

## **Hollis Community Council Meeting April 8, 2014**

**Call to Order** - Meeting was called to order at 7:05 by president Budd Burnett

**Council Members Present** - Budd Burnett, Bill Sharpes, Bob Andrews, Matt Beer, Tom Lynch, Colleen Watson, Sandra Nessett.

**Community Members Present** - Arthur Cook, Buck Martin, Keith Michaels, Brian Hallstrom, Greg Boyd, Ron Sharp, Debbie Beer, Sharon Lambeth.

**Reading of Minutes** - Minutes of 3/11/14 were approved as read. M/S Tom Colleen

**Financial Report** - There was no financial report.

**Insurance Report** - Greg Boyd of Davies-Barry Insurance made a presentation on municipal insurance. All municipalities and schools in the state are insured by one of two different insurance companies and Davies-Barry can write for either of them. Boyd estimated that coverage for Hollis would be approximately \$10,000, but would include all of Hollis's assets, including picnic area, trail, buildings, vehicles, Fire Department, EMS, heliport and cemetery. Coverage would also extend to volunteers. Present insurance is limited to \$1,000,000/occurrence while the proposed policy would have a \$15,000,000/occurrence cap. The council will need to meet as a committee of the whole to discuss this more completely.

**Harris River Road/Harris River Road West** - Opening the connection between the two roads was discussed. As a safety consideration, motion was made to reconnect the two roads. At some point, a gate may be installed, but until the West Harris Road is brought up to standard, the connect will remain open. M/S Colleen/Tom - unanimous

**Fire Department Update** - Rob Olmstead made a presentation via audio conference regarding Klawock's arrangement to use Island Air for medivacs. Rob reported that Island Air had access to their Caravan, float planes and a helicopter. He stated they were the preferred provider under Blue Cross. There are still a lot of questions and Bill Sharpes will meet with Rob next week to gather more information.

Keith reported that AP&T will be installing a repeater tower near the junction of the Hollis Highway and Hydaburg Road this summer. If we can reach it from Hollis, it would be useful in our emergency communications.

He also reported that our fire siren is in Ketchikan waiting to be picked up.

Bob reported that Sandra Nessett and Roger Cates attended a two day Red Cross Emergency Kitchen training session in Craig. Their culminating activity was serving a tasty meal to Hollis first responders at the fire hall. Great job, Sandra and Roger!

Keith reported that the Moose Club had Money for EMS supplies. Bob will write a letter of request to the Moose.

**Harris River Trail** - The Forest Service still has not contracted for removal of the Harris River Bridge.

**Cemetery Update** - The road to the cemetery is pretty constantly underwater with each new rain after our flooding a couple months ago. Bruce Dunbar took a look and advised digging out the main creek channel and berming it up against farther failure. Budd will again approach ADFG and USF&W regarding dredging out the stream, as permitting will be necessary to work in a fish stream. As it sits presently, it will most likely fail as a fish stream. Budd is forwarding photos to these agencies.

**Second Class City Update** - Our petition is still at the Local Boundary Commission for a pre-legal review. We hope to receive it back before the next meeting.

**Election District Update** - Bob spoke with Lauri Wilson at the Division of Elections. She said the Division completed its redistricting work in February and our region did not add any new polling places. Polling places are determined by census numbers.

She did say that Hollis is still on the active list as an In-Person-Absentee-Voting-Location for primary, REAA, and general elections. Currently Heidi Wegand is listed as the paid poll attendant .

**Watershed Association** - The Prince of Wales Watershed Association has funding to supply each community with three signs identifying their watershed. Hollis will be requesting two focused on the Maybeso River and one on the Harris River.

The council also appointed Art Cook to represent Hollis on the Watershed Council. Art will be replacing Tom Lynch.

**Motion to Adjourn** - Motion was made to adjourn by Tom Lynch at 9:07 - unanimous