

MISC. INFORMATION

**COOPER LANDING ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
LOCATION: COMMUNITY HALL AND ZOOM TELECONFERENCE
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 07, 2022
6:00 PM
UNAPPROVED MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER – 6:00pm
2. ROLL CALL – J. Cadieux, C. Degernes, Y. Galbraith, L. Johnson, K. Recken, H. Harrison, D. Story present
 - a. Agency and Organization Attendees: Tim Weekly - KPB Office of Emergency Management; Nicki Schmitt, John Morton - Alaska Wildlife Alliance; Ruth D'Amico, Heather Thamm - USFS; Patrick Cotter, Megan Flory - RESPEC; Morgan Aldridge - KPB APC Liaison; Alvin Talbert, Jonathan Tymick - AK DOT&PF; Alice Rademacher, HDR;
 - b. Members of the Public: Phil Weber, Heather Pearson, Rhonda Rogalski, Weston
 - c. Election of officers – C. Degernes moves to retain officers. Y. Galbraith seconds, all approve by roll call vote.
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – L. Johnson moves to approve the agenda with addition of reference to BOG Proposal 145 in the Alaska Wildlife Alliance presentation. Y. Galbraith seconds. All approve by roll call vote.
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES for October 05, 2022 – H. Harrison moves to approve the minutes as written. K. Recken seconds. All approve by roll call vote.
5. CORRESPONDENCE – none.
6. PUBLIC COMMENT/PRESENTATION WITHOUT PREVIOUS NOTICE – none.
7. REPORT FROM BOROUGH
 - a. Introduction of Morgan Aldridge, KPB Planner and Habitat Specialist, new CLAPC liaison to the KPB Planning Department.
 - i. M. Aldridge said Nancy Carver is retiring soon and M. Aldridge will be stepping into the liaison role. She explained she has lived and worked in the area for a long time including duties for the KPB regarding area habitat concerns and looks forward to working with the community.
 - b. DOT&PF Sterling Hwy MP 45-60 Project report and questions/answers. Jonathan Tymick, PE, Project Manager, AKDOT&PF.
 - i. Signed agreements with all the land owners in Phase 1B.
 - ii. Permits for erosion repair in MP 57-58.
 - iii. Tracking expiration dates of permits.

- iv. Crossed the threshold for FHA major project which includes additional considerations for subsequent activities.
- v. Project will need to reroute Bean Creek and they are hoping the intricate trail systems will be staked next summer so folk can see it on the ground and make comment.
- vi. Meeting with snowmachine club soon to discuss winter access and parking.
- vii. Non-Sterling Highway MP 45-60 DOT project info:
 - 1. Quartz Creek Bridge replacement project has been awarded to Tutka LLC. The project will follow an aggressive timeline to fit between migratory bird and spawning salmon seasons and meet an anticipated completion date at the end of 2023.
 - a. J. Cadieux asked how the bridge design will accommodate bike/ped traffic.
 - b. J. Tymick said it may not fully accommodate that traffic but that he will send over the cross-section design. [See supporting documents.]
 - 2. There is a Sterling Y project coming up [at the junction with the Seward Highway] that will restructure the intersection as an interchange so no traffic has to stop.
- viii. Lodging in Cooper Landing is becoming a concern. They have disallowed use of travel trailers thus far but may need to have a “man camp” with trailers in the future. Including the KPB in determining solutions.
- c. Unit 395 update with Patrick Cotter, RESPEC
 - i. Updated the project website.
 - ii. Heard a lot of comments regarding desire to focus on recreation rather than housing.
 - 1. There is an effort to look for alternative parcels that might allow for housing focus.
 - a. J. Cadieux asked for any updated info on ordinance from the KPB that would allow for affordable housing.
 - i. P. Cotter said he does not have any info on that yet but that the group looking at the housing part of the project is reviewing the housing survey.
 - ii. He said that Information Insights, the Alaska Municipal League, and the KPB are all involved in an effort to determine language that may be used in affordable housing ordinances throughout the state.
 - 2. Geotechnical report is buttoned up and sent off to KPB.
 - 3. P. Cotter said that the KPB met with the State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO) and the project is remaining sensitive to cultural resources that may exist on the project lands.

