

Seward Bear Creek Flood Service Area Meeting Minutes

August 4, 2025 - 7:00 PM

Regular Meeting

Bear Creek Multi-Use Facility Zoom Meeting ID: 838 7499 8070

David Hettick, Sr. Chair Seat A Term Expires 2026

Bob Reisner Seat B Term Expires 2027

Nicola Murawsky Seat C Term Expires 2025

Rodney Roemmich Seat D Term Expires 2026

Steven Taylor Seat E Term Expires 2027

Andy Bacon Seat F Term Expires 2025

Mark Ganser Seat G Term Expires 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER

The August 4th, 2025 regular meeting of the Seward-Bear Creek Flood Service Area board was held in person/Zoom. Vice Chairman Ganser called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

There were present:

Board Members

- A. David Hettick, Chairman excused
- B. Robert Reisner
- C. Nicola Murawsky
- D. Rodney Roemmich
- E. Steven Taylor
- F. Andy Bacon- absent
- G. Mark Ganser, Vice Chairman

Comprising a quorum of the SBCFSA Board.

Also in attendance, Samantha Allen, SBCFSA Administrative Assistant Julie Hindman, River Center Planner

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice Chairman Ganser called for unanimous consent to approve the agenda as displayed with no objection.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chairman Ganser called for unanimous consent to approve the July 7th, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes with no objection.

E. REPORTS AND PRESENATIONS

- 1. Julie Hindman, River Center Planner, no report.
- 2. Samantha Allen, SBCFSA Administrative Assistant, reported on the progress of the Upper Kwechak Project. As of last week, approximately ~4,000 yards of material were extracted and invoiced of the ~93,000 yard contracted amount.

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F. PUBLIC COMMENTS (LIMIT 3 MINUTES PER PERSON)

Mr. Sean Storie, inquired on the method for backfilling the shoulder of the berm on the work happening on Kwechak Creek? Will it only be river material? He wants to ensure that bank erosion does not continue to happen.

G. BOARD'S RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Resier stated at this time, the Board's budget cannot afford rip rap or anchored root wads for the berm, while that is a priority in the future. The project designs for a sloped bank with river rock.

H. CORRESPONDENCE

PERMITS FOR REVIEW

- 1. Multi-Use Permit for Kenai Peninsula Seward Properties, LLC, River Center #13678 Taylor moved for approval with no amendment, seconded by Murawsky. VOTE ON MOTION: Approved unanimous.
- 2. Multi-Use Permit for Sean Storie, River Center #13681 Roemmich moved for approval with River Center requirements, seconded by Reisner. VOTE ON MOTION: Approved unanimous.
- 3. Multi-Use Permit for Tim Jagielski, Owner & Phil Zimmerman, Agent, River Center #13684

Reisner moved for approval, seconded by Taylor.

VOTE ON MOTION: Approved unanimous.

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

K. NEW BUSINESS

1. Establish September Work Session Topic:

Taylor made a motion for the September work session be a site visit to the Upper Kwechak project to review work accomplished, seconded by Roemmich.

VOTE ON MOTION: Approved unanimous.

L. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND REPORTS

M. PUBLIC COMMENT (LIMIT 3 MINUTES PER PERSON)

Kris Lillemus commented on the missing elevation data on the GIS Parcel Viewer. Commented that the reorganization of the KPB site has made it difficult to find information on SBCFSA and the Parcel Viewer.

N. BOARD COMMENTS

Murawsky, expressed appreciation for having members of the public in attendance, thanked Sam for work on *Learning to Live with Water* document and the spending log, and extended thanks to Julie for her continued efforts.

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Roemmich, complimented the refreshments and thanked Sam for preparing the paperwork. He appreciated the permit information provided by Julie and noted how valuable it was to have public participation. Roemmich acknowledged the challenge of enforcing property regulations and expressed empathy for homeowners, recognizing the difficulty in balancing individual rights with proper rebuilding standards. He appreciated the collaborative effort and thanked Julie for her support.

Taylor, thanked Sam for the work done and noted being impressed by the updated document. He shared that the flood history had initially been overwhelming and that it took time to feel comfortable with the information. Taylor emphasized that the cleaned-up materials had never been this accessible. He also thanked Julie for clarifying the permitting process, stating that it was often confusing and that her explanations were very helpful. Taylor also thanked the public for attending and wished everyone an enjoyable summer.

Reisner, thanked the KPB staff and members of the public for attending. He remarked that progress had been made and that it was encouraging to see the board continuing to move forward.

Ganser, thanked Samantha for the presentation and for bringing the board up to date with information that would be useful going forward. He also thanked Julie for doing a great job in a difficult position. Ganser noted that three board seats would be up for election in the fall and announced he would not be seeking reelection. He encouraged bringing new voices to the board.

O. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairman Ganser called for unanimous consent to adjourn with no objection, and with no further business to come before the board, Vice Chairman Ganser adjourned the meeting at 8:09 pm.

The next regular work session and board meeting are scheduled for September 8th, 2025.

Samantha Allen

Administrative Assistant

09/08/2025

Date of Approval

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