



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Dave Tuttle, Chair
Mary Shampine
Joan Matthews
Sarah Sanderlin
Randy Robinson

WASILLA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

6 P.M.

October 14, 2009

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held Wednesday, October 14, 2009 at the Menard Sports Center. Chairman Dave Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:03 p. m.

2. ROLL CALL; DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

Dave Tuttle, Joan Matthews, Mary Shampine, Sarah Sanderlin and Randy Robinson.

Staff in attendance:

Mayor Verne Rupright

James Hastings, Recreational & Cultural Services Manager

Tammy Ostrom, Sports Center Secretary

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Sarah Sanderlin led the Pledge of Allegiance

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented. No objection was raised.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for Parks & Recreation Commission meeting on September 9, 2009 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

Robin Rice- would like to see a triathlon held in the City of Wasilla. Asking the Parks and Recreation Commission to help host, provide volunteers or help with funding.

Catherine Minman- from Wasilla Soil and Water Conservation District, looking at various City Parks to develop a rain garden which will enhance any drainage issues as well as beautify the Parks. Commissioner Mary Shampine suggested Carter Park as a possible park for a rain garden.

8. STAFF REPORTS / UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Verne Rupright- west end of Lucille Lake weeds have been cleaned out.

The City took over Lake Lucille Park, looking for suggestions on the re-design of the park. In the spring the City will start dredging north east corner of Lake Lucille to clean up the muck at the bottom of the lake.

Gun Range project has been stopped, asking the Commission for suggestions. Commissioner Sarah Sanderlin suggested an underground range. Commissioner Dave Tuttle suggested a rain garden roof for the gun range.

James- Maureen McCombs Equestrian Trail dedication and hanging of the sign went well.

The Soccer for Fun program will transition from a City run program to a private enterprise operation starting the winter session.

Turf for Tots is now five days a week- Monday thru Friday. Working on getting new toys but requires some additional funding to make this happen.

Working on fee pricing for the Arctic Predators football team.

The City may be purchasing a floor covering for the ice rink from the University of Denver.

Tedman working on putting a bid together to host the State High School Volleyball tournament at the Menard Sports Center.

9. ON GOING PROJECTS

Discussion on Public Lands within City Limits- nothing new to report.

4 Th of July Events- the City of Wasilla is in negotiations with Wasilla Chamber of Commerce to take over the 4th of July activities.

Parks Master Plan-nothing new to report.

Wasilla to Big lake Trail Development- James toured the trail with USKH.

Arbor Day 2010-nothing new to report.

Dave Tuttle will attend the next City Council Meeting on October 26, 2009.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. Parks and Recreation Meetings 2010-all Commissioners agreed to 2010 dates for the Park and Recreation Meetings.

12. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

13. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Mary-suggested planting a Christmas tree at the corner of Main Street and Nelson, James will talk with Archie, Ken and Jana. Asked about the status of a train for the kids to play on at Nunley Park, and a drop off center for recycled newspapers, James will check with Archie on this.

Randy- will talk with Molly Boyer at Valley Community for Recycling Solutions about recycled newspaper pick up. James will research the liability of having a dumpster in the parking lot. Asked about Capital improvement nominations.


Joan- need to look and re-evaluate On Going Projects.

Dave- continue thoughts on community gardens, suggested using volunteers for the parks and asked on the status of the Southwest Wasilla Trails.

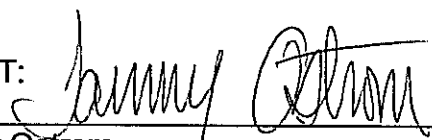
ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Dave Tuttle adjourned meeting at 9:25 pm.

NEXT MEETING DATE: November 18, 2009 at Menard Sports Center.



Dave Tuttle, Chair

ATTEST: 

Tammy Ostrom
COMMISSION SECRETARY

Adopted By the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission on Nov 18, 2009.