I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, November 9, 2016, at Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, Wasilla, Alaska. Chairman Dave Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:04p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

Ms. Mary Shampine, Seat A

Mr. Dave Tuttle, Seat B

Ms. Debbie Martin, Seat C

Ms. Randy Robinson, Seat E

Commissioner Joan Matthews was absent

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Joan Klapperich, Director of Recreation and Cultural Services

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 October 12, 2016 minutes.

GENERAL CONSENT:

The minutes were approved as presented without objection.

VI. STAFF REPORTS

Ms. Joan Klapperich:

- Thank you Letter completed and sent to the French interns.
- Suggestion passed along regarding parks signs off the highways.

- Amendment is not needed for the Parks Master Plan regarding the Menard Center it is clarified in the city ordinance, and does not affect the Master Plan as an open space or as an entity of the City of Wasilla.
- Parks maintenance is working on new bridge at the Garden of Reflection.
- Pumpkin Patch a big hit with approximately 2000 in attendance, Parks and Recreation Halloween Spooktacular a success with an estimated attendance of 150.
- Upcoming events at the Menard Center: MVSC adult soccer league Christmas soccer tournament November 27th, Lancer Smith Wrestling Tournament November 17-19, Frontline Mission Church Thanksgiving Dinner November 24th, Drumsticks & Hockey Sticks Adult Hockey Tournament November 25-27, Boom Town Roller Derby November 26th.
- Menard Center will be closed until 4pm for Veterans Day November 11th.
- Parks and Recreation will host the Classic Christmas on Ice Learn to Skate program December 10th 12-3pm with free public skate to follow. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be at the Menard Center from 10:30am-12pm on the 10th handing out candy canes, crayons, and color books to the kids.
- Tree Lighting Ceremony at the old town historic site December 3rd.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3-minutes per person)

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Committee of the Whole

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

GENERAL CONSENT: No objection noted.

Public Lands within City Limits:

- Suggested contacting Department of Fish and Game regarding grated walkways for Cottonwood Creek. Joan will talk with Archie regarding the project.
- Asked what happened to the tunnel crossing proposal from DOT for Cottonwood Creek.
- Asked about the piece of land that was donated by First National Bank.

100th Anniversary of the City of Wasilla:

- Centennial Committee invited the Parks and Recreation Commission to be the judges for the Bake off contests January 7th.
- Commission asked the rules for the bake off.

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 Martin:

- Enjoyed the Halloween Spooktacular event at the Menard Center and hope that it will continue for future years; and
- December 14, 2016 will be her last Parks and Recreation Meeting, expecting a child in May.

Commissioner Shampine:

- Thanked Commissioner Martin for her service to the Parks and Recreation Department; and
- Renewed her appointment to the Parks and Recreation Department.

Commissioner Tuttle:

 Thanked Commissioner Martin for her service to the Parks and Recreation Department.

Commissioner Robinson:

- Suggested checking with Linda Brandon State Farm regarding free color books for the Santa event at the Menard Center December 10th; and
- Excited for upcoming events; and
- Thanked Joan and Tammy for their hard work; and
- Thanked Commissioner Martin for her service to the Parks and Recreation Department.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 6:40pm and noted that the next meeting is scheduled for December 14, 2016, 6:00pm at Menard Center.

DAVE TUTTLE Chair

ATTEST:

TAMMY OSTROM, Commission Secretary

Approved: December 14, 2016.