

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Dave Tuttle, Chair
Mary Shampine
Joan Matthews
Sarah Sanderlin
Brandon Wall

WASILLA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

6 P.M.

August 13, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held Wednesday, August 13, 2008 at the Wasilla Multi-Use Sports Complex. Chairman Dave Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:03 p. m.

2. ROLL CALL; DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

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

Staff in attendance:

Bruce Urban, Recreational & Cultural Services Manager
Tammy Ostrom, Sports Complex Secretary

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Joan Matthews 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 July 9, 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- Kitchen coming along good- not sure on date of completion.

Target has rented a considerable amount of time and space at the Sports Complex for interviews and employee training.

UAA vs USA Development Hockey Team September 25th at the Wasilla Sports Complex.

October 4th UAA vs British Columbia Hockey game at the Sports Complex.

Starting a Teen Skate night at the Sports Complex once a month for six months on Saturday nights from 7:30-9:30pm. This will include admission for skating, skate rental, Music DJ, and pizza.

Artificial turf at the Sports Complex is lead free. Bruce will post a press release in the lobby of Sports Complex, on the City web site and email a copy to Park and Recreation Commissioners.

Council approved a Library Steering Committee and introduced an ordinance to adopt a Historical Preservation Commission.

A lease of City Land to Alaska live Steamers will be up for public hearing and Council adoption at the August 25th Council meeting.

Council member Steve Menard mentioned at the City Council meeting he would like to see a running track around Iditapark.

In the near future, the Recreation and Cultural Services Department will be taking over Park reservations and permits from the Public Works Department.

Archie is looking into putting a Gazebo or some sort of cover over the Amphitheater. Commissioners suggested asking Matanuska Music what their thoughts were on the idea. Commissioner Tuttle asked if landscaping is complete in this area. Bruce will find out more information.

9. ON GOING PROJECTS

Discussion on Public Lands within City Limits - land at Cotton Wood Creek. An appraisal of the land needs to be done. Commissioner Sarah Sanderlin suggested contacting Alaska Job Core center as future potential help for a bridge project over Cottonwood Creek at the Target and Sportsman's Warehouse area.

Parks Master Plan- nothing to report.

Brandon Wall will attend the next City Council Meeting on August 25th, 2008.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Commissioner Dave Tuttle checked with Weld Air regarding branding iron for logo on Maureen McCombs Equestrian trail sign- they suggested contacting John Root and making a mock sign would be helpful. Bruce will contact Sign King about this.

11. NEW BUSINESS

Park and Recreation Co-Chair: Sarah Sanderlin. Commissioner Joan Matthews made a motion, Commissioner Brandon Wall second the motion, that Sarah Sanderlin will be the Park and Recreation co-chair. All Commissioners were in favor.

New City of Wasilla Web site by Vision Intranet will launch August 25th.

12. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

13. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Sarah- asked if new web site will post park rules. Bruce stated that yes the web site will post park rules.

Joan-Music in the Park with Hobo Jim was wonderful.

Dave-need to encourage food vendors when Music in the park is playing.

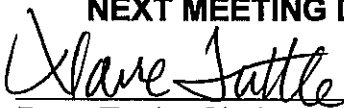
Sarah- has Grand Jury duty October, November and December.

Dave-need to give a letter of thanks to Matanuska Music from Park and Recreation Commission for a job well done in Music in the Park.

ADJOURNMENT

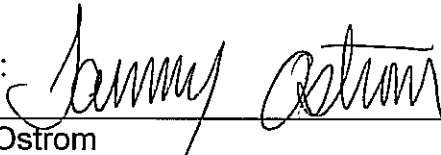
Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 6:46 pm.

NEXT MEETING DATE: September 10, 2008 at Multi-Use Sports Complex.



Dave Tuttle, Chair

ATTEST:



Tammy Ostrom
COMMISSION SECRETARY

Adopted By the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission on 8/13, 2008.