

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, September 10, 2014, at Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, Wasilla, Alaska. Co-Chairman Joan Matthews called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

Ms. Mary Champine, Seat A
Ms. Joan Matthews, Seat D
Ms. Randy Robinson, Seat E

Commissioners Dave Tuttle and Debbie Martin were excused.

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Joan Klapperich, Director of Recreation and Cultural Services
Ms. Tammy Ostrom, Menard Center Secretary
Mr. Steven Murray, Facility Supervisor & Event Coordinator

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Matthews led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Co-Chair Matthews asked if there were any changes to the agenda.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Champine made a motion to add Reserved signs at Park Pavilions under New Business.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Co-Chair Matthews asked if there were any changes to the August 13, 2014 minutes.

GENERAL CONSENT: The minutes were approved as presented without objection.

VI. PUBLIC HEARING (Three minutes per person.)

No public hearing was held.

VII. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Loren Means: spoke regarding the need for trails and maps of trails in the Wasilla area.

VIII. STAFF REPORTS / UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Joan Klapperich:

- Public Works is working on installing gas lines at Historic Park for additional heaters in town site buildings.
- Installed electrical conduit to last pavilion at Lake Lucille Park.
- Installed new entrance sign at cemetery last week.
- Repainted picnic tables.
- Water building phase 1 to be completed this week at the corner of Nelson & Weber; includes building foundation and paving. Phase 2 building construction to begin that will house piping for dispensing water to water haulers.
- City Council meeting regarding ATV's and off road vehicles: Committee of the whole met to discuss current regulations in Wasilla Municipal code 10.12.
- Council Meeting: Mayor's suggestions for the Committee of the whole for off road vehicles; language and prepare ordinance to develop a task force.
- Menard Center now on Facebook.
- Learn to Skate Program started at the Menard Center September 6th.
- Looking at developing a competitive edge program of Learn to play Hockey at the Menard Center.
- Gearing up for the season at the Menard Center with youth, adult soccer leagues and recreation hockey leagues starting in October.
- Fall Home Show cancelled at the Menard; looking for other events.
- Discussion regarding attending the Alaska Recreation and Parks Association annual conference in Fairbanks September 24th & 25th.

Steven Murray:

- Discussed the benefits of attending the Alaska Recreation and Parks Association annual conference in Fairbanks.
- Discussed the benefits of becoming a board member of Alaska Recreation and Parks Association.

MOTION: Commissioner Champine made a motion to approve Ms. Klapperich and Mr. Murray to attend the Alaska Recreation and Parks Association conference in Fairbanks and pay for the fees out of the Parks and Recreation

and Menard Center budget, and pay for the annual membership fee for National Recreation and Park Association/Alaska Recreation and Parks Association.

SECOND: Commissioner Robinson second the motion.

VOTE: All Commissioners were in favor.

IX. ON GOING PROJECTS

A. Volunteer Program:

- Will post e-notifications through the City web site for community volunteer opportunities.

X. ON GOING PROJECTS-SEASONAL

A. Clean up Days:

- Commissioner Shampine will call for clean up day's banner pricing.

B. Special Events:

- Dollar Dip days- Joan will look at what the cost will be for Parks and Recreation to sponsor Dollar Dip days at the Wasilla Pool and possibly sponsoring a fun skating day at the Menard Center.
- Met with Michael from Active Soles regarding a Monday night free run at the Menard Center Track from 6-7pm. Working on details for possible sponsorship or collaboration.
- Spoke with Robin Rice regarding planning a spring fun run at the Menard Center to raise funds for trails at the Menard.

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Skate Board Park: Commission commented on graffiti at the skate board park. Ms. Klapperich will talk with Archie regarding the graffiti.

B. Reserved signs for Pavilions: Commissioner Shampine suggested putting up a plexi glass holder to hang up reserved signs for the pavilions at Wonderland Park instead of stapling the paper to the wood at the park and add information on how to reserve at pavilion at the park.

XIII. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

XIV. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Commissioner Robinson:

- Friends of the Library are having used book sale September 19th-23rd.

Commissioner Matthews:

- Will talk with Archie about the graffiti on the small train at Wonderland Park.

ADJOURNMENT

Co-Chairman Matthews adjourned meeting at 7:38pm and noted that the next meeting is scheduled for October 8, 2014, 6:00pm at Menard Sports Center.

JOAN MATTHEWS, Co-Chair

David L. Tuttle

ATTEST:

Jean Kupperich

JAMMY OSTROM, Commission Secretary

Director Recreation & Cultural Services

Approved: October 8, 2014.