

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, January 11, 2012, at Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, Wasilla, Alaska. Chairman Dave Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:02 p. m.

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

Ms. Mary Shampine, Seat A
Mr. Dave Tuttle, Seat B
Mr. Henry Hartman, Seat C
Ms. Joan Matthews, Seat D
Ms. Randy Robinson, Seat E

Staff in attendance were:

Mr. Bert Cottle, Deputy Administrator
Ms. Tammy Ostrom, Sports Center Secretary

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Shampine 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 December 14, 2011 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

Patrick O'Neil spoke about Lemonade Day Alaska May 6th 2012.

VIII. STAFF REPORTS / UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Cottle:

- Rail cars authorized to move.
- Carter Park sign will be hung this summer.
- Cottonwood Creek land still in litigation.
- Will check on the status of Big Lake Trail funds.

IX. ON GOING PROJECTS

Discussion on Public Lands within City Limits:

- No new information.

Parks Master Plan:

- Commissioners will start to look over and review at next Parks and Recreation Meeting.

Wasilla to Big Lake Trail Development:

- No new information.

Volunteer Program:

- No new information.

Winterfest:

- Planning meeting for Monday January 16th to solidify the date, goals, and plans to achieve them.

Clean Up:

- Volunteers needed for the event.
- Suggested donation letters go out in March.
- Commissioner Robinson will work on a timeline for Clean up days and bring to next Parks and Recreation Meeting in February.

Arts Walk:

- May change event to twice a month and move location to Menard Sports Center.

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

XII. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

XIII. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Commissioner Shampine:

- Some City residents complained that ice rink at Newcomb Park was not cleared for the holidays; and
- Fireworks on New Years Eve were very nice.

Commissioner Robinson:

- Public Works doing a good job keeping paths cleared at City parks; and
- Concerned about reduced hours at Library and Museum.

Commissioner Hartman:

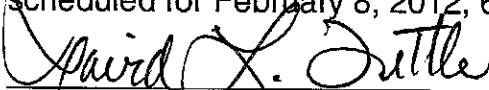
- Liked the Lemonade Day Alaska concept.

Commissioner Matthews:

- Thanks for having bathrooms at wonderland park open during Christmas break.

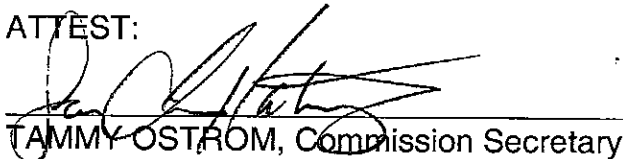
XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 7:10pm and noted that the next meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2012, 6:00pm at Menard Sports Center.



Dave Tuttle, Chair

ATTEST:


TAMMY OSTROM, Commission Secretary

for Tammy Ostrom

Approved: February 8, 2012.