

GLEN ALPS ROAD SERVICE AREA

Thursday, September 16, 2010
7:00 pm
Holy Spirit Conference Center
Manresa Conference Room

AGENDA

I. Call to Order 7:08 PM

II. Roll Call

Board members:

Daniel Constantine - Absent

Judy Burtner - Absent

Joe Connolly - Present (Acting Chair)

Marc Rodman - Present

Shelly Martin - Present

Contractor: Carl Luchsinger, Alaska Pollution Control

Residents:

Dane Larsen, Springhill Dr

Mark Mitchell, Talisman Rd

Judy Caminer, Toilsome Hill Dr

Teresa Kavanagh, Alpweg

Maria Gowan, Alpweg

David Doolen, Echo Canyon

Dale Doolen, Echo Canyon

Guest: Josh Cross, Lounsbury & Associates, Inc.

III. Approval of May Meeting Minutes - **Approved** as written except for posting the Toilsome/Glen Alps and Canyon Road Improvements Project updates on website. Shelly is still working with the Municipality to get the updates on our webpage. Some residents mentioned that they would prefer to get direct e-mails versus checking the website, so Shelly will work on that as well.

IV. Chair Report

- Review of summer contractor work:
 - o Cox road was ditched and culverts added as planned. We had an extremely wet summer so should be able to tell where low spots are etc., and will be prepared to chip seal next year if everything is OK.
 - o Work on Larissa was done; however, there appears to be some swells. We will have to wait and see what happens over the winter to see if further work is needed.

- What needs to be moved to winter or next summer project list?
 - o Winter Projects - All were **Approved:**
 - Need to do pre-winter grading
 - Check &/or flush all culverts
 - Place or replace blue flags on culverts
 - Check heat tapes to make sure they function properly.
 - Messina could use material and ditched if possible (Marc will check on this and proceed at his discretion).
 - o Next Summer Projects:
 - Would like to chip seal Tower Estates so will need a quote by April or May meeting.
 - May also chip seal Larissa when we finish Cox Road next summer.
 - Maybe fire-lane no parking signs will be up by next summer? Best way to handle this issue is for residents to contact their legislators to ask for help with the parking situation. One point residents should make in their letters to legislators is to mention that for a park with thousands of acres there are too few access points. The police/fire departments have already tried to address the issue with the state to no avail. Resident Judy Caminer, who is on the Chugach State Park Citizen's Advisory Board, will check to see if the state park currently has an estimate for the cost of expanding the parking lot. Judy stated that the Advisory Board meets the 2nd Monday of the month in the Atwood bldg, and would encourage residents to attend to discuss this important issue. Also of note is the Administrators for the Tabbytite property have offered land for a parking lot in exchange for a monument dedicated to their ancestor but the State has refused as recently as spring 2010. No acreage was discussed they just asked the park to consider but they won't.

UPDATE AS OF 10/14/2010: Resident Judy Caminer provided the following information regarding the Glen Alps parking lot issue: The Park is putting in a budget request to expand the Glen Alps parking lot. There is no guarantee that this request will be approved; however, it would be a very good time for the GARS board (and residents) to write letters to the Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Natural Resources and the Governor's office to plead our case for the expansion. Also, the Chugach State Park Citizen Advisory Board has several vacancies and will be accepting applications until November 30th.

If interested, please go to following link for further information and to apply.

<http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/misc/advisboardapp.doc>

V. Treasurer's Report - See Attached Report from MOA

- **Fund Balance:** \$62,207
- **Contractor Bills paid:**
 - June - \$ 54,086.40
 - July - 134,587.26
 - August - 18,761.20
- \$40K will be moved to our Capital Fund for 2010 unless we change our direction (decide to lower mill rate). If we plan to use Capital Funds to gain access on Canyon Road, Mr. Robinson suggested we use some fund balance for projects. Maury also asked that we request any funds from the fund balance needed for 2011 summer work at our January meeting.