- a. Lorraine Temple asked for a review on what they have found archeologically on the project and asked for him to expand on that.
 - i. P. Cotter said that three quarters of 395 falls within the Squilantnu Archeological District. The project has been seeking information from the DOT since much of the area was studied as a part of the MP 45-60 project. They will be including the DOT, SHPO, and Kenaitze Indian Tribe in survey of this area.
 - d. Tim Weekly, Program Manager at Office of Emergency Management.
 - i. Here to introduce himself and share that the OEM will be working with Chief Dan Osborn and CLES to survey the parcels in Cooper Landing for wildfire risk assessment including the urban/wildlands interface.
- 8. OLD BUSINESS – none.
- 9. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. CLAPC proposed budget will be needed soon. Discussion of needs.
 - i. K. Recken said she would like to see an improvement in the microphone or related technologies for these meeting services.
 - ii. D. Story said the existing system is homespun due to its simplicity and because it does not cost. He said that other systems are generally more expensive or more complicated or both and are outside of his expertise.
 - iii. Y. Galbraith said CLES and the Library may benefit from similar technologies. She said she will begin researching and bring this up to the CLCC board for the next agenda.
 - iv. H. Harrison said multiple agencies would benefit from an improved system.
 - v. M. Aldridge said that it is worth asking but that technological items are not generally approved by the KPB for APC budgets.
 - vi. K. Recken said that she will check with the Library grant writer to see about whether funding may be available through sources like the Rasmussen Foundation.
 - vii. Y. Galbraith moves to approve the budget as written with the addition of an open line for technology. C. Degernes seconds. All approve by roll call vote.

10. PLAT REVIEW – none

11. INFORMATION and ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. John Morton, PhD Wildlife Ecology, Supervisory Biologist at KNWR retired, and Nicole Schmitt, Alaska Wildlife Alliance.
 - i. N. Schmitt said AK Wildlife Alliance is organized to give voice to wildlife. Works a lot in the Board of Game (BOG) arena since the

BOG makes a lot of decisions for the consumption of wildlife regarding seasons and methods and means.

- ii. She said Alaska Wildlife Alliance is seeking a letter of support for their Board of Game proposal (Proposal 145) from the CLAPC.
- iii. The proposal includes all specifically constructed wildlife crossings on the Sterling Highway MP 45-60 project where, when completed, will not be protected by regulations from harvest of wildlife. The Board of Game works on a three-year cycle. Kenai Peninsula is in this cycle and won't be considered again for three years. AK Wildlife Alliance hopes to get Proposal 145 approved before construction of MP 45-60 Project is complete so protections are ready and in place once it is ready for use.
- iv. J. Morton said that the Board of Game may not be the preferred method to enact these protections but is one method to do so.
- v. He said this was not an issue for the section of highway that has underpasses between Jim's Landing and Sterling because it is managed by the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge (KNWR) which meant these crossings inherited the protections already in place on KNWR lands.
 - 1. Aiming to amend the areas closed to hunting and trapping to include areas within ¼ mile of the crossings making it consistent with the other crossings that exist along the Sterling Highway on nearby KNWR lands.
 - 2. DOT is coming at this mostly to reduce wildlife collisions while AK Wildlife Alliance's focus is on the rest of the interactions.
- vi. N. Schmitt said the proposal is not to manage wildlife. It is to ensure that the multimillion-dollar crossings that are designed to safely funnel wildlife across the highway corridor can do just that. Without these protections it does the opposite.
- vii. She said, currently there are no setbacks in place from roads or crossings on state lands and that Board of Game Proposal 145 places protections for the Sterling Highway wildlife crossings.
- viii. J. Morton said that this is the least desirable of the three ways these protections can be put in place and described the three ways.
 - 1. MOU between USFS, USFWS, and DOT is being negotiated. This may not include these protections.
 - 2. United States Forest Service manages the land of most of these crossings [on the Sterling Highway MP 45-60 project] and has the capacity to do this on its own.
 - 3. DOT also has a mechanism to do so, State of Alaska agency to agency.
- ix. C. Degernes asked if it is too late to amend the proposal to include the two trails under the Juneau Creek Bridge.
 - 1. J. Morton said that part of the reason the bridge was not included is because they do not believe that those trails are mitigation for wildlife and so the proposal is written

narrowly to concentrate on those that are mitigation for wildlife.

