Federation of Community Councils
Coalition of Delegates Meeting

Wednesday, May 21, 2026 | Hybrid
Final Minutes

Zoom meeting being recorded, including the "Chat". There is no expectation of privacy.

FCC Delegates in attendance (26)

Abbott Loop – Lizzie Newell
Airport Heights – Emily Weiser
Basher – Don Crafts
Bayshore/Klatt – Bob Laule
Bear Valley – Kaitlyn Jackson
Birchwood – Not Present
Campbell Park – Nicole Cupp
Chugiak – Darryl Parks
Downtown – Not Present
Eagle River – Cliff Cook
Eagle River Valley – Glen Justis
Eklutna Valley – Not Present
Fairview – Kelly Ittenbach
Girdwood (GBOS) – Not Present
Glen Alps – Greg Kuijper
Government Hill – No Present
Hillside – Sandy Blomfield
Huffman/O'Malley – Jason Norris
Midtown – Kris Stoehner
Mountain View – Charlie Welch
North Star – Jade Powell
Northeast – Pamela Raygor
Old Seward/Oceanview – Gary Meaders
Rabbit Creek – Tim Alderson
Rogers Park – Not Present
Russian Jack – Not Present
Sand Lake – Liz Vasquez
Scenic Foothills – Not Present
South Addition – John Thurber
South Fork – Not Present
Spenard – Sarah Preskitt
Taku-Campbell – Sarah Alexander
Turnagain – Cathy Gleason
Turnagain Arm – Michael Packard
UMed / Tudor – Tod Butler

Others in attendance:

Mike Edgington, FCC Executive Board Chair
Arianna Bellizzi, FCC Executive Director
Ali Rambo, FCC Office Administrator
Anna Brawley, Anchorage Assembly
Daniel Volland, Anchorage Assembly
Nora Morse, Mayor's Office
Paul Hatcher, Planning Department
John Weddleton, CASA Advisory Committee Chair
Chelsea Ward-Waller, PM&E CIP Coordinator
Steve Callaghan, UMed / Tudor President
Todd Lindley, Chugach Electric Board Candidate

Call to Order and Establish Quorum: Mike Edgington, Chair
The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

I. **Meeting Opening**
   a. Roll Call & Group Agreements

II. **Consent Agenda**
   a. **Approval of Agenda**
      i. Motion to approve the agenda & minutes made by Charlie Welch, seconded by Kelly Ittenbach. Motion passed unanimously via consent.

III. **Decision Topic:** Board of Directors Election
   a. The Board of Directors slate was voted in unanimously as follows via consent.
      - Kelly Ittenbach, Fairview – D1
      - Sarah Preskitt, Spenard – D1, D3, D4
      - Kaitlyn Jackson, Bear Valley – D6
      - Mike Edgington, Girdwood – D6
      - Jade Powell, North Star – D1
      - Pam Raygor, Northeast – D5
      - Joy Webb, Eagle River Valley – D2
      - Roger Shaw, Scenic Foothills – D5
      - Darryl Parks, Chugiak – D2
      - Sarah Alexander, Taku / Campbell – D3, D4, D6
      - Charlie Welch, Mountain View – D1
   b. Jade Powell was elected to the Coalition Liaison position unanimously via consent.
      i. Mike Edgington continued to lead the meeting in lieu of Jade Powell for the evening due to illness.

IV. **Education Topic: Council Updates** – Girdwood thru Old Seward / Oceanview
   a. **Glen Alps** – Recently held elections and has been trying to work in tandem with the LRSA in the interest of less meetings. There are concerns of erosion on Canyon Road Access Point into Chugach State Park after a culvert had frozen over the winter.
   b. **Hillside** – Hillside received a grant from Senator Kaufman & Colombe to put toward safety upgrades toward O'Malley Road for O'Malley Elementary School.
   c. **Huffman / O'Malley** – Recently submitted for the Beyond the Beige Art Grant through the Mayor's office, conducted a walk audit of Brayton Dr with Assembly Member Johnson and representatives from DOT, with plans to put forth a Resolution at the next HOCC meeting in regard to a pilot project request for Reallocation of Lane Space for non-motorized use. RCCC's Chair Tim also joined for the walk audit.
   d. **Mountain View** – Had a neighborhood cleanup last Saturday.
   e. **North Star** – Fireweed Lane Rehabilitation has an upcoming open house and remains a big focus for North Star; they're also hosting a BBQ again this summer.
   f. **Northeast** – Held elections at their most recent meeting, while also highlighting The Spirit of Muldoon picnic in June. JBER Perimeter fencing was also cited as a concern for Northeast.

