

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Dave Tuttle, Chair
Mary Shampine
Joan Matthews
Sarah Sanderlin

WASILLA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

6 P.M.

March 12, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held Wednesday, March 12, 2008 at the Wasilla Multi-Use Sports Complex. Chairman Dave Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:07 p. m.

2. ROLL CALL; DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

Dave Tuttle, Mary Shampine, Joan Matthews, Commissioner Sarah Sanderlin was absent.

Staff in attendance:

Bruce Urban, Recreational & Cultural Services Manager

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Bruce Urban led the Pledge of Allegiance

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved with an amendment to move item B (Bumpus Equestrian Trail) under On Going Projects to New Business and move 4th of July Poem under New Business to item C (4th of July Events) under On Going Projects. No objection was raised.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for Parks & Recreation Commission meeting on February 13, 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- last day for ice April 12th. Outdoor show March 28th, 29th 30th on turf court area at Sports Complex. Mat-Su Home show April 18th, 19th and 20th at the Sports Complex.

Fireworks on March 1st went well, next year start at 8:00pm instead of 7:00pm.

9. ON GOING PROJECTS

Council member Menard in discussion with the Borough on a transition of land between Wasilla High School and Iditarod, also looking into acquiring Lake Lucille Park as well.

4th of July Events- poems: Commissioners selected Patriotism as the poem selection as well as 4th of July theme.

Commissioners would like to combine the Anniversary of Statehood Celebration with the Governors picnic. The Governors picnic is organized by the Chamber of Commerce, Bruce will invite Cheryl Metiva to the next Park and Recreation Meeting. Commissioner Joan Matthews made a motion to nominate Leroy and Margaret Heaven as Grand Marshall in the 4th of July Parade. Commissioner Dave Tuttle second the motion. All Commissioners were in favor.

Parks Master Plan-nothing to report.

Future Budget- Bruce will present to Mayor next week. Funding for three firework displays, dollar dip days, membership to NRPA for Commissioners, day camp, Sports Complex budget increase and new programs for the Sports Complex.

Joan Matthews will attend the next City Council Meeting on March 24th, 2008.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS

Bumpus Equestrian Trail- Commissioners would like to name the trail after Commissioner Maureen McCombs. Bruce will write up a resolution and bring to the next Park and Recreation Meeting in April.

12. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

13. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Dave-is the City pursuing grants for projects?

Joan-theme for Healthy Child-maybe incorporate into the day camp at the Sports Complex. Bruce will have Tedman contact Vince Curry about this.

Dave-asked if any high school students have contacted the City about volunteer work. Bruce stated not at this time.

Bruce will contact Stan George at Carr's Grocery Store about recycling dumpsters.

Mary-brought pictures of Iditarod's old play ground equipment to show the theme-would like something similar at Nunley Park to show local theme.

Bruce-would like to start a senior walk program, find a grant or sponsor to help offset costs for participants.

Joan-write a letter to Veteran organizations, call Joe at 376-4318 to have a Veteran organization list sent.

Bruce will contact Archie in Public Works regarding the ground breaking ceremony for the new kitchen at the Sports Complex.

ADJOURNMENT

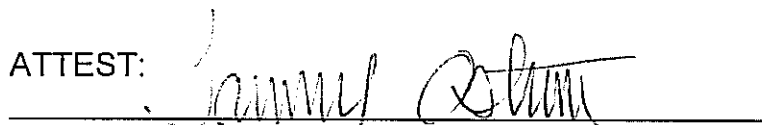
Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 7:12 pm.

NEXT MEETING DATE: April 9, 2008 at Multi-Use Sports Complex.



Dave Tuttle, Chair

ATTEST:



Tammy Ostrom
COMMISSION SECRETARY

Adopted By the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission on 3/12, 2008.