2. Nikki said that the CL Safe Trails Committee also submitted BOG proposals for setbacks from trails including those mentioned and that individuals can also comment on any BOG proposals with amendments.
- x. J. Tymick said that wildlife will cross in many other locations too, including three upsized culverts. He said specific identifiers for those upsized culverts do not exist but the other locations may be referred to by their structure names.
 1. J. Morton said that the BOG pushes back on human used trails and so this proposal focuses on wildlife specific crossings.
- xi. N. Schmitt said amendments to the proposals are viable.
- xii. C. Degernes moves that the CLAPC support the BOG Proposal 145. L. Johnson seconds. All approve.
- xiii. C. Degernes moves to amend BOG Proposal 145 to include the additional locations/structures where likely wildlife passage will occur in the Sterling Highway MP 45-60 corridor including the following underpasses and upsized culverts:
 1. Slaughter Gulch
 2. Coyote Notch
 3. Resurrection Pass and Bean Creek Trails
 4. West Juneau Bench Road underpass in Unit 395
 5. MP 45-60 Project Upsized Culverts 1, 2, and 3 west of Juneau Creek Bridge.
- xiv. Y. Galbraith seconds. C. Degernes, Y. Galbraith, L. Johnson, K. Recken, D. Story, J. Cadieux approve. H. Harrison nay. Motion passes by roll call vote. J. Cadieux will write a letter to BOG indicating the results of these votes.
- xv. L. Temple mentioned that individual comments can be include on these BOG proposals.

12. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

- a. C. Degernes thanked J. Cadieux, H. Harrison, and D. Story for continuing to serve in their officer roles.
- b. The first CLAPC meeting of 2023 will be on January 4th.

13. ADJOURNMENT – Y. Galbraith moves to adjourn. L. Johnson seconds. All approve. 7:35pm

For more information or to submit comments please contact:

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Hope/Sunrise Advisory Planning Commission
Meeting Approved Minutes
7 P.M. October 5, 2022
Hope Library and via Zoom

- A. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Jim Skogstad
- B Members present were Jessie Maguire, Derrick Jabaay, Jim Skogstad, Flip Foldager, Levi Hogan and Johnny Sorenson
- C. G. John Sorenson pledged the oath of office to defend both the U.S. and State Constitution while impartially performing his duties as a commission member.
- D. The agenda was approved.
- E. The minutes of September 14 were approved with a correction that the next meeting date was to be October 5 instead of published October 6.
- F. There was no public comment or presentation. Nancy Carver from the borough attended via Zoom.
- H. Report from the borough indicated the post card for community input will be pink and in the mail soon.
- I. Unfinished business: The survey will be mailed to each property owner in 99605 zip code. If two or more residents live at an address each person will be allowed to vote. If you have more than one property, you should only vote one time and not one vote for each property. It is on an honor system and can be turned in at the library or scanned from a phone. Jim Skogstad will mail the hard copies collected at the library to the borough to be entered into the data bank. The responses must be returned earlier than December 30, 2022. Renters or people who reside in Hope but do not own property will be able to pick up a survey and return the completed survey at the library.
- J. New business: The Commission will return to work on a community land use plan. The main necessary step is to summarize edits that have been submitted by commission members to be reviewed, discussed and then resolve differences before submitting to the community. No one on the committee has computer skills so Jesse Maguire volunteered to summarize the work. It is a big job and we thank her.
- K Results of the community survey will not be received until 2023 so earliest any community input could be included in any plan would be late spring of 2023.
- L. The next meeting will be November 9, 2022 at 7 P.M.
- M. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Any questions, please contact: Chair Jim Skogstad at 907 229-1430 or email akskogstad@aol.com

