

WASILLA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 9, 2013

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, January 9, 2013, at Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, Wasilla, Alaska. Chairman Dave Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:06 p. m.

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

Ms. Mary Shampine, Seat A
Mr. Dave Tuttle, Seat B
Ms. Debbie Martin, Seat C
Ms. Randy Robinson, Seat E

Commissioner Joan Matthews was excused.

Staff in attendance were:

Mr. Bert Cottle, Deputy Administrator
Ms. Tammy Ostrom, Menard Sports 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.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Robinson made a motion to add 75th Anniversary of Wasilla Public Library and Second Saturdays under On Going Projects Seasonal.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Tuttle asked if there were any changes to the December 12, 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. Cottle:

- Discussed site possibilities for a Mat-Su Borough gun range.
- Dam at Lake Lucille is in, clean up work will be done this summer.
- Record numbers for the Community Christmas Friendship Dinner at the Menard Sports Center.
- Discussion on the new Wasilla Library.
- Discussed putting in a dog park at Lake Lucille Park and signed a contract for 70 ft walkway.
- Discussed putting up an informational sign at the community gardens.

IX. ON GOING PROJECTS

Discussion on Public Lands within City limits:

- Creek side property still in litigation.

Wasilla to Big Lake Trail Development:

- Commissioners asked if money was available for the trail development.

X. ON GOING PROJECTS-SEASONAL

Special Events:

- Family fun day at Wonderland Park January 5, 2013 cancelled due to lack of snow. May have at a later date, depending on snow fall.
- Wasilla Public Library Diamond Jubilee 75th Anniversary January 20, 2013 from 6-8pm at the Menard Sports Center. Free public skating, refreshments and fireworks display at 8:00pm. January 23, 2013 Wasilla City Hall at 12:00pm and Dorothy Page Museum from 4:00-6:00pm in honor of Pioneers that started the Wasilla Public Library Association.
- Second Saturdays: Commissioner Robinson would like to have a bus service from Wasilla to Palmer for second Saturday's.

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Developing more outdoor ice skating areas in Wasilla:

- Commissioner Martin would like to have one good recreation outdoor hockey ice rink with hockey nets and lights.
- It was suggested using the Iditarod outdoor ice rink and maintaining it through the parks department. Bert will contact the Mat-Su School District about the rink.

XII. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

XIII. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Commissioner Shampine:

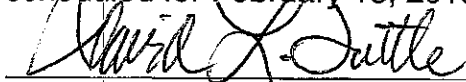
- Asked if the Menard Sports Center had to be listed as an enterprise fund and;
- Suggested a kennel club adopt the city dog park if built.

Commissioner Martin:

- Suggested more jogging trails in the Mat-Su Valley preferably non paved trails.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 7:10pm and noted that the next meeting is scheduled for February 13, 2013, 6:00pm at Menard Sports Center.



DAVE TUTTLE, Chair

ATTEST:



TAMMY OSTROM, Commission Secretary

Approved: February 13, 2013.