

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, June 9, 2010, at Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, Wasilla, Alaska. Chairman Dave Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:05 p. m.

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

Ms. Mary Shampine, Seat A
Chair Dave Tuttle, Seat B
Ms. Joan Matthews, Seat D
Ms. Randy Robinson, Seat E

Ms. Sarah Sanderlin was absent.

Staff in attendance were:

Mr. James Hastings, Recreational & Cultural Services Manager
Mr. Archie Giddings, Public Works Director

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Hastings led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

AMENDMENT: Move Archie Giddings from Staff Reports to speak after Approval of the Minutes.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Tuttle asked if there were any changes to the May 12, 2010 minutes.

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

VI. PUBLIC HEARING (Three minutes per person.)

No public hearing was held.

VII. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Aaron Dickson, Intern from UAA, introduced himself and discussed working on a project at the Sports Center for cross country running/skiing trails that can be used year round.

VIII. STAFF REPORTS / UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Hastings:

- Fourth of July Parade will be Sunday July 4th at 11:00am.
- Fourth of July picnic will be hosted by the City and start at 1:00pm. Doyon Catering will supply hot dogs, buns and condiments, Pepsi will supply the drinks.
- Volunteers are needed for the fourth of July Picnic. James will email Commissioners a volunteer needs list.
- Menard Memorial dedication-memorial dedication of plaque and benches will be a minimal event and the plaque will be posted and acknowledged.
- Valley Arts Alliance-Ms. Robinson will help assist with future operations.
- Valley Garden Club-Ms. Robinson will talk with the garden club regarding flower beds at the Sports Center.
- Mat-Su Anglers Society-hosting year round still water fisheries promotion program and casting clinics for kids.
- Music in the Park-starts Thursday June 17th, hosted by Matanuska Music.
- Facility Allocation Policy-sent to all users in late April. All requests have been received and Tedman is entering them into our facility schedule.

IX. ON GOING PROJECTS

Discussion on Public Lands within City Limits:

Mr. Hastings:

- Potential for green strip between Target and Sportsman's Warehouse.

Parks Master Plan:

Mr. Giddings:

- Discussed Parks Master Plan and supplied Commissioners with information on Community input and list of City Parks information.
- Looking for the general focus of each park.
- Commission will review parks/trails and make suggestions for the plan.

Wasilla to Big Lake Trail Development:

Mr. Giddings:

- City will host a meeting with the property owners who are effected by the trail followed by a public meeting to get Community input.

Clean up Days/Recycling:

Mr. Hastings:

- Zero cost to City.

Ms. Matthews:

- City not clean after clean up days.

[CLERK's NOTE: It was decided that Commissioner Robinson would attend the next City Council Meeting on June 14, 2010.]

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Review on going Projects: from the May 12, 2010 Parks and Recreation meeting it was agreed to remove 4th of July and Arbor Days from On Going projects.
- B. Draft a resolution for Nunley Park Train: Alaska Rail Road could potentially be able to donate a train for Nunley Park; City would need to pay for transportation of the train.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

XII. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

Commissioner Tuttle:

- Commissioner Sarah Sanderlin gave her resignation for the Parks and Recreation Commission due to scheduling conflicts and personal reasons.

Mr. Hastings:

- Robin Rice with Why Not Tri Triathlon gave a plaque to the Parks and Recreation Commission for City support of the Triathlon.

XIII. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Commissioner Shampine:

- Asked what the process was for volunteering.

Commissioner Matthews:

- Baking cookies for the Fourth of July Picnic; will bring the cookies to the Sports Center to store.
- Will be volunteering at the Fourth of July Picnic with American Legion and Family.

Mr. Hastings:

- Will contact Kristie Smithers from the Clerk's Office regarding communication via email for the Commissioners.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 8:10 p.m. and noted that the next meeting is scheduled for July 14, 2010, at the Menard Sports Center.



Dave Tuttle, Chair

ATTEST:



TAMMY OSTRUM, Commission Secretary

Approved: July 14, 2010.