

HOLLIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL, Inc. MEETING

Minutes

Proper notice of the meeting date/time was given per the Hollis Community Council, Inc. By-laws

TUESDAY, September 12th 2023

7-9PM

Firehall HOLLIS, ALASKA

Board Members Present: Ron Curtis, Sandra Nessett, Thomas Harden, Dominic Hoy, Dan Sharp

Absent Board Members: Arthur Martin, Tommy Lynch

Council Members/visitors Present: Paul Randall, Jessica Hughes, Lewis Hiatt, John Ryan, John Sund, Scot Martin, Kevin Sund, Dinah Reeves, Pam Gerlach, April Hoy

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: Tom at 7:01pm

A. Approval of Minutes

Minutes for August 8th, 2023

Motion to approve: Sandra - Second: Dan

Discussion: None

Vote: 7 - Yes 0 - No 5 - Abstained

B. Reading of Correspondence-

1. Physical Address Lynn Burnett: see below. Needs a physical address for her business.
2. Alaska Birding Trail: Paul and John said they could be contacted for more information

C. Community Announcements-

Packet of information on second class city:

<https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/dcra/LocalBoundaryCommission/CurrentandPastPetitions/2016IncorporationPetitionforaSecondClassCityofWhalePass.aspx>

<https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/dcra/LocalBoundaryCommission/CurrentandPastPetitions/2013EdnaBayIncorporationPetition.aspx>

https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/Portals/4/pub/LBC/10_31_17%20Final%20City%20incorporation%20Information%20Packet.pdf

- D. Committees/Department Reports:** (Please have reports either typed or hand written and presented to the secretary after the report is given so they may be included in the record). Per the implementation of the new By-Laws, reports will be given by the Standing Committees in addition to the following:

Committees: If an individual is interested in serving on a standing committee, please submit your name to any board member or the committee chair.

1) Finance Committee:

- a) Checking account balance:
- b) Other Finance Business. Dominic is still working with the Bank. Debit cards work and new debit card is 10 days out.

2) Annual Fire Department Fundraiser:

Chair- Sandy Curtis, Committee Members- **Membership is open to any interested individual on the Council**

Paul reported over \$13,000 gross fundraised. Good event and thank you to the people of the Island and especially Hollis for their generosity.

3) Hollis Library

Chair - Sandy Curtis Tom reported that the library will soon be moving into the school

4) Hollis School

Chair – Lisa Cates. Not present

5) Fourth of July Celebration:

Chair - Ron Curtis, Committee Members – Steve Gass, Ezra Clark, Colleen Watson,

No Report

6) Thanksgiving Celebration:

Chair – Sandy Curtis

Volunteers needed if anyone is interested in putting on the event.

7) Cemetery Committee:

Chair- Sandra Nessett, Committee Members-, Brian Hallstrom, Jim Wills, Tom Harden, Gary Holt

- a) In need of a new member please contact Tom or Sandra if you are interested. Sandra reported there was a request for more information material to be buried there.

Appointed Committee(s):

1. Harbor Committee: Ron reported no meeting, Lewis Hiatt had gathered some information but not ready to report

Work Groups: None at this time

Department Reports:

EMS: Sandy Curtis

- a) Vehicles:
- b) Emergency Calls since last meeting: 0
- c) EMS Training (Third Tuesday, Monthly):

Fire Department: Paul Randall

- a) Vehicles:
- b) Emergency Calls since last meeting. 0
- c) Fire Training (Third Tuesday, Monthly):

POW Group Membership Reports

- 1) POWCAC – Ron. No meeting, next is scheduled for first week of November
- 2) East POW Advisory Board – John. POW wolves are not endangered, still no action on King Salmon Fishery close down.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

- 1. SAMS/DUNS. None
- 2. POW Community Wide Strategic Planning Meeting: Tom nor Sandra attended the latest meeting.
- 3. Better Communications: Jessica reported website is down. Needs renewal of \$150. Jessica said after working with Sandy she is happy with the new platform as it is intuitive.
- 4. Second Class City discussion

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Certification of Voter List for Election: Danny will not run again. Arthur is re-running for his seat. There is one seat open. **By bylaw if you are interested you have until the 19th to inform a board of director or Arthur.** By a vote of 13 Yes 0 No and 2 Abstain a motion passed to certify the Voter List for Elections.
- 2. HCC Elections Notice a motion to certify the Elections notice passed by a vote of 14 Yes 0 No and 1 Abstain.
- 3. Canoe Pass Road: Scot asked if he did work on Canoe Pass road if the community would cover the costs of rock. Tom stated if we do one road we will need to do them all and we cant afford it. Tom asked Scot to put together a request with a quote.

Motion to adjourn: Jessica
Meeting adjourned: 7:40pm

The next council meeting will be on October 10th, 2023, FIRE HALL 7-9PM. (Location may be subject to change)

Current board members: Ron Curtis, Tom Harden, Arthur Martin, Sandra Nessette, Dan Sharp, Dominic Hoy, Tommy Lynch

Correspondence

Good morning,

I need help securing a traditional address for our home here in Hollis. We have been struggling with several organizations because we do not have a traditional physical address.

I have talked to Craig, Klawock, and Ketchikan and they all agree that it is in the Hollis Community Council's jurisdiction to help secure or provide real addresses for our area.

Please assist me in this matter as soon as possible? I cannot pursue government cleaning contracts (or move forward with important pending personal matters) until I get this sorted out.

Thanks!

Lauren Cusimano

Email:

lauren.cusimano@audubon.org

Subject:

Information on Birding in Hollis for Audubon Alaska

Message:

Hello, I'm Lauren Cusimano, the Communications Manager for Audubon Alaska. Here at the Alaska state office of the National Audubon Society, we are working to update the Southeast Alaska Birding Trail. Hollis is one of the communities featured on the trail, and I am working to identify and include birding sites in the area. So far, I have Harris River Interpretive Area and Harris River Access Trail, the Twenty Mile Spur Trail, and possibly the Maybeso Creek Delta. Would you be able to recommend someone I could speak to about birding sites the Hollis area? We are looking for information like species, trail information, directions to the trailhead, etc. Any guidance would be appreciated. Thank you so much for your help. Lauren Cusimano Communications Manager 907-433-5300 ak.audubon.org