

Meeting Minutes November 10, 2021

Meadow Lakes Community Council Inc.

◆ 3 Officers required for quorum: TOTAL = YES ◆

Y Pres: Camden Yehle Y Vice Pres: Linda Conover
N Treasurer: Andrea Scott Y Sec: Patricia Fisher
Y Council Coordinator: Tim Swezey

◆ 13 Members of the Meadow Lakes Community required for quorum: YES ◆

Meeting Quorum = Yes

VIRTUAL MEETING CONDUCTED ON ZOOM and Streamed on Facebook.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Camden Yehle.

Pledge of Allegiance: Recited.

Quorum: Determination of quorum was made by the Membership Committee.

Consent Agenda: The Consent Agenda was passed with no objections.

Treasurer's Report: Highlights of the month's fiscal transactions were shared.

Board Reports:

President Camden Yehle gave an update on MEA's schedule for the new Transmission Line. There will be a focus group meeting regarding the Line on December 15. Camden is MLCC's representative to the Focus Group. The next public hearing will be in January 2022.

There are new ATV regulations which take effect on January 1. The MLCC January meeting will include a presentation on the new regulations from Alaska State Troopers.

Camden hopes everyone will look after their neighbors now that cold weather has set in.

Safety Chair Chad Scott reminded all to check their stove pipes and smoke detectors.

Gaming Chair Ariel Cannon gave a report on gaming activity.

Secretary Patti Fisher reported that the Council received the grant from United Way of Mat-Su which paid for the replacement of a gate on the field, and repair of the adjacent fence.

Council Coordinator Tim Swezey reported that he is working on the plans for the improvements to the Park's irrigation system

Parks and Trails Chair Lori Benner reported that a surveyor has been found to survey the Visnaw Trail to the Little Su.

Presentation: Mat-Su Borough Staff, Alaska Redistricting, Pam Graham

Pam Graham presented a power point program on the results of the Alaska Redistricting Board's decision on redistricting.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Camden announced that the Christmas White Elephant auction has regrettably been cancelled. Sherri Rusher reported that the Christmas Dinner Basket project will be conducted. A grant was received from the Mat-Su Health Foundation to cover a large part of the cost of the project. Donations are welcome to cover the remaining cost.

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Correspondence: The Correspondence was read by Tim Swezey.

- Drake Estates, MSB Case# 2021-169

The request is to create 8 lots from Lot2 Block 1, to be known as Drake Estates, containing 42.84 acres +/- . The plat is located east of N. Pittman Road, west of N. Suzanna Street, and directly south of W. Kathi Drive;

Comments due Nov. 12, 2021 & Public hearing Dec 16, 2021

Facebook October 22nd: <https://bit.ly/2Zmhcsq> & Documents: <https://bit.ly/3jt6k2N>

The application by Drake Estates was discussed in detail. Camden presented the draft of a letter which was prepared by Camden, and reviewed by the Board. The letter would be submitted to the Platting Board if approved by the membership at the meeting. The concerns with the application which were discussed were: 1) that the acreage is designated Wetlands, 2) the Council does not support the creation of flag pole lots, 3) that there are driveways on a curve with limited visibility, 4) the possible inadequate area for septic on Lot 5, and 5) the lack of a turn-around on lots 6 and 7 which will make Borough maintenance difficult.

A motion was made by Secretary Fisher to allow the president to complete the letter to include the concerns as discussed. The motion was seconded by Sherri Rusher. The motion was approved with 15 positive votes and 4 abstentions.

Agency Reports:

Senator David Wilson: Senior Wilson reported that he is preparing for the 2022 legislative session. The ATV regulation will go into effect on January 1. Municipalities can opt out of the ordinance. Senator Wilson was asked about Trooper benefits.

Chief Hightower, West Lake Fire: The Chief gave an update on the activities of the fire department. The Fire Department is again making safety presentations in the schools. They are installing smoke and CO2 alarms, and have driveway address signs for residents. The chief recognized members of the department who had been given awards for excellent service.

Representative Kevin McCabe: Representative McCabe announced there is the Veterans' Day celebration at the Veterans' wall in Wasilla. He recognizes that Trooper retention is important, and is concerned about addressing the PFD issue during the coming legislation session.

Persons to be Heard: None

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Camden Yehle, President Date _____

Patricia Fisher, Secretary Date _____