

**South Knik River Community Council
Regular Meeting Minutes, Thursday, 15 Feb 2024**

Location: SKRCC Building
17958 E Knik River Rd
Palmer, AK 99645

1. SKRCC Director, Wayne Martin, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Quorum reached with 5 board members and 13 others present of whom at least 7 were residents.
3. Agenda approved with the addition of Marietta Plummer under announcements
4. 16 Nov 2023 meeting minutes approved.
5. Reports:
 - a. Legislative report: Legislature is in session. Sen Hughes has coffee chats set for 24 Feb, 25 Mar, and 27 April
 - b. Assembly Report: No report
 - c. Secretary Report: Utility bills, plowing, kitchen supplies/refreshments paid
 - d. Treasurer Report:
 - i. IRS filing 990-N online completed
 - ii. Balances for savings account and CAP funds provided
 - iii. 2023 audit of expenses complete. Expenses match Quick Books spreadsheet. Expense sheets/invoices/receipts for 2023 made available at meeting for review.
 - e. Emergency Storage/Equip committee met and is exploring options.
6. New Business:
 - a. CAP 2024 approved, but not distributed yet. CAP 2025 application submitted.

b. Platting Notification of Public Hearing on 21 Feb 2024 changing 5 lots into 2 lots to be known as McCarson Subdivision, on S River Rd.

c. Alex Strawn, MSB Planning Director confirmed the MSB wants a formal Resolution of our decision last fall to proceed with a Special Use District (SpUD). Resolution 1-2024 was presented. Paul Houser motioned (M-2024-01) to adopt Resolution 1-2024, seconded by Diane Phillips. Bob Hicks secondarily motioned (M-2024-02) to wait until next month to vote, seconded by Barney Eberhardt. Motion M-2024-02 to delay vote for one month on adopting Resolution 1-2024 was NOT approved with a vote of 2 in favor and 13 opposed. Motion M-2024-01 to adopt Resolution 1-2024 was approved with 12 in favor, 2 opposed, and one abstained.

d. Our building, pavilion, and grounds are reserved for 25 May 2024 for a wedding with access the day before to set up and decorate. Wayne requested a volunteer to look into rules about non-profits earning \$ to cover cost of annual operating expenses and what would be the liability issue if the place were rented. No one volunteered.

e. Alaska Long Trail Project, a 500+ mile trail between Seward and Fairbanks is slated to go through our area. Sam Dinges, MSB Project Manager, will attend March meeting and let us know the details of how we can help and participate.

f. MEA requested a letter of support from our council. Wayne signed a letter of support on behalf of the SKRCC after unanimous approval to support MEA seeking a grant specific to sub-station Lucas which supports our area and adjoining communities.

7. Announcements:

a. Kathleen Shoop confirmed the Chutes and Ladders fund raiser would be the second Saturday in April at Wasilla High School.

b. Dennis Sayer, Vice President of the community council, stepped down from his position.

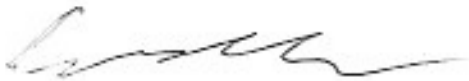
c. Mark Simpson queried about the development at Keats Lake. A local businessman told him millions of dollars were going to be dumped in to that area for development. Mark said flying over the the area at the end of the summer he could see where development had already begun as there was a huge road put in and he wanted to know what was happening. Mike Neely, GM for Alpha Aviation who flies out of the Alaska Glacier Lodge, clarified that Mark's statements were not accurate. Mike stated there were zero plans, no bids, or proposals going on there and the area is not being developed; it is privately owned and there is no road, it is just an ATV trail for the private property owners.

d. Spring Clean up will be 17-19 May 2024.

e. Volunteer appreciation to Bob Hicks for clearing the parking area and Paul Houser for chipping away at the ice and freeing the sign for tonight's meeting.

8. Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Approved.



Craig Price
SKRCC President

3/21/24

Date

Attest.



Anne Houseal
SKRCC Secretary

21 Mar '24

Date