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Big Lake Lions Rec Center

General Membership Meeting
September 13, 2016
Minutes

1. Call to order/Determination of Quorum

Meeting called to order at 7p. All board members in attendance.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of the Agenda

Sandy made motion to approve the agenda. Cathy Seconded. Agenda approved unanimously.

4. Approval the minutes

Yvonne made a motion to approve 8/9/16 minutes, Sandy seconded no opposition. Minutes approved unanimously.

5. Speaker

Jacque Boutet- Has an Anchorage based company with a Wasilla office. Worked on South Big Lake Road and the round about. Looking forward to ribbon cutting tomorrow. Would like to talk to upcoming election asking members to please vote next month. Prop B4 asking the voters to authorize \$22.1 million general obligation bonds to fund 19 projects. Jacque brought hand outs, with maps and project title and budget for the projects if prop B4 is approved. The projects were identified through public process. Oil revenue and state grants are gone, without taxpayers these projects can't move forward. The \$22.1million bond proposition will affect a typical borough property owner is less than \$4 a month (based on a \$220,000 home) and will be able to subsidize the 19 projects, asking support of Prop B4. The bond will be paid off in 10 years.

6. Persons to be Heard 3min max

Sammy Taylor: Health fair this Saturday 8-12 at the Houston Senior Center. Personal health, flu shots, etc. Mid valley recycle is volunteer, needing new people. Need young people and education projects.

Susie Longacre: served on the nominating committee and wants to make a point of what sort of board members are needed for the Big Lake Community Council 1. Needs to be transparent 2. Need to be informed 3. Website must be maintained and current 4. minutes need to posted within a couple weeks 4. Information needs to be shared 5. Honesty to the members

Robert Button: Is trying to open 907 Club. He currently owns Big lake Super Store and Kink Super Store. Last year he applied for conditional use permit for liquor license and was not aware of the process. He apologized for not going to the Big Lake Community Council meetings before. He has re applied to have a restaurant and bar. It would be a full service restaurant the hours of op 6a-mid night every day. Great menu and food. Bar will stay open until 2am if customers are there and business permits. He has spent \$95,000 on noise control in the building and building a berm around the outside to reduce noise also to Rocky Lake. There will not be ATV or foot traffic from Rocky Lake. Currently has 2 package licenses one he has held for 5 years and the other for 9 years and have been operating successfully. He is open to and questions.

Jenna Lundy-Comer: Jenna works for Mark to make sure the paperwork goes through smoothly. Brought a menu and the site plan.

John Rush: Believes 907 Club will negative impact the state park, there is no alcohol allowed on campground. Parking lot run off could impact lake water. His biggest worry is the bike path with the roundabout with no local police. Belives it is insane to allow this because alcohol leads to crime. Doesn't want these problems so someone can make a buck.

Butch Moore- Concerned about the bylaws and the change of the annual meeting because it wasn't on the website. He talked to Debra Wethorn from the Mat Su Borough and asked for communication regarding this and she was shocked, she had no idea of changes.

7. Treasurer's report

\$16,354.86 in the checking account and \$255.95 in the savings account

8. Membership report:

121 members

9. Reports

Fire Service: John Fairchild coming up on winter. Please check smoke detectors and co detectors and change batteries. Inspect chimneys. They will put co and smoke detectors up for anyone over 65 years old, they have a grant. Anyone younger if they cannot afford detectors the fire service will figure out how to help them. Winters coming, dark at night. Put house numbers out for emergency responders.

Road Service Area: Bill Kramer, primary supervisor for RSA 21. August 17th is a follow up from July's identifie CIP projects funded by extra funds from RSA taxes. Input is important . The meeting is on October 5th 6.30p at the Big Lake Rec Center and there are 10 projects. Some were funded by

construction projects. Tew's is working on brush cutting, Thanks Tew's for doing a great job. Westlake has been crack sealed.

Chamber: Cathy elections coming up 3-4 openings, contact Deb at the chamber and she will give you that information.

Nominating committee: Yvonne Ruth, Mokie Tew and Susie Longacre have 4 applications so far and there are 3 vacancies. Board applicants include Cathy Mayfield, Mike Alexander, Margaret Billinger, Diana Lada, and Aimee Altman. Sandy made a motion for next Tuesday at noon for applications due. Cathy seconded. No objections, passed unanimously.

Grants Committee: Applications will be put out tonight. Once received the committee will rate them. The goal is to do a lot of good in the community. Past awardees include the Big Lakes Lions, Dollar Lake, Big Lake Library, Jordarn Lake Park, Wild Bird, Cross Country Skis, Trails, Signage, beautification of Big Lake, Saturday market, Valley Mover, Block Party, HHS medical supplies, and the Community Closet. Oct 18th applications are due. Grants will presented at November meeting. Meeting is on the first as a committee. Will ask applicants come the 3rd. Yvonne Ruth, Sandy Baker, Louis Parker, Larry Schmidt and Cathy Mayfield are on the committee.

10. Correspondence

Ken: With the notice of variance easy thing to do is give no response, there is not enough information to make intelligence decision.

Utility tariff filings

Received the letter from DOT that Bill Kramer addressed last meeting regarding the reduction of the speed limit. DOT does not feel that the speed limit should be decreased at this time.

Got the letter from Sammy Taylor today regarding recycling and would like to put on new business next month.

Request from 907 Club to speak at today's meeting.
Notice of transfers and conditional use permit public hearing on November 7th at the Mat Su Borough building at 6pm.

Cindy Bettine asked to put 907 Club on the agenda next month under New Business.

11. Land Use/Platting

12. Unfinished Business

13. New Business

14. Announcements

Email from Patty Fisher about the trooper station located on Pittman, the lease was extended for 5 years.

Bill Haller: Big Lake Rec Center provides free open skate Saturday night and Sunday. 75-100 kids participate. The service is paid for by the raffle. Giving away \$1,000, \$500, and 5 \$100 dollar gift card at 3 bears. 5 dollars a piece or 5 for 20.

Bill Kramer: Jordan Lake Park was vandalized the last week. Please call the troopers if you see anything. Address signs, Cathy makes green signs, let him know and he'll make them they are \$15-\$20. Expects the grant committee will be getting \$2-3,000 back from unused funds for the tree.

Yvonne: Next Friday homecoming game against Reddington and there will a firework show. 27th and 29th there will be Volley Ball games. Come support the Hawks.

Cathy Mayfield- Ribbon cutting ceremony tomorrow for round about at 11am

Jennifer- next Thursday 22nd at Raven Hall is the Transportation Fair with all road projects and public transit providers.

15. Board Member's Comments

Jennifer- thank you coming and participation

Sandy- we are volunteers, thank you for your understanding

Yvonne- thank you and grant application will be out

Cathy- would like to see more people run for the board.

Casey- we will work on getting things on the website.

16. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8.26p

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Tew, Secretary

Date

Big Lake Community Council Purpose:

To provide a direct and continuing means of citizen participation in government and local affairs; to provide a method by which they can work together for expression and discussion of their opinions, needs and desires in a manner that will have an impact on our community's development and service; to provide to governmental agencies a method for receiving opinions, needs, desires and recommendations of residents and groups, and to give local governing bodies an improved basis for decision-making and assignment of priorities for all capital improvements and governmental programs affecting community development and individual well-being.