

WASILLA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 13, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, April 13, 2016, at Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, Wasilla, Alaska. Chairman Dave Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:01 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. Joan Matthews, Seat D

Commissioner Robinson was excused.

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Lyn Carden, Deputy Administrator
Mr. Lynn Follett, Parks
Ms. Tammy Ostrom, Menard Center Secretary

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Martin made a motion to move the 100th Anniversary agenda after the Approval of the Minutes.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Tuttle asked if there were any changes to the March 9, 2016 minutes.

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

VI. STAFF REPORTS

Ms. Tammy Ostrom:

- Arrangements made with Mat-Su Borough for Clean up Days Dumpster.
- Ad in the People's Paper for Clean up Days will be April 15th.
- Bike Rodeo is May 7th at the Menard Center.
- Parks report: Summer temp crews start next week. Lake Lucile Campground to open May 1st with camp host. Completed dock expansion in March at Lake Lucile Campground. Park restrooms at Newcomb, Carter, and Nunley to open by April 15th.
- Music in the Park (rename perhaps: The Pass in the Park): 4 Saturday's in July were picked to provide music and entertainment by the Hatcher Pass Radio station depending Council appropriating money for the program.
- Amphitheater at Iditapark is reserved June 25th for LT Smooth.
- Request to MTA for music sponsorship of LT Smooth Concert/Dinner June 24th and June 25th at the Menard for Jam session for kick off of Wasilla Summerfest.
- Mat-Su Outdoorsmen Show a success: doubled in size on both the turf and main arena with 7203 in attendance, Mat-Su Home Builders Home Show a success with an estimated 6144 in attendance.
- Upcoming events at the Menard Center: Our Lady of the Valley Catholic School Banquet April 16, Alaska State Roller Derby Tournament April 22-23, Alaska American Legion State Conference April 21-23, AK USA Wrestling Tournament April 28-30, Bike Rodeo May 7th, Boom Town Derby Dames Roller Derby May 7th, MSBSD High School Graduations May 9-13th, Lip gloss and Leadership Women in Business Summit May 21, Rodeo May 28-30.

Lynn Follett:

- Lake Lucile Park lost its motorized trail and three campsites due to development in area.
- Toilets vandalized at American Legion Ballfields.
- Newcomb Park restrooms available by Friday.
- Rented Forestry Mulcher for Maureen McCombs Trail and Lake Lucile Park.
- Using the weed harvester on Lake Lucile soon.

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.

Public Lands within City Limits:

- A. Commission asked to give input on the naming of the park near Cottonwood Creek.

MOTION: Commissioner Matthews made a motion to name the Park "Cottonwood Creek Park".

SECOND: Commissioner Martin second the motion.

VOTE: All Commissioners were in favor.

MOTION: Commissioner Matthews made a motion to name the bridge at the new park after Sunrise Rotary.

SECOND: Commissioner Shampine second the motion.

VOTE: All Commissioners were in favor.

Clean up Days:

- Ms. Klapperich will transport grill, propane bottle, and utensils to picnic.
- Ms. Klapperich will pick up hot dogs, buns, condiments, napkins, drinks, and watermelon (plan on 75 people).
- Commissioner Matthews will make cookies for the event.
- Commissioner Shampine will purchase prizes and gift cards.
- Banners will be taken in to have dates changed and then delivered to Keith for set up around town.
- Donations from Dave Tuttle Just Imagine Toys, and the Bike Shop.
- Need more tickets, safety vest and gloves for volunteers, extra box of clean up bags at the dumpster, and extra Clean up Days flyers.
- Commissioner Martin will contact My House for dumpster volunteers.
- Commissioner Robinson can volunteer for dumpster duty Tuesday-Friday 4-7pm, Commissioner Shampine Monday & Wednesday 12-2pm, Commissioner Tuttle Monday 2-4pm, and Commissioner Matthews Monday 4-7pm.

MOTION: Commissioner Matthews made a motion to use \$400.00 of the Clean up Days money to purchase visa gift cards.

SECOND: Commissioner Shampine second the motion.

VOTE: All Commissioners were in favor.

100th Anniversary of the City of Wasilla:

- Centennial Dance Friday night January 6th 2017 at the Menard Center.

- Lyn Carden discussed line items that needed approval for the Centennial Celebration: 1. Approve spending of \$1500 of Centennial funds for an artist award for the Centennial Print completion.
2. Approve up to \$1000 for development and production of Centennial logo.
3. Approve to spend \$2000 for Centennial App.

MOTION: Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve the three line items for the Centennial Celebration.

SECOND: Commissioner Matthews second the motion.

VOTE: All Commissioners were in favor.

Other Special Events:

- Why Not Tri Sponsorship

MOTION: Commissioner Matthews made a motion for the Parks and Recreation Department to sponsor Why Not Tri Triathlon.

SECOND: Commissioner Martin second the motion.

VOTE: All Commissioners were in favor.

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:

- Suggested signage regarding picking up after your pets at the parks and posting a note on Facebook to remind the community to help keep our parks clean; and
- Asked if Joan could contact Catherine Esary with the Mat-Su School District to see if students would be interested in helping with cleaning the parks and Dog Park.

Commissioner Shampine:

- Commented on the concrete/rebar slabs at Iditapark that need to be removed or sectioned off- safety issue; and
- Commented on the plywood hanging from the ceiling at the new amphitheater at Iditapark; and
- Suggested dog clean up bags by the Honor Garden on Nelson Ave. side.

Commissioner Matthews:

- Commented that it is nice to see young toddlers at Wonderland Park.

Commissioner Martin:

- Asked if the parks will have Park Rangers this year

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 7:38pm and noted that the next meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2016, 6:00pm at Menard Center.



DAVE TUTTLE, Chair

ATTEST:


TAMMY OSTROM, Commission Secretary

Approved: May 11, 2016.