

Meeting Minutes March 13, 2024

Meadow Lakes Community Council Inc.

Minutes of March 13, 2024

❖ 3 Officers required for quorum: TOTAL = YES ❖

Pres: Camden Yehle Y; Vice Pres: Steve Edwards
Y; Treasurer: Trish Jacob Y; Sec: Patricia Fisher
Y; Council Coordinator: Tim Swezey Y

❖ 13 Members of the Meadow Lakes Community required for quorum: YES ❖

Meeting Quorum = Yes

**Meeting conducted at the on Zoom and in Person at Meadow Lake Seniors
Recorded live and posted on Facebook after the meeting**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by President Camden Yehle.

Pledge of Allegiance: Recited.

Determination of a Quorum: President Yehle announced that a quorum was achieved.

Board Reports:

Gaming: Ariel Cannon reported the gaming event in February sold over \$500 in Split the Pot tickets. The next event is March 22nd at the Palmer Train Depot. A separate gaming activity under discussion is a possible contract with Floaters in Big Lake for a Pull Tab concession. We have also received a request to sell tickets this summer at Mat-Su Soft Ball Association games.

Secretary: Patti Fisher reported that the Mat-Su Assembly passed a resolution to support a coal powered plant in the Valley. The Resolution also included support for the West Susitna Access Road.

Announcement: Kelcey Allrich of the Susitna River Coalition made an announcement endorsing Hendrick Wessel of Talkeetna for the Matanuska Electric Association Board. There was a discussion of the ways to vote in the election.

Presentation: Meadow Lakes Park Projects 2024. Ariel Cannon, President of Meadow Lakes Community Development, gave a presentation of the various activities underway in the Park: Orchard, Trail System, Lighting to the parking lot, Upgrade of the storage shed, Field surface upgrade.

Treasurer's Report: Patti Fisher presented the Treasurer's Report for February.

Business:

ByLaws Vote: Camden presented the bylaw changes. The changes had been discussed at the February meeting, and were emailed to members after the meeting. One comment, regarding "delayed votes", was received after the bylaws were emailed out. The issue was discussed. Ariel Cannon made a motion to accept the bylaw changes without amendment. A second was made by Steve Edwards. There was no objection to the motion, the motion passed, the bylaw changes were approved.

Appointment of a Nomination Committee: President Yehle asked for volunteered to serve on the nominations committee. The following members volunteered and were appointed: Ariel Cannon, Camden Yehle, and Patti Fisher.

Road Service Report: Steve Edwards reported on the issue of road contract changes. A major change is the cost of clearing the entrance to driveways. The contract as bid by Northern Asphalt has a cost for No Berms. The options available are: No berm (cost, as in the contract is approximately \$126 per year), a 12-inch berm (cost \$95 per year, a \$30 savings), or an unlimited berm left at the discretion of the contractor (a

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savings of \$126) . There are approximately 3300 driveways in the district. Whatever the choice that is made it is for the entire district, not individual driveways.
Steve asked for an advisory vote on the height of the snow berm to be left at the entrance to driveways. The informal poll by members in attendance recommended a berm height of 12 inches.

Correspondence: The correspondence was presented. No action was taken.

Agency Reports

Senator David Wilson: the Senator gave an update on activities at the legislature. They are working on getting the Community Assistance funds approved. The request for federal STIP funds, which was previously denied, was resubmitted and approval is expected. The Senator commented on the Assembly Resolution regarding Coal. He said that the State had no money to fund a coal plant. The focus now is on LNG, and then on renewables. Coal is pretty low on the list. The clean coal technology is still in the "promising" category.

West Lakes Fire: Kirk Gibbs, Assistant Chief. Gibbs gave an update on activities in the fire district. They are in the planning process for the Wildlife Preparedness Day at Station 73, May 4th. West Lake will install smoke/CO2 alarms, and he asked that resident call with requests for the monitors.

Camden reported that we heard from the Army Corp of Engineers that they have made no decision on the Island Lake Float Plane project.

Persons to be Heard:

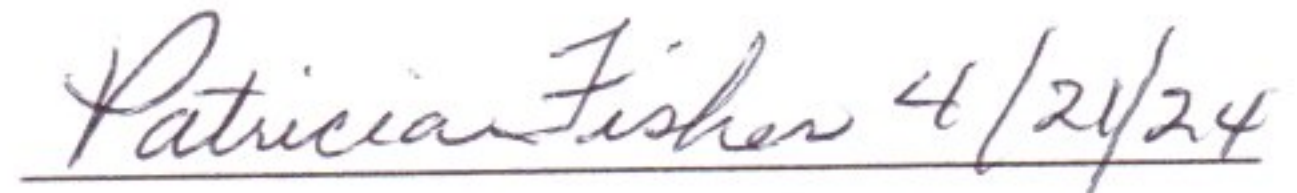
Barant Strandburg, advised the group about a mining fund that is available.
Camden showed pictures on the helical piles being installed at the bridge sites in the new trail area.

Next Council Meeting: Wednesday, April 10th at 7 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 pm.

 4/19/24

Camden Yehle, President Date

 4/21/24

Patricia Fisher, Secretary Date