

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, November 12, 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 was excused.

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Joan Klapperich, Director of Recreation and Cultural Services
Mr. Bert L Cottle, City of Wasilla Mayor
Ms. Lyn Carden, Deputy Administrator
Mr. Archie Giddings, Public Works Director
Ms. Tammy Ostrom, Menard Center Secretary

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.

AMENDMENT: Mayor Cottle asked to move New Business after Persons to be Heard. All Commissioners were in favor.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Tuttle asked if there were any changes to the October 8, 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

Mayor Bert Cottle:

- Introduced new Deputy Administrator to the City of Wasilla, Lyn Carden.
- Should know the decision of the Cotton Wood Creek land by June 2015.

Mr. Giddings:

- Looking at bids for weed eater for Lake Lucile.
- Installed a new dock and swim ladder at Newcomb Park this summer.
- Discussed the status of the new Library.
- Discussed the availability of the two City Greenhouses.

Ms. Carden:

- Commented on a grant from the Alaska State Fair for flowers.

Ms. Klapperich:

- Mat-Su Holiday Market Place a success with 5000 in attendance.
- Monday Night Learn to Skate session successful with 23 students registered for first class.
- High school hockey in full swing with practices and games.
- Drum Sticks and Hockey Sticks Adult Hockey Tournament and Youth Soccer Tournament Thanksgiving weekend at the Menard.
- Wasilla Rotary Wine & Cheese tasting event a success.
- Christmas Friendship Dinner Committee decorated the Menard Center for Christmas.
- Saturday November 15th from 6:30-9pm, Community Night at the Menard Center Turf Court.
- Alaska SCTP Gun Show December 6th & 7th at the Menard Center.
- Celtic Christmas Ice show December 13th from 12-2pm. Santa Clause will be in attendance.
- December 6th Tree Lighting Ceremony 1-4pm.
- Stroller Skate along with Adult Learn to Skate every Thursday from 11-11:45am at the Menard Center.
- Adult Pick up Soccer every Wednesday on the Turf Court from 7-9pm at the Menard Center.

IX. ON GOING PROJECTS

X. ON GOING PROJECTS-SEASONAL

A. Clean up Days:

- Commissioner Shampine called regarding a 3x7 clean up day's banner from Sign King; cost \$168.00.

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.
- Hatchers Pass Association will help with the kid's activities for the event.

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Lake Lucile future improvements: first phase of the project install water, sewer and utilities at Lake Lucile Park. Working on improvements at Dog Park at Lake Lucile Park.

XIII. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

XIV. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Commissioner Martin:

- Asked about the rusting white fencing along the Parks Highway; and
- Suggested using the Northern Lights Coupon Book for the Menard Center; and
- Suggested contacting an OBGYN or Pediatricians office regarding sponsoring track usage at the Menard Center.

Commissioner Tuttle:

- Asked about the status of ATV city code; and
- Congratulated Mayor Bert Cottle on his Mayoral win; and
- Asked to see a copy of old Capital Improvement Plan List; and
- Suggested holding a Slack Key Festival at the Menard Center.

Commissioner Shampine:


- Commented on moving the City Greenhouses to Iditapark or planting trees on the land behind the bank at Iditapark; and
- Suggested using some volunteers from Burchell High School for City of Menard Center events.

Commissioner Robinson:

- Asked if the City Greenhouses were able to be moved; and
- Excited to see the City moving forward again.


ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 7:48pm and noted that the next meeting is scheduled for December 10, 2014, 6:00pm at Menard Sports Center.



DAVE TUTTLE, Chair

ATTEST:



TAMMY OSTROM, Commission Secretary

Approved: December 10, 2014.