VI. Old Business

- Update of Toilsome/Glen Alps and Canyon Road Improvements Project by Josh Cross of Lounsbury & Associates, Inc.

Lounsbury is pressing ahead with the preferred alternative. The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) has been a little difficult to work with, and Lounsbury is trying to get the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) attorney to meet with the BIA to help smooth things over. There are nine items BIA has asked for that the MOA is providing. Surveys will be prepared after all nine items have been gathered and everything will be submitted to the BIA for processing. Lounsbury will go ahead and obtain an appraisal from an individual on the *approved* BIA list (who also happens to have a good working relationship with them) and will give the appraisal to BIA. If BIA does not accept this appraisal and want to get one of their own it will obviously take more time.

VII. New Business

- We need to continue the fire lane signage up Glen Alps Road past the Y on both sides. The question, "Can we put up a sign that says 'No Parking Beyond this point'" was asked. Josh said yes, but we need to make sure the signs meet the color and size requirements to be enforceable (i.e., orange signs are not enforceable). Marc offered to contact the MOA traffic engineer for his help in determining the correct and most effective way to order the signage.
- Resident Mark Mitchell from Patrick Road asked about chip sealing Patrick, and if there was ever a survey of the

road and the property boundaries which would offer a good starting point for the project. Members of the board stated that a survey was done in 2007. As background to this issue, board members stated that a majority of residents on Patrick have previously come before the board stating they did not want chip sealing because they would have to give up some of their property (in actuality the property needed is ROW not their property). The board concluded that if Mr. Mitchell can get a majority of the residents to agree to the chip sealing, the board will readdress this issue.

- Resident Judy Caminer stated there is a 40-foot van that is currently sitting on Ginami Street opposite the mailboxes. This could cause problems with snow plowing. Ms Caminer will call the ROW folks to make them aware of this situation.
- A resident reported that there is a pothole where Toilsome meets Upper Huffman. The resident will call the state first to see if they will fix it, and will also have the state check that the traffic signage there is adequate.

VIII. Next Meeting Announcement - January 20, 2011, Bear Valley School Library

IX. Adjournment - 9:05 pm

GARSA Board of Supervisors:

Daniel Constantine (317-0596) - Chair
Joe Connolly (336-9400) - Alternate Chair
Judy Burtner (345-1598) - Treasurer
Marc Rodman (345-2976) - Project Chair
Shelly Martin (317-7472) - Recording Secretary

Department Budget To Actuals

Municipality of Anchorage

As of 9/30/2010

67.00% through the year

Fund Type: Operating Funds
Fund: 105
Account: all
Department: Division: Glen Alps RRSA
DeptID: 7450 & 9254

Approp	Description	Budget	Expended	Encumbered	Pre-Encum	Remaining	% Spent
2000	Non-Labor	\$238,049.00	\$151,271.03	\$84,598.47	\$0.00	\$2,179.50	99.08%
3900	Contributions to Others	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	100.00%
							99.21%
6000	Charges from Dep'ts	\$33,301.00	\$15,915.21	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,385.79	47.76%
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9000	Total Revenues	(\$311,349.00)	(\$306,784.06)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$4,564.94)	98.53%

Note: As of this reporting period the total direct budget amount unexpended equals: **\$86,777.97**

Encumbered & Pre-Encumbered amounts are not expended but budget reservations for road contract services.

Reflects payment of invoices through July-2010.

Future contractual services payments draw against the Encumbered amount.

The Remaining budget amount is available for expenditure but a sufficient amount should be saved for 4th quarter maintenance.

Approved mill rate limit: 2.75 mills.

Final 2010 assessed valuations pending publication. 2010 budget amounts could change as valuations are adjusted.

\$40K Contributions to Others is Capital Fund Contribution. Balance after 2009 contribution; \$80K.

Fund Balance 12/31/2009 \$ 150,199

Bond Designation 8.25% \$ 25,697

Emergency Designation (20%) \$ 62,295

Undesignated Fund Balance \$ 62,207

(Avail. For Appropriation)

Undesignated Fund Balance \$ 62,207