

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, August 12, 2015, at Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, Wasilla, Alaska. Chairman Dave Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

Mr. Dave Tuttle, Seat B  
Ms. Debbie Martin, Seat C  
Ms. Joan Matthews, Seat D  
Ms. Randy Robinson, Seat E

Commissioner Mary Shampine was absent.

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Joan Klapperich, Director of Recreation and Cultural Services  
Ms. Lyn Carden, Deputy Administrator  
Ms. Tammy Ostrom, Menard Center Secretary

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Robinson 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 July 8, 2015 minutes.

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

**VI. STAFF REPORTS**

Ms. Joan Klapperich:

- Pedersen Park still in the development stage.
- October Harvest Fest would have to be done by a non-profit organization; City does not have the man power to host such a large event.
- The second Summer Learn to Skate class session started August 4<sup>th</sup> with a total of 7 students.
- Last day of Yoga in the Park was August 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Resolution 15-02: a resolution of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission supporting the development of Bocce Ball Courts at Iditapark passed at the Planning Commission meeting on August 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Mechanical issues with the compressors at the Menard Center- in the process of installing ice again and should be complete by Monday August 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Started Pond Hockey on Friday August 17<sup>th</sup> at the Menard Center: every Monday-Friday 3:00-4:30pm.
- Harvesting Equipment update: completion of the harvest equipment is close! The trailer and shore conveyor are both complete and the harvester is not too far behind and should be finished by late next week. The next task at hand is to figure out the freight/delivery situation.
- Upcoming events at the Menard Center: Veterans Town Hall meeting Thursday August 13<sup>th</sup> 5-6pm, Senate Committee on Energy Hearing Monday August 17<sup>th</sup> 2:30-5pm.
- Power to the pavilion at soccer fields at Lake Lucile Park is completed.
- Playground equipment renovation will be completed in the next 2 weeks at Lake Lucile Park.
- Trash cans near BMX Skate Park at Wonderland were painted.
- More trash cans were distributed at all City parks.

## **VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3-minutes per person)**

## **VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **A. Committee of the Whole**

MOTION: Commissioner Matthews moved to enter into Committee of the Whole for the discussion of Unfinished Business.

GENERAL CONSENT: No objection noted.

Parks Master Plan:

Newcomb & Carter Park:

- Commissioner Martin suggested a barrier or divider inside the restrooms of Newcomb and Carter Park.

- Commissioner Matthews relayed a message from the community regarding Newcomb Park needing more restrooms and more cleaning maintenance.
- Commissioner Tuttle suggested developing a land stewardship program at Valley schools.
- Commissioner Tuttle suggested a public service announcement under the Mayor's minute addressing keeping City parks clean and taking care of them.
- Ms. Klapperich suggested a City wide awareness campaign titled "Proud of where we live."
- Check on the possibilities of the Parks and Recreation Commission having their own facebook page.
- Commissioner Tuttle will contact Michelle at My House regarding a volunteer to help with Parks and Recreation facebook page.
- Suggested posting on the Menard Center facebook page regarding the slogan "proud of where we live."

Volunteer Program:

- Commissioner Robinson will contact the volunteers on the volunteer list to see if they are still interested in volunteering.

100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the City of Wasilla:

- Appointments to the Committee will be made on August 24<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Commissioner Matthews suggested contacting Country Legends radio station 100.9 regarding the Anniversary.

The Parks and Recreation Commission exited Committee of the Whole.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

**X. AUDIENCE COMMENTS (3-minutes per person)**

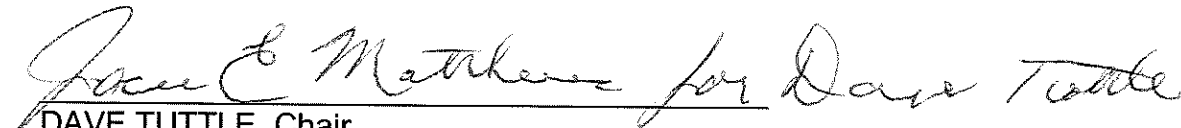
**XI. STAFF AND COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Commissioner Tuttle:

- Henrietta Nugent's celebration of life is Thursday August 13<sup>th</sup>; and
- Will not be able to attend the September 9<sup>th</sup> Parks and Recreation Meeting.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 7:02pm and noted that the next meeting is scheduled for September 9, 2015, 6:00pm at Menard Center.

  
 DAVE TUTTLE, Chair

ATTEST:

  
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TAMMY OSTROM, Commission Secretary

Approved: September 9, 2015.