

Trapper Creek Community Council

Minutes

August 20th 2026

1. Call to order 6:37pm
2. Pledge of allegiance
3. Determination of quorum, yes, 6 members present
4. Board members in attendance: Mike Volin, Stephen Strong Jr., Dave Rittenburg, Tom Amalfitano, Jessica Guthert, and Jason Kresge.
5. Others in attendance: Peter Bauer and Sandra Loomis. Pete Ballard, George Rauscher, and Paul Clark via telephone.
6. Approval of August agenda
7. Minutes of July regular meeting read. Jason motions in acceptance, Tom 2nds. Motion accepted.
8. Borough report: none
9. Treasurer report: Bottom line is \$8105.26. Dave motions, Jason 2nds. Motion accepted.
10. Community report:
 - A. Water-none
 - B. Volunteer Fire Department-none
 - C. CERT- nothing to report. Reminder of training in October. Fliers posted on Facebook and the Post Office.
 - D. Youth Council-none
11. Current mail/correspondence: Email to council- Deadline for public comments for AIDEA property in Houston extended to September 14th 2026 at 5pm.
12. Public Forum:

Sandra Loomis, candidate for House district 30, talks about life history, work background, and involvement in the community. Expresses concern for education funding and the current legislation.

Peter Bauer, candidate for Senate District O, also shares his life and work history. Campaigning with Sandra Loomis. Council received cards and fliers with their contact information. Will be posted on council website.

Paul Clark, long range planner with MATSU Valley, shared a presentation of the watershed initiative. Presentation available on borough website through January of 2027.

George Rauscher, current Senator for district O, talks about the takeaway from the joint house and senate meeting held in Anchorage. Shortage of natural gas in the rail belt. Possibility of borrowing from MEA. Discusses previous and upcoming bills.

Main takeaway of the evening is the concern of data centers in Alaska.