

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Dave Tuttle, Chair
Mary Shampine
Joan Matthews
Sarah Sanderlin
Brandon Wall

WASILLA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

6 P.M.

December 10, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held Wednesday, December 10, 2008 at the Wasilla Multi-Use Sports Complex. Chairman Dave Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:15 p. m.

2. ROLL CALL; DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

Dave Tuttle, Mary Shampine, Joan Matthews, and Brandon Wall.
Commissioner Sarah Sanderlin was absent.

Staff in attendance:

Bruce Urban, Recreational & Cultural Services Manager
Jim Holycross, City Planner
Tedman Allen, Recreation Coordinator

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Joan Matthews led the Pledge of Allegiance

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved with an amendment to add Resolution 08-05 under New Business and to add Jim Holycross under staff report. No objection was raised.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for Parks & Recreation Commission meeting on November 12, 2008 were approved as presented. No objection was raised.

6. PUBLIC HEARING (Three minutes per person.)
No public hearing was held.

7. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

8. STAFF REPORTS / UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Jim Holycross-Resolution No 08-05 looking for support from the Parks and Recreation Commission to adopt Conservation Subdivision Design Code Provisions. Commissioner Joan Matthews made a motion to pass Resolution 08-

05 and send forward. Commissioner Mary Shampine second the motion. All Commissioners were in favor.

Bruce Urban-Thanksgiving weekend the Sports Complex had an 8 team hockey tournament and a 16 team soccer tournament. Tree lighting celebration went well with 300+ in attendance. Gingerbread contest at the Museum had 26 entries.

Tedman Allen- new program at the Sports Complex for RC modeler airplanes that are 16oz or less and electric only. Flight night will be once a week for a couple of hours for customers to come out and fly their planes on the turf court area.

Bruce-currently working on the facility use permit for the kitchen which should be completed by the end of January.

Wal-Mart generously donated a 14 foot decorated Christmas Tree to the Sports Complex.

Dan Kennedy will possibly be coming to the next Park and Recreation meeting in January to ask for support in building a sports dome in the Valley.

The Sports Complex was featured in Serving the American Rinks Magazine that goes to many other ice rinks around the country.

Brandon Wall has been appointed to the Planning Commission and Mary K Randy-Robinson was appointed to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Joan Matthews was re-appointed on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

9. ON GOING PROJECTS

Discussion on Public Lands within City Limits- no update.

4th of July Events- Commissioner Joan Matthews made a motion that the theme for the 4th of July Parade be Statehood. Commissioner Mary Shampine second the motion. All Commissioners were in favor.

Parks Master Plan- on CIP list.

Dave Tuttle will attend the next City Council Meeting on January 12, 2009.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Statehood Celebration- fireworks tentative for January 3rd, might not have a fireworks technician that night. Commissioner Joan Matthews stated that Susitna Valley American Legion Family #35 will sponsor the cups, silverware, napkins, hot chocolate, coffee and cookies. Bruce spoke with Nancy Hall who is checking to see if the Red Cross Mobile is available to help with the serving. Dan Kander's Boy Scout Troop 300 will be serving the Statehood soup. Colleen Sullivan-Leonard from the Governor's office has items that can be handed out at the celebration. Bruce will be out of town from December 24th thru January 6th, Tedman will be the point of contact. Commissioner Mary Shampine talked with the youth pastors at the Wasilla Assembly of God who would like to help with the

celebration. Commissioner Dave Tuttle will contact Henry from Matanuska Music to be a possible MC for the statehood celebration. Bruce will check with Archie to see if picnic tables can be moved over to the celebration area. Look into possibly playing some music for the celebration. Tedman will contact the school district for a possible phone announcement about the celebration. Bruce will place an ad for the celebration in the Frontiersman and the Anchorage Daily News with a provision if bad weather occurs event will take place the following weekend.

11. NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2009 Meeting Dates- change November 11, 2009 Park and Recreation Meeting to November 18, 2009. This is due to November 11th being Veteran's Day which is a City Holiday. All Commissioners were in favor.

- B. Resolution 08-04-Requesting an increase in police officer presence and patrols in Wasilla City Parks in an effort to reduce vandalism and other crimes. A motion was made to put Resolution 08-04 on the table for discussion by Commissioner Brandon Wall. Commissioner Joan Matthews second the motion. Commissioner Joan Matthews made a motion to remove item #2 That City Clerk forward a copy of resolution, since Police chief receives this information not necessary to put in a resolution. Commissioner Brandon Wall second the motion. All Commissioners in favor. Commissioner Joan Matthews made a motion to re-phrase item #3 Mayor Verne Rupright and/or Chief Long respond to Parks and Recreation Commission, re-phrase to Commission formally requests a response as to the feasibility of Resolution 08-04. Commissioner Brandon Wall made a motion to adopt Resolution 08-04 as amended. Commissioner Joan Matthews second the motion. All Commissioners were in favor.

12. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

13. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS


Bruce- Happy Holidays to everyone.

Brandon- thanked everyone on Commission and staff for a job well done.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Dave Tuttle adjourned meeting at 7:35 pm.

NEXT MEETING DATE: January 14, 2008 at Multi-Use Sports Complex.



Dave Tuttle, Chair

ATTEST: Tammy Ostrom
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COMMISSION SECRETARY

Adopted By the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission on 1/14, 2008