

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Dave Tuttle, Chair
Mary Champine
Joan Matthews
Sarah Sanderlin

WASILLA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

6 P.M.

February 13, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held Wednesday, February 13, 2008 at the Wasilla Multi-Use Sports Complex. Chairman Dave Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:00 p. m.

2. ROLL CALL; DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:
Dave Tuttle, Mary Champine, Joan Matthews, Sarah Sanderlin.

Staff in attendance:

Bruce Urban, Recreational & Cultural Services Manager

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 January 16, 2008 was approved as presented.

6. PUBLIC HEARING (Three minutes per person.)

No public hearing was held.

7. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

8. STAFF REPORTS / UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bruce Urban- High School State Hockey Tournament-15 games over 3 days with an estimated 7000 in attendance. Channel 2 will rebroadcast the championship game this Sunday.

State Youth Hockey Tournament will be held at the Sports Complex this weekend.

MTA is sponsoring a portion of the fireworks display on March 1st 2008.

Art display at the Museum February 25th thru March 7th. Starting May 28th for 10 weeks, a tour bus will bring visitors the City of Wasilla. Scott Neal from the Museum has taken a new job, currently searching for a new Museum Curator.

Tedman is currently working on a summer day camp at the Sports Complex for elementary school aged kids. Possibly have 1 session in June and 2 sessions in July.

9. ON GOING PROJECTS

Discussion on Public Lands within City Limits- Land dispute at Sports Complex agreed upon.

Bumpus Equestrian Trail- no updates.

Parks Master Plan-Theme for the City of Wasilla "Gateway to Adventure"- Gateway makes it sound as a passing thru Wasilla instead of stopping in Wasilla. Commissioner Dave Tuttle would like to see it changed.

Future Budget- Bruce is currently working on the budget. Wasilla Pool inquired if the City will help sponsor dollar dip days this summer. Commissioner Joan Matthews suggested adding Tree Lighting Ceremony to the budget.

Joan Matthews will attend the next City Council Meeting on February 25th, 2008.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS

4th of July Poem-Commissioners will read poems and decide winner at next Park and Recreation Meeting.

12. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

13. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Mary-Nunley Park: ideas for theme of the park, a train or Motherload (building boarded up to look like a mine entrance).

Dave- maybe build an old time looking train.

Sarah-saw a train at a park -looked like a train from the front, other side of train is things for kids to climb on.

Bruce-need to look for grant money for these types of projects.

Dave- Marty Metiva would like to have someone from the Parks and Recreation Commission attend the Southwest Trail Meetings. Dave suggested emailing Trail minuets to Commissioners to keep them informed.

Joan-not much can be done this summer at Nunley Park until tennis court is

Mary- grass needs to be redone at Nunley Park- a lot of holes. Would be nice to have a pavilion built for the park.

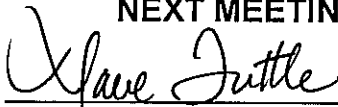
Sarah- for landscaping look into using fire wise trees and shrubs, will bring brochure listing types of plants to use.

Met with the director for Mascot on providing bus transportation for kids to City Parks and events this summer.

ADJOURNMENT

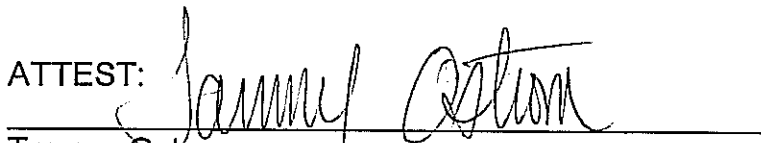
Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 6:45 pm.

NEXT MEETING DATE: March 12, 2008 at Multi-Use Sports Complex.



Dave Tuttle, Chair

ATTEST:



Tammy Ostrom
COMMISSION SECRETARY

Adopted By the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission on 2/13, 2008.