MOOSE PASS ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING

Monica Adams, Jennifer Boyle, Kevin Dunham, Jeff Estes, Jeff Hetrick, Bruce Jaffa, David Pearson
Thursday, November 10, 2022, – 6:00 PM

APPROVED MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:04pm
2. ROLL CALL: Bruce Jaffa, David Pearson, Jennifer Boyle, Monika Adam, Jeff Estes, Jeff Hetrick
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING October 06, Meeting: Postponed until next meeting.
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Jeff Hetrick motion to approve, Jeff Estes 2nd. Unanimous approval.
5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Jeff Hetrick motion to retain existing officers, Jeff Estes 2nd. Unanimous approval.
6. CORRESPONDENCE
 - a. Cooper Landing Area 395: Jeff Hetrick contacted by Meghan Florey from RESPEC, the consulting firm hired by the borough to solicit community feedback regarding future management of unit 395. They are holding a public meeting in Cooper Landing on Nov 16 4:30-7:30 pm. Link to website: <https://www.unit395planning.com/>
7. PUBLIC COMMENT/PRESENTATION WITHOUT PREVIOUS NOTICE: None
8. PRESENTATION
 - a. ~~DNR/ Tukka LLC re Crown Point Rock Extraction~~—Bruce reached out to DNR to present on Crown Point Rock Quarry. They could not make it to the meeting tonight but said that the state had not yet received the complete application from Tukka (Still need to provide a blasting plan). Tukka will also need a DOT “crossing permit”. DOT Airport leasing division will also be very involved in the permitting process.
9. REPORT FROM THE BOROUGH: None
10. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. Survey Draft review. See attached PDF of latest version Survey draft. Would like to insert a question regarding the community management and the potential to be a second class city. The following link helps explain what that all means.
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11. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Schedule to print and distribute Survey. Not ready to determine this yet.
12. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Jeff Hetrick mentioned consulting with the Sportsman’s Club regarding the survey and the updates to the comprehensive plan. This should get brought to the Sportsman’s club meeting next week. If we aim to roll out the survey by Jan/Feb the Sportsman’s club can schedule their next meeting to address the survey.
-Monika Adam provided Bruce Jaffa with contact info for Moose Pass Base Camp LLC. Bruce will

attempt to contact them to have them join us at a future meeting.

13. NEXT MEETING December 8th, 2022
14. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS: None
15. ADJOURNMENT: 7:41 pm

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Meeting ID: 578 737 2110

NIKISKI ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY DECEMBER 1, 2022
6:00 PM
LOCATION: NORTH PENINSULA REC CENTER
UNAPPROVED MINUTES

1. PUBLIC COMMENT/PRESENTATION
 - a. Alaska Gasline Development Corp. Update
2. ROLL CALL
 - a. Patricia Williams, Jason Ross, Karen McGahan, Kelly Brewer, Lenora Niesen, Michael Peek in attendance
 - b. Robert Ruffner, Samantha Lopez, Morgan Aldridge and Ryan Raidmae from the KPB in attendance
3. OATHS OF OFFICE
 - a. Ryan Raidmae gave the oath of office to Jason Ross, Karen McGahan, Kelly Brewer, Lenora Niesen, Michael Peek
4. CALL TO ORDER – Call to order at 7:25pm
5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS
 - a. Chairman – Jason Ross by unanimous consent
 - b. Vice Chair – Lenora Niesen by unanimous consent
 - c. Secretary – Karen McGahan by unanimous consent
6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA - As shown
7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - None
8. REPORT FROM BOROUGH – None
9. OLD BUSINESS - None
10. NEW BUSINESS - None
11. PLAT REVIEW - None
12. INFORMATION and ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - a. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Thursday January 5, 2023 at 5:30 PM
 - i. APC Training from KPB
 - b. 2023 MEETING CALENDAR
13. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS - None
14. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting Adjourned at 8:15pm