g. **Old Seward / Oceanview** – Three current construction projects are slated to begin soon regarding resurfacing the road from rain damage, cast iron piping in the Eldon subdivision.
h. **Fairview** – Recently held elections, held the Annual Clean-Up and filled 3 dumpsters up – Thanking Ramsey & Son's for donating the dumpsters to the clean up again year after year, along with the Masonic Hall for allowing the dumpsters to sit in their parking lot. Perseverance Gardens had 50 volunteers come out and work toward getting the garden ready for planting, with most of the work completed in just one day. The Fairview Block Party is also coming up in July.
i. **Eagle River** – Thanked the FCC's Executive Director for coming out to present about the FCC at the most recent meeting, welcoming her back anytime.
j. **South Addition** – Noted the continual tearing down of houses, with a lack of new developments being created. South Addition invited Cook Inlet Housing Authority to their upcoming meeting to hopes of understanding why there haven't been any new housing developments built in the South Addition area in 2026.
k. **Abbott Loop** – Repeated requests from people for rezones in the town center area, they have similar issues to South Addition in trying to understand why certain areas aren't being developed in the way they'd like to see.
l. **Spenard** – The windmill is coming down in the next week due to rotting with talks of a newer / refreshed on being built in its place. In lieu of summer meetings this year Spenard will be planning public safety meetings / meetings with Assembly Members in the interest of addressing some of the complicated issues in the area. Also noted the upcoming public meeting regarding the speed limit on Muldoon / Tudor.
m. **Turnagain** – Has provided input on the Fish Creek Trail Connection, as well as the Kiwanis Fish Creek Park mural project, Turnagain also approved their CIP list and will be having a Land Use Committee meeting to discuss the Minnesota Dr Corridor Plan Proposal. Noted concerns about the missing landscaping on West Northern Lights / Turnagain, the Minnesota sidewalk repair, and high-density housing in a subdivision on Lake Shore Dr.

V. **Discussion Topic -** FCC 2027 Budget, Kelly Ittenbach – FCC Treasurer
   a. Kelly presented the proposed 2027 FCC Budget to the Coalition of Delegates; she explained that there were no major changes with the 2027 budget from 2026 but noted that there was potential for increase in 2028.
      i. Questions were raised from the members about various topics such as cost-of-living increases for staff in the future, increases in accounting costs, specific line items pertaining to utilities, postage, and insurance.

VI. **Information Topic** – FCC Updates, Arianna Bellizzi – Executive Director
   a. Arianna presented an informational update regarding the FCC's upcoming activities and opportunities this summer / fall.
   b. FCC will be offering Microgrants to Community Councils for outreach.
   c. Arianna also reported that the Roberts Rules of Order Workshop went well with 50% attendance and new faces present with more to come in the fall.
   d. Arianna shared the upcoming fall events the FCC could be found at – including:

i. FCC is tabling at one library a month for the foreseeable future
ii. Better Public Meetings Facilitator Training – Online, August 29th
iii. Beartooth Fundraiser, September 14th – Join or Die, a Film about why you should join a club and why the fate of America depends on it.

VII. Education Topic – Representative Reports

a. **Mayor's Office –** Nora Morse
   i. Nora gave an update on the mayor's efforts to reduce homelessness – she reported a 28% reduction in overall unsheltered homelessness. She covered updates on downtown patrols, budget constraints, incoming new police officers, a low-level drug intervention task force was currently being considered, the JBER Perimeter Fencing, and an update on the Port of Anchorage construction.
b. **Anchorage Assembly –** Anna Brawley & Daniel Volland
   i. Anna updated the body on the recent Municipal Elections and noted new Assembly members with some familiar faces in new positions.
   ii. Additionally, Assembly Vice-Chair Daniel Volland reported the Assembly passed an ordinance allowing firefighters to seek a second medical opinion for training program requirements and the Assembly has considered but did not act on adding veteran preference for municipal contracts yet. Anna noted the upcoming budget decisions that will need to be made for FY2027, along with commenting briefly on the 10-Year Targeted Review of the Comprehensive Plan.
c. **School Board –** Not Present
d. **Planning Department –** Paul Hatcher
   i. Paul provided updates on recent zoning changes, including new setback requirements for R6 and CER6 districts, and the implementation of short-term rental regulations.

II. Information Topic – CIP / CASA, Chelsea Ward-Waller & John Weddleton

a. John presented the Chugach State Park Access Service Area (CASA), a new service area created to fund access improvements to parks and trails in Upper Hillside through bonds and tax levies. He explained that the committee has developed a prioritized CIP list and requested community council feedback within two weeks of the June 1st deadline.
b. Chelsea reminded attendees about the separate CIP survey for general capital projects, which also has a June 1st deadline, and offered to work with councils who need additional time.

III. Comment Period:

IV. Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 7:59 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Alison Rambo.

FCC Chair

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FCC Secretary

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