

**HALO Board Meeting
October 1, 2009
Holy Spirit Retreat Center**

Call to order by Wayne Westberg, President, at 7:07 PM.

Attendance: Wayne Westberg, Rodney Powell, Judy Moerlein, Sharon Clawson, Beth Terry, Robin Holm, Cathy Giessel, Pat Abney, Gerry Guay (7:42),

Absent:

Excused: Chris Hamre, Dianne Holmes, Jim Barnett, Jeanne/Steve McKee

Quorum (more than 9 members) present.

Guests introduced themselves.

Minutes: deferred

Treasurer's Report: Checking – \$5,821.34; savings - \$18,445.55

On a motion duly made by Pat Abney, seconded by Robin Holm and passed unanimously, the Board accepted the Treasurer's Report.

II. Legislative/Assembly Reports:

- a. Assemblywoman Jennifer Johnson reported on HDP waiting to come from Planning and Zoning. Budget process is beginning, coming to Assembly on Friday; huge deficits exist. Most of budget is labor; \$110 million currently. Also discussion of bears/garbage, and city services.
- b. No State Legislators were present.

III. Guest Speakers/Presentations: none

IV. Unfinished Business:

- a. Communication: Wayne Westberg wrote a letter to the Assembly re: Title 21 property buffering.
- b. Committee reports:
 1. Membership – Not having a paper newsletter has impaired membership. There are 356 people on the email list but Judy Moerlein advocates a newsletter. Suggestion that HALO send enews to Community Council presidents for dispersion. Discussion of HALO's work. Pat Abney points out that HALO can file a lawsuit and community councils cannot.
 2. Website – Bjarne Holm has significantly revised and improved the website. Bjarne will link all community councils to our website.
 3. Newsletter – Articles will be written by Robin Holm – Chugach State Park, Beth Terry – bears in the neighborhood, Judy Moerlein – membership, Sharon Clawson – library, Rodney Powell – Section 36. Deadline for articles – October 12. Plan discussed that Cathy Giessel will produce and mail by October 28 or 29 for deliver by November 2 or 3. Extensive discussion of print vs. electronic newsletter.

On a motion duly made by Cathy Giessel, seconded by Sharon Clawson, and passed unanimously, a postcard be sent announcing meeting topic, details and sending people to the website.

- c. Section 36 – nothing going on right now.

- d. HDP – October 12 is the next meeting will not take public testimony but Wayne Westberg urges people to attend. Attendees could be called on, by P&Z committee members, to speak on issues.
- e. Mountain Air Drive extension project meeting will be on October 22.
- f. Legislative committee established

On a motion duly made by Sharon Clawson, seconded by Robin Holm, and passed unanimously, a Legislative committee is established, to be chaired by Jim Barnett.

V. New Business:

- a. Annual donation to Holy Spirit Retreat House:

On a motion duly made by Judy Moerlein, seconded by Robin Holm and passed unanimously, HALO will donate \$300 to the Holy Spirit Retreat House this year.

- b. Recording secretary – Article V, section VIII states that duties of one officer can be assigned to another officer.

On a motion duly made by Pat Abney, seconded by Rodney Powell, and passed unanimously, HALO board assigns the duties of recording minutes, to be separated from the Secretary duties, and be fulfilled by Cathy Giessel.

- c. Bylaws review and discussion – Jim Barnett will be asked to review Bylaws and make recommendations.

- d. Board vacancy discussion – Scott Pexton has volunteered to represent G-5A.

**Wayne Westberg appoints Scott Pexton to fill Seat G-5A, and he will run for election in May 2010. HALO Board agrees by acclamation.
On a motion duly made by Gerry Guay, seconded by Robin Holm, and passed unanimously, HALO will offer to community councils of the respective G Areas, the ability to nominate one HALO board position.**

This would create more collaboration, increase membership in HALO, better dispersion of information. Jim Barnett will be asked to review the Bylaws regarding the need for amending the Bylaws to reflect this or whether it would be better keep it an informal arrangement.

- e. Meeting programs

- 1. November – fire department
- 2. December – possibly MOA budget

- f. New HALO logo – Charles Zelus submits a suggested logo. Board agrees to table until November meeting.

- g. Parliamentary - the board determined that none was needed.

On a motion duly made by Judy Moerlein, seconded by Rodney Powell, and passed unanimously, HALO board meeting adjourned at 8:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Giessel, recording secretary

TASK LIST
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Wayne Westberg

Rodney Powell

- Article on Section 36, deadline October 12

Chris Hamre

Dianne Holmes

Judy Moerlein

- Article on membership, deadline October 12

Sharon Clawson -

- Article on library, deadline October 12

Beth Terry

- Article about bears in her neighborhood, deadline October 12

Jim Barnett

- Review Bylaws

Gerry Guay

Robin Holm

- Article on Chugach State Park, deadline October 12

Cathy Giessel

- Minutes
- Newsletter to Bjarne to post on website
- Draft postcard to go to Wayne Westberg for mailing by October 27 or 28.

Jeanne/Steve McKee

Pat Abney

Scott Pexton