

**NORTH LAKES COMMUNITY COUNCIL
SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE & ACTIVITY SINCE LAST MEETING ...**

October 24, 2024

CORRESPONDENCE & ACTIVITIES

- 9/26/24 Incoming: Meeting Packet for the October 7th Planning Commission Meeting. Same info is available online at the MSB website.
- 9/28/24 Outgoing: Response to 9/25 email from Amy Bushatz with the Mat-Su Sentinel online news organization. We described the process by which we were going to gather input and formulate a response to the Borough on the proposed Central Gravel Products Conditional Use Permit.
- 9/30/24 Incoming: Corp of Engineers notice for public comment regarding a planned wastewater treatment system south of Wasilla. Outside the NLCC boundaries. No response or action taken.
- 10/1/24 Incoming: Heads up from Glacier View Community Council regarding upcoming road work along the Glenn Highway. Information is being shared on other community Facebook pages, so we didn't take any additional action.
- 10/2/24 Incoming: Notice from the Safe Streets for All team about their online virtual workshop going live. This information is being shared on a number of other community Facebook sites and emails, so we didn't take additional action.
- 10/3/24 Incoming: Corp of Engineers notice for public comment regarding bank stabilization work near Portage on the Turnagain Arm. Outside the NLCC boundaries. No response or action taken.
- 10/5/24 Incoming: Glacier View Community Council sent us a copy of their resolution objecting to a land use permit for a communications array by Los Alamos Laboratory near Tahnetta Pass. Not within our boundaries. No action taken.
- 10/6/24 Incoming: From the Lohmann-Olson family regarding the Bogard Corridor Access Management Plan and their desire to see the Borough select the South alternative for the Engstrom to Trunk Road. They object to the North alternative which would cut through their property.

- 10/7/24 Planning Commission Meeting. NLCC spoke up during audience participation to urge the Planning Commission to not act on the one proposed resolution on Mobile Home Parks that they introduced at this meeting. We encouraged a more coordinated approach that considered different and related referrals from Assembly Member Nowers and Assembly Member Hale before they take up the issue. The Public hearing is now scheduled for October 21st.
- 10/8/24 Joint Planning Commission / Borough Assembly Meeting. NLCC was unable to attend the meeting, but Rod Hanson did watch an on-line audio / video recording. This meeting was a presentation of the Bogard Corridor Access Management Plan (CAMP); the latest information of the Safe Streets for All planning effort; and a review of the TIP (transportation infrastructure projects). Very informative. The MSB appears prepared to start making some tough decisions to align with plans for Bogard Road improvements.
- 10/8/24 NLCC Bylaws Committee Meeting. Committee met to review and endorse proposed changes to the Bylaws. Changes will eliminate dues; clarify acceptable job titles for Board members; and define how members are approved and an annual process to continue as members. Changes will be sent out to all members and will be voted on at the November meeting.
- 10/10/24 Incoming: Through our representative on the RSA25, a reminder about the November 6th Open House scheduled for the Bogard Corridor Access Management Plan (CAMP). We will be sending out reminders on this closer to the date of the open house.
- 10/14/24 Incoming: MSB provided meeting packet for 10/21/24 Planning Commission Meeting. Same info is available online at the MSB website.
- 10/14/24 Outgoing: Information about the Central Gravel Products application for a Conditional Use Permit was sent out to our members and residents requesting review and to provide any feedback. Sent out via Mailchimp to subscriber list. Also posted on our website; Facebook Page; and Facebook Pages for Shaws Tri Lakes, Shorewood, Hart Lake, Wolf Lake, Palmer & Wasilla Fishhook, Williwaw, and Cottonwood neighborhoods.
- 10/15/24 Outgoing: Forwarded our Mailchimp communications (same information) to Central Gravel Products to keep them in the loop.
- 10/15/24 Outgoing: Forwarded our Mailchimp communications regarding the Central Gravel Products CUP to Mayor DeVreis, MSB Planning Director, MSB Manager, MSB Public Works Director, and to Alaska DOT as a heads up on the forthcoming resolution.

- 10/15/24 Outgoing: Same information forwarded to Amy Bushatz with the Mat-Su Sentinel.
- 10/16/24 Incoming: Meeting packet for Local Road Service Area Advisory Board (LRSAB) meeting on 10/17/24. Will rely on our representative in RSA25 to report on progress or issues.
- 10/24/24 Outgoing: Annual Membership Meeting Notice / Agenda & Meeting Packet / Draft Resolution on Central Gravel Products - distributed to our email subscribers and posted on neighborhood Facebook pages.

ONGOING COORDINATION

- Various Dates: Coordination amongst the Nominations Committee in preparation for the upcoming Board seats election in October. The NLCC is accepting nominations for two Board seats this evening. Pat Purcell is currently the Board Secretary and will not be running for an additional term. Rachel Greenberg is currently the Board Vice Chair. Her position is up for election this year. She has accepted a nomination. In addition to Rachel, two other members have accepted nominations; Colleen Vague and Nichole Smith. Other nominations may come from the floor during tonight's meeting. An election will be conducted to select members to fill the two positions. The Board Members (new and continuing) will then conduct a quick Executive Session to determine who will fill each of the various Board Roles (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Director at Large).
 - No activity this past month: Coordination with Northwest Barriers (Contractor), the State of Alaska, and the MatSu Borough on our project to install Welcome to North Lakes signs around the community. It is apparent that this work will need to be accomplished in 2025. The most recent update is that the DOT won't enter into agreement with the NLCC for installation of signs in DOT road ROW. They require an agreement with the Mat Su Borough. NLCC will continue to coordinate with both the Borough and the State to advance this project. Permitting hurdles did not allow for 2024 installation.
 - Various Dates: Continued regular reporting from John Klapperich on the results of the digital ad marketing outreach to raise awareness in our community of the existence of the NLCC and the issues we are working on behalf of the broader community.
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