

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, August 8, 2012, at Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, Wasilla, Alaska. Chairman Dave Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:00 p. m.

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

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

Staff in attendance were:

Mr. John Combs, Recreation & Cultural Services Director
Mr. Bert Cottle, Deputy Administrator
Ms. Tammy Ostrom, Menard Sports Center Secretary
Mr. Lynn Follett, Parks and Property

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.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Matthews made a motion to have Mr. Cottle speak after the approval of the agenda.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Tuttle asked if there were any changes to the July 11, 2012 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

VIII. STAFF REPORTS / UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Combs:

- The Mat-Su Steelers have been approved for using the soccer fields at Lake Lucille.
- Caboose at Nunley Park has been painted with an undercoat and should be completed by next week.
- Mat-Su Transportation Fair at the Menard Sports Center Thursday August 9th.
- Parks working on fence repairs around Iditapark.
- Working on Snider plaque before it can be attached to large bolder at Wonderland Park.
- Spoke regarding community gardens and a task force.

Mr. Cottle:

- Discussed Borough land transfer of Lake Lucille Park to the City of Wasilla.
- Asked if the City had a current procedure regarding Adopt a park.

Mr. Follett:

- Introduced himself to the Parks and Recreation Commission.
- Reported on Wasilla to Big Lake Trail Development-still moving forward with this project.

IX. ON GOING PROJECTS SEASONAL

Clean up Days:

- Need to select the 2013 Clean up Days dates by November for planning purposes.

Arts Walk:

- Would like to organize an event for second Saturday in October.

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mat-Su Steelers Land use:

MOTION: Commissioner Matthews made motion to write a letter of support for the Mat-Su Steelers to lease 10 acres of land at Bumpus for football.

SECOND: Commissioner Shampine second the motion.

VOTE: All Commissioners were in favor.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

XII. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

XIII. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Commissioner Tuttle:

- Suggested putting information about the community gardens on our City billings; and
- Will be gone for the September 12th and October 10th Parks and Recreation Meeting.

Commissioner Matthews:

- Commented that the City needs to advertise to get the word out to the community about the community gardens; and
- Supports the community gardens and feels they should be a part of the Parks and Recreation Commission; and
- Asked if a City employee is able to be on the Parks and Recreation Commission; and
- Will be gone for the October 10th Parks and Recreation Meeting; and

Commissioner Robinson:

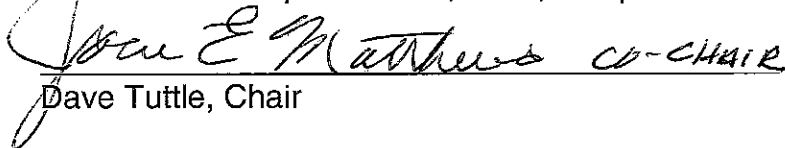
- Thanked Mr. Follett for the hard work on the City's Community gardens and;
- Asked about the land for the Library; and
- Asked if The City of Wasilla was a member of The Mat-Su Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Commissioner Shampine:

- Asked if there is anything else planned for the train and will the City be hosting an open house for the train.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 7:00pm and noted that the next meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2012, 6:00pm at Menard Sports Center.


Dave Tuttle, Chair

ATTEST:

 9/12/2012
TAMMY OSTROM, Commission Secretary