

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, May 10, 2017, at Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, Wasilla, Alaska. Chairman Dave Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

Ms. Mary Champine, Seat A
Mr. Dave Tuttle, Seat B
Ms. Randy Robinson, Seat E

Commissioner Michelle Hinds was absent, Commissioner Lee Mitchell was excused.

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Joan Klapperich, Director of Recreation 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.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Tuttle asked if there were any changes to the April 12, 2017 minutes.

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

VII. STAFF REPORTS

Ms. Klapperich:

- April 16th successful Easter Egg Hunt and Services put on by King's Chapel.

- April 21-23 First annual Women's Affair show put on by KO Productions 4000 in attendance.
- April 22 Our lady of Valley Catholic School banquet.
- April 25 Thrilla in Wasilla Tuesday Night Fights final show for the season.
- April 26-29 Alaska USA Wrestling Tournament with 23,000 people in attendance and over 2000 participants.
- City of Wasilla Clean up Days May 1-6 a success with a picnic on Saturday May 6th for the volunteers.
- State Roller Derby May 5-7 in the arena; teams from around the state competed in the tournament.
- Walk MS was on Saturday May 6th at the Menard Center using the pedestrian path.
- Menard Center hosting 7 Mat-Su Borough High School graduations May 8-12th.
- Annual Bike Rodeo Saturday May 13th from 10am-12pm at the Menard Center.
- Merle Haggard Tribute featuring Ben and Noel Haggard will be Friday May 19th at 8pm.
- Summer Learn to Skate program starting Tuesday August 1st from 3-3:45pm for 2 weeks.
- Parks: restroom operational except for Nunley Park water still frozen. Working on clearing land to build a pavilion at Nunley Park.
- Parks Maintenance working on Centennial flower bed.
- Two Park Rangers will be brought on for the parks this summer.
- Working on Lake Lucile Park boardwalk viewing area this week, and also a camp host.
- Pass at the park June 9,16,23,30 from 6-9pm.
- Wasilla Arbor Days will be May 15th at 10:30am with planting to take place in Iditapark behind the sand volleyball courts.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3-minutes per person)

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.

Parks Master Plan:

- Commission Robinson asked on the status of the football fields located by Bumpus.

- Commission asked to see a copy of the original Parks Master Plan for the Menard Center.

Clean up Days:

- Will submit a thank you letter for Clean up Days to the Frontiersman.
- Suggested changing dumpster hours for next year's event to 4-7pm.
- Suggested getting free coupons for the adults who pick up trash and drop off.
- Suggested writing a thank you letter to Wasilla High Schools civic class for picking up trash during clean up days.
- Suggested checking with Public Works regarding the posting of reserved signs when the pavilions at City Parks are reserved.

100th Anniversary:

- Updated Commission on schedule of events.
- Centennial Tee shirt and hoodies on sale at the Museum in a couple of weeks.

Other Special Events:

- City will be taking over the 4th of July Parade.

The Parks and Recreation Commission exited Committee of the Whole.

X. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution 17-01: a resolution of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission supporting the development of the Sports-Plex expansion project located at the Menard Center.
 - Commission suggested a timeline for the project and how much land is needed. Joan will work with the Planning Department on the Resolution and bring forth to the June Parks and Recreation meeting.
- B. SDG Land Architecture & Environmental Solutions, Luanne Urfer:
 - Discussion of possible projects of City parks.
 - French interns coming again this summer to Wasilla.
 - Looking for a group or organization to start Wasilla grow project.

XI. AUDIENCE COMMENTS (3-minutes per person)

XII. STAFF AND COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Tuttle:

- Suggested working with Public Works Department to restore Maureen McCombs Equestrian Trail.

Commissioner Shampine:

- Thanked everyone for their help with Clean up Days, picnic went great; and

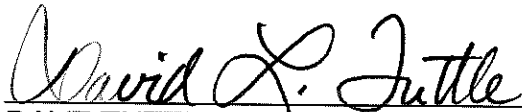
- Area of land behind Chevron has exposed rebar that needs cleaned up.

Lyn Carden:

- City Council approved purchase of old Iditarod School and land for future Public Safety Building.

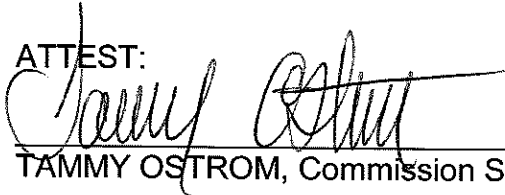
XII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 7:31pm and noted that the next meeting is scheduled for June 14, 2017, 6:00pm at Menard Center.



DAVE TUTTLE, Chair

ATTEST:



TAMMY OSTROM, Commission Secretary

Approved: June 14, 2017.