

WASILLA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 12, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, April 12, 2017, at Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, Wasilla, Alaska. Chairman Dave Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

Ms. Mary Shampine, Seat A
Mr. Dave Tuttle, Seat B
Mr. Lee Mitchell, Seat D
Ms. Randy Robinson, Seat E

Commissioner Michelle Hinds was excused.

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Tammy Ostrom, Menard Center Secretary

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Mitchell 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.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Tuttle asked if there were any changes to the March 8, 2017 minutes.

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

VII. STAFF REPORTS

Ms. Tammy Ostrom:

- Ice out at the Menard Center for all spring events: Outdoorsman Show, Home Show.

- Upcoming April events at the Menard Center: King's Chapel Easter Services & Egg Hunt April 16th, Woman's Affair April 22,23, Tuesday Night Fights Thrilla in Wasilla April 25, USA State Wrestling Tournament April 26-29.
- May Events at the Menard Center: State Roller Derby May 5-7, Walk MS May 6, High School Graduations May 8-12, Dash and Dine run May 13th, Mat-Su Reginal Hospital Bike Rodeo May 13, Merle Haggard Tribute May 19th, and working on an outdoor market at the Menard on weekends.
- Successful baseball and softball clinic on April 6th with over 77 local athletes participating in the camp.
- Pass at the Park will be on Friday nights 6pm at Iditapark; bands are booked and food wagons have been contacted.
- A Resolution will be put forth to City Council meeting for April 24th by the Matsu Food Bank to support the lease of half an acre on Menard Center grounds to construct and operate a warehouse for emergency food supplies.
- Parks Maintenance per Archie: working on getting a material list together to build a pavilion at Nunley Park.
- Pile driving board walk extension at Lake Lucile Park.
- Looking to open parks by May 15th.
- Looking for a camp host for Lake Lucile Park.
- Matsu Borough bond funding; checking on status of funding for Menard Center trail.
- Two inmates from Goose Creek Correctional Center will work with park maintenance this season; especially brush cutting at the Menard Center.
- Lake Lucile Park will have 16 electrical camp site hook ups this year with a dump station to be completed in the fall.
- Recommendations were made in the Bumpus Soccer Fields expansion project for 2 new fields to be installed by Wasilla Youth Soccer Association with grant funding.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3-minutes per person)

Sports-Plex Expansion Project: Lisa Catlett Wasilla Youth Soccer, Andre Brown Wasilla Youth Baseball, Susan Brunner, Christie Wyzykowski Mat-Su Tennis Association, Dan Kennedy Mat-Su Sea hawkers.

- Presentation asking for a resolution of support for the Sports-Plex Expansion Project.

MOTION: Commissioner Mitchell made a motion to draft a Resolution of support for the Mat-Su Sports-Plex project.

SECOND: Commissioner Robinson second the motion.

VOTE: All Commissioners were in favor.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Committee of the Whole

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

GENERAL CONSENT: No objection noted.

Clean up Days:

- Banners dropped off to sign company for date changes.
- Advertising in the People's Paper, and Matsu Valley Frontiersman.
- Press release will be prepared for radio stations, etc.
- Waiting on Borough for dumpster contract.
- Volunteers needed for dumpster sit.
- Commission decided not to purchase Clean up Days volunteer tee shirts.
- Commission suggested purchasing 100 hot dogs and buns for the picnic.
- Commissioner Tuttle, Robinson, and Shampine will help with the picnic on Saturday May 6th.
- Joan will purchase supplies for picnic; bring grill and propane to event.
- Commissioner Shampine will call Joan Matthews regarding volunteering for dumpster sit.
- Commissioner Robinson will contact the Bike Shop regarding donations.
- Commissioner Shampine will purchase a flat of flowers for planting activities at the picnic.
- Suggested bringing the cotton candy machine.
- Suggested advertising for Clean up Days on Facebook.
- Suggested posting Clean up Days ad to "What to do in Matsu".

The Parks and Recreation Commission exited Committee of the Whole.

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. AUDIENCE COMMENTS (3-minutes per person)

XII. STAFF AND COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Tuttle:

- LT Smooth says hello to everyone; would like to come back to Alaska for another concert.

Commissioner Shampine:

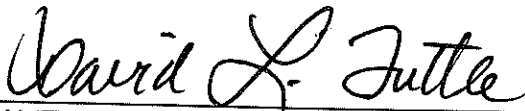
- Glad to see snow melting; already large user groups at Iditapark; and
- Asked if Pass at the Park was going to be held at the amphitheater.

Commissioner Robinson:

- Will the parks have Park Rangers this year?

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 7:35pm and noted that the next meeting is scheduled for May 10, 2017, 6:00pm at Menard Center.



DAVE TUTTLE, Chair

ATTEST:



TAMMY OSTROM, Commission Secretary

Approved: May 12, 2017.