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

May 29, 2025

Note: The purpose of this document is to assure transparency to our membership. This report is published and distributed as part of the Monthly meeting packet and posted on our website each month. Items are listed in reverse chronological order.

- 5/27/25 Coordination: NLCC President invited to attend the Fishhook Community Council meeting on Jun 2, 2025 to brief them on our strategy for the <u>Wolf Lake</u> <u>Community Park</u>.
- 2. 5/27/25 Incoming: <u>US Army Corp of Engineers</u> provided notice seeking comment on a project for a boat dock planned at Big Lake. Not in our council area. No action taken.
- 3. 5/23 5/27/25: Continued refinement of the draft NLCC resolution relating to the <u>Shaw Elementary Access project</u> and our objection to the Foxtrot connection. This will be reviewed for approval at the May NLCC meeting.
- 4. 5/23 5/27/25 Coordination: <u>The Wolf Lake Community Park</u> team continues to coordinate and gather information about the proposed land sale by the state. We are preparing for a presentation to the MSB Parks, Recreation & Trails Advisory Board at their next meeting on June 26, 2025.
- 5. 5/23/25 Incoming: Franklin Conaway (NLCC Board member) received questions from a resident in the Shorewood neighborhood about ongoing activity at the <u>Central Gravel Products</u> site. Franklin contacted Central Gravel owners and they provided excellent information. Central Gravel will attend our May NLCC meeting to answer questions.
- 6. 5/22/25 Coordination: Welcome to North Lakes Sign Project. We provided feedback to the MSB on the slow nature of feedback and getting information on the permitting process. The MSB has committed now to more timely updates. It appears we will not have permits in hand for the June 1st start date for sign installations. The MSB also informed us that the DOT now wants us to work directly with them for application of permits for our signs. This is contrary to earlier guidance we had from the DOT. We will be reaching out directly for permitting with the State of Alaska DOT.
- 7. 5/21/25 Outgoing: Update on the <u>Shaw Elementary School Access / Foxtrot Project</u>. Sent an update (<u>click here</u>) to our Mailchimp subscribers and also posted on neighborhood Facebook pages. Update included copy of NLCC testimony delivered in front of the MSB Assembly on 5/20/25.

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- 8. 5/20/25 Meeting: MSB Assembly Meeting. Provided testimony (<u>click here</u>) on the <u>Shaw Elementary School Access project</u>. Support for elements of the project, but not for the connection to Foxtrot.
- 9. 5/19/25 Incoming: Update on <u>Bogard Paving project</u> (<u>click here</u>). No new information, so did not forward to Mailchimp subscribers.
- 10. 5/19/25 Meeting: MSB Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. Randy Hillman spoke with the Board about the concept of a community park to be located at the location of the State DNR property at the Southeast end of Wolf Lake. They agreed to add this topic to their agenda for their June 23, 2025 meeting.
- 11. 5/7/25 Outgoing: Email notifications were sent to unsuccessful 2025 Grant applicants.
- 12. 5/7/25 Outgoing: Congratulatory call and letter sent to <u>2025 Grant Award recipient</u>, Wasilla Seniors, Inc. \$5,000 in support of the nutrition (meals) program.
- 13. 5/5/25 Incoming: MSB provided notice of a proposed Bear Street Agape subdivision (click here). The change was simply to consolidate 4 adjacent lots off of Bear Street that are owned by the same entity and remove an easement for a cul-de-sac and screening easement. The resulting lot is just over 4 acres. This was not seen as a significant community wide issue. Surrounding properties were notified by the MSB and will have an opportunity to provide input. No further action taken.
- 14. 5/5/25 Incoming: MSB reminder of the opportunity for Community Councils to nominate projects for the <u>Capital Improvement Program</u> (<u>click here</u>). The NLCC will be discussing this process and potential for use in the Wolf Lake Park initiative at our May meeting.
- 15. 4/30/25 Outgoing: <u>Bogard Pavement Preservation Project</u>. Sent information (<u>click here</u>) to Mailchimp subscribers and posted on neighborhood Facebook groups.
- 16. 4/30/25 Outgoing: <u>NLCC Early Engagement Bogard Corridor Projects</u>. We sent an email (<u>click here</u>) to Mat Su Borough Assembly and Administration leaders with copies of the letter exchange we had with the State of Alaska DOT encouraging earlier outreach and involvement of the NLCC in road projects in our area. We are encouraging the same protocol with the MSB.
- 17. 4/29/25 Incoming: Received a very positive letter (<u>click here</u>) from the Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities thanking us for our March 20, 2025 comments (<u>click here</u>) on the <u>Bogard Road projects</u> and supporting the concepts of early engagement in the planning process. We replied to the Commissioner by email (<u>click here</u>).

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