoming Borough meetings to comment.

** Motion by L. Calandri to continue meeting to 8:30 pm, seconded by A. Sayen, approved unanimously.

- B. Senator David Wilson presented information regarding various DOT roundabout projects. He also informed that funding is in for Arctic Winter Games.

VII. Old Business

- A. "Welcome to North Lakes" Signs status update: L. Calandri is still working on.
- B. Membership Strategy/Bylaw Revisions: Tabled and should be discussed in August meeting.
- C. Grant Program 2023 Schedule and Criteria details in Treasurer Report.
- D. Arctic Winter Games 2024-NLCC Involvement: No report
- E. Black Sheep Ministry/Williwaw/homelessness issues: A. Sayen reported there is no improvement. The bus & homeless persons are still on site even though it is supposed to be a winter shelter.

VIII. New Business

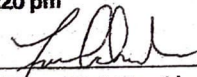
- A. Topics identified under "Correspondence": Picnic discussed and R. Hanson will send out email asking for volunteers. He suggested location at Alcantra Park which has a playground space and BBQ area. He will secure location and Proposed Date of July 29th. Borough allows us one mail out and R. Hanson suggested we send out an invite to the picnic.

IX. Audience Participation

A Lady (name not clear on recording) explained she is involved in a marijuana operation that will be relocating from KGB to NLCC area. She could attend another meeting after we get our AMCO notice of the operation to provide more information.

Motion by R. Sayen-Lambert to adjourn, seconded by A. Sayen, Approved unanimously and meeting
Adjournment at 8:20 pm

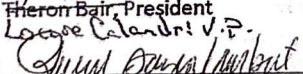
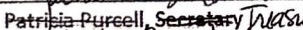
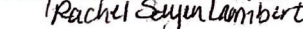
Signed by:


Heron Bair, President

6-22-23

Date Signed

Attested by:


Louise Calandri, V.P.

Patricia Purcell, Secretary

Rachel Sayen Lambert, Treasurer

6-22-23

Date Signed