

Minutes for HALO Board Meeting February 3, 2011  
Holy Spirit Retreat Center, Anchorage

President Wayne Westberg opened the meeting at 7:08 pm. Other board members present were: Rodney Powell, Chris Hamre, Judy Moerlein, Dianne Holmes, Kurt Rein, Bill Lamoreaux/Beth Terry\*, Christine Monette, Susan Olsen, /Steve McKee, Peter Johnson, and Pat Abney. Excused: Robin Holm. Absent: Matt Moore

**Legislative/Assembly report:** None

**Approval of Agenda:** Agenda was modified and approved.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion by Powell and Olsen to approve the January, 2011 minutes as amended. No objection.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Checking account: \$3,002.87; Legal/Savings account: \$18,969.08. Motion by Holmes and Powell to accept Treasurer's report. No objection. There are 549 on the e-mail list and 62 paid members for 2011. Moerlein would like help deciding when we should drop people from our lists for non-payment of dues. Carrying people for five years (or to 2005) was suggested.

Motion by Rein and Abney to include a notice in our upcoming hard copy newsletter (to 549 addresses) of the person's membership expiration date and state this will be their last hard copy mailing unless they notify us they want to continue to receive hard copies or whether they want electronic versions of communications, or if they want to be deleted. The HALO website should be included for their information. The Board will follow up with phone calls towards the end of the month, before the Forum, if we haven't heard back from the 529 people. A 'script' for the Board members to use when phoning should be included in the calling list. Passed.

**Old Business:**

*Title 21 update:* Holmes asked if the board felt that the Title 21 Rewrite was important to us and for the HDP (given that implementation of it will not be forthcoming). It was reported that the process has stalled yet there is only one chapter and a few sections that remain uncompleted. A letter from the MOA last August, in response to BOMA's (Building Owners and Managers Association) complaints about Title 21, included a statement that the provisionally adopted chapters can be formally adopted without finishing the whole Rewrite. Upon hearing agreement that Title 21 is important to HALO's goals, there was a Motion by Abney and Moerlein to write a letter to the Assembly members and mayor requesting that the Title 21 chapters that have already been provisionally adopted be voted into ordinance. Passed. Weddleton will be asked to draft the letter.

*Liquor permit location update:* Monette said that Mr. Chang, who was seeking a CUP for his liquor store on the south side of Huffman and which HALO opposed, asked her who we were and why he was not allowed time to present his case before the board. There was discussion that HALO usually does invite people (or they invite themselves) to speak before the board prior to taking action on a development or other issue that involves SE Anchorage. For some reason this process was not followed in this case. Monette reported Mr. Chang got his CUP for a location on the north side of Huffman from the Assembly a few days ago.

*Hillside District Plan Implementation Committee Update:* Westberg said the name of the ground water program was being changed to "Ground water Monitoring Program," which seems more appropriate. The goal will be to have an annual report on the state of our water. He said that it is recommended that all residents on wells have tests for nitrate and coliform levels and a one-time only arsenic test.

*Candidates' Forum update:* O'Malley's on the Green has confirmed our March 3<sup>rd</sup> date. Great Harvest is donating 60 cookies. Steam Dot is providing coffee. Motion by Powell and Abney for HALO to spend \$150 for the room and \$50 for the sound system. Passed.

Rein will put up posters of the forum at Carr's bulletin board. He will also communicate with Gerry Guay about getting the sandwich board for the Forum and then keeping it for us afterwards. Olsen will help make a sign for the Forum to paste up (on the sandwich board?).

**Announcements/Discussion:**

Rein wondered if our Assembly member(s) had ideas about re-opening the Dimond Library. He'd heard it might occur near or part of a coffee shop?

There was discussion on road projects like the Mt Air Dr collector and the Huffman/Pintail intersection which was reported to have encountered an increase in accidents after improvements. Westberg said he checked and there was not an increase in accidents and requested the newsletter article be corrected accordingly.

There was an announcement about the Mayor's Charity Ball (for Oct 2011) and how one of the charities this year would be the Anchorage Citizens Coalition, which is a group that promotes good development standards through implementation of the 2020 Plan and Long Range Transportation Plan. Holmes asked for any suggestions that members might have for good auction items and businesses who might contribute. Their theme will be centered on highlighting 'neighborhoods' businesses. Several good suggestions were obtained.

**Adjourned:** 9 pm.

Submitted by: Dianne Holmes, Sec