

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, October 8, 2014, at Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, Wasilla, Alaska. Chairman Dave Tuttle 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
Mr. Dave Tuttle, Seat B
Ms. Debbie Martin, Seat C
Ms. Randy Robinson, Seat E

Commissioners Joan Matthews were excused.

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Joan Klapperich, Director of Recreation and Cultural Services

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Tuttle led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Tuttle asked if there were any changes to the agenda.

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Tuttle asked if there were any changes to the September 10, 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

VIII. STAFF REPORTS / UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Joan Klapperich:

- Contacted Tim Pickard with Wasilla Pool regarding prices for renting the pool. \$175.00 per hour to rent the pool or \$262.50 for an hour and a half. Joan will call Tim to verify the hour and a half rate and the capacity of participants.
- Would like to have run with the Reindeer in Wasilla; will get more information on this.
- Reported on the Alaska Recreation and Parks Association Conference in Fairbanks.
- Commented on organizing Friends of the Menard Center organization.
- Tuesday Night Fights started October 7th at the Menard Center.
- Discussing the possibility of having a campfire program at the Menard Center.
- Thanksgiving adult hockey tournament at the Menard Center.
- Learn to Skate program doing well at the Menard Center.
- Upcoming events at the Menard Center: Rotary Uncorked October 11th, Wedding October 25th, Mat-Su Market Place November 8 & 9.
- Closing Park restrooms for the winter months.
- Asked the Commissions opinion on hosting the 2016 or 2017 Alaska Recreation and Parks Association Conference in Wasilla.
- Commented on a grant available from the Land and Water Conservation Fund. Commissioner Tuttle suggested talking with Archie regarding the grant and the possibility of seeking help writing the grant.

IX. ON GOING PROJECTS

X. ON GOING PROJECTS-SEASONAL

A. Clean up Days:

- Commissioner Shampine called regarding clean-up day banner pricing:
- Ink Spot \$35.00 per linear foot, L&B printing 180.00-192.00 for 3x8 sign, A-1 Signs 5.00 sq. foot.
- Suggested web address or Facebook page on banner so that do not have to post dates on the banners every year.

A. Special Events:

- Commission will host a Family fun day at the Menard Center December 29th 2014 from 1:30pm-3:30pm; free ice skating and family activities on the turf court.

- Joan will check with National Guard to see if they would be available on December 29th to bring their inflatables for the Family fun day.
- Joan will email Commissioner Martin the contact information for the church group who volunteered for the 4th of July activities.
- Decided to arrange a Family fun free swim day at Wasilla Pool during spring break.

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XII. NEW BUSINESS

XIII. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

XIV. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Commissioner Martin:

- Asked if Joan could check on what the price would be for a 4 day swim lesson at Wasilla Pool; and
- Asked for more information on the turf court material regarding cancer concerns.

Commissioner Tuttle:

- Suggested asking Mat-Su Health Foundation if they would be interested in helping with cost of renting the Wasilla Pool for a free swim day; and
- Add an action item for July or August 2015: Costume fun run and Halloween festival at the Menard Center; and
- Glad to be back.

Commissioner Shampine:

- Commented that the park pavilions are underutilized at the City parks.
- Suggested that the Parks and Recreation Commission purchase small flashlights and reflectors for kids in the Valley who wait at bus stops.

Commissioner Robinson:

- Applying for the ATV task force and Centennial Community Garden task force.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 7:45pm and noted that the next meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2014, 6:00pm at Menard Sports Center.



DAVE TUTTLE, Chair

ATTEST:



TAMMY OSTROM, Commission Secretary

Approved: November 12, 2014.