

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, July 9, 2014, 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 Champine, 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:

Ms. Joan Klapperich, Director of Recreation and Cultural Services
Mr. Steven Murray, Facility Supervisor & Event Coordinator
Ms. Tammy Ostrom, Menard 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.

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Tuttle asked if there were any changes to the June 11, 2014 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

Luanne Urfer with SDG Landscape Architects: Have 2 interns here in Alaska to help the City with Park and Recreation Projects. Prepared a list of projects to submit to the Parks and Recreation for their feedback and input.

Commission suggested:

- Preparing a resolution to name land in Creekside Plaza Subdivision donated by the Pedersen family, to Pedersen Park.
- Have a plaque made for the Pedersen Land Park.
- Suggested not overdeveloping the small park.
- Suggested property connects to Cottonwood creek land.
- Install a Rose Garden or flower garden at Iditapark.
- Suggested more evergreen trees around the City for all year beauty.
- Fix up location of new Farmers Market area at Iditapark.

VIII. STAFF REPORTS / UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Steven Murray:

- Reported on 4th of July picnic events and activities.

Joan Klapperich:

- New Barbeque grill purchased for Parks and Recreation activities.
- Yoga in the Park started July 1st at Newcomb Park.
- Yoga in the Park banner put up at the Park-Joan will work on putting the City seal on the banner.
- 4th of July Parade- 87 entries, 1800 participants, estimated 10,000. Spectators.
- Collected recycled materials at the 4th of July picnic this year, but did not have the man power to sort out the garbage from the recycled materials.
- Play NFL 60 very successful event at the Menard Center with an estimated 350 kids participating for the event.
- Ice is in at the Menard Center; hockey camps going on in the month of July.
- July 19, 2014 Jujiro Wada Ceremony at the Museum.

IX. ON GOING PROJECTS

X. ON GOING PROJECTS-SEASONAL

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Rules and Regulations for Lake Lucille Dog Park:

- Commissioner Martin liked the North Carolina Dog Park rules and suggested that the City follow the same format with a few changes regarding City Code and regulations.
- Would like to see animal control and emergency phone numbers posted.
- Would like to see a community board posted at the dog park for lost dogs, dog shows, etc.
- Suggested a dog adoption agency might be interested in sponsoring the board.
- Suggested writing up the rules/regulations and preparing a resolution for next month's Parks and Recreation meeting.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

XIII. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

XIV. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Commissioner Robinson:

- Suggested having Music in the Park on Wednesday evenings in conjunction with the Farmers Market; and
- Will check with the Recycling center to see if they are able to donate time for next year's 4th of July picnic to help sort recycled items; and
- Suggested Valley Mountain Bikers Association to collaborate a fundraiser to help with funds for building trails in the City of Wasilla; and
- Will check with the Recycling Center to see if they would be willing to help with the Oktoberfest event.

Commissioner Tuttle:

- Asked about trail information or survey that was prepared by Bruce Urban and Mike Janicek several years ago; and
- Suggested bringing back Music in the Park; and
- Asked if we have money in our budget for Music in the Park; and
- Asked what the City was building on the corner of Weber Drive and Nelson; and
- Asked what happened to the money that was set aside for the Wasilla to Big Lake Trail Development; and
- Asked about the status of Lake Lucille Camp sites for the Military; and
- Asked about the status of Cotton Wood Creek land; and
- Would like to have a brochure made up for our City Parks.

Commissioner Martin:

- Suggested kids recreation activities for the next 4th of July picnic, such as 3 legged race, etc; and
- Suggested using the entire Iditapark for 4th of July activities.

Commissioner Shampine:

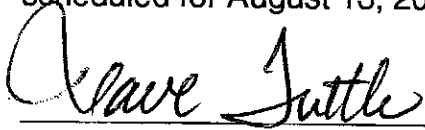
- Suggested that the City host the bike rodeo again for the community; and
- Asked about the status of the amphitheater sign; and
- City needs to apply for a DOT permit for Carter Park road sign; and
- Fireworks were great.

Ms. Klapperich:

- Look for available dates in September at the Menard Center for an Oktoberfest; and
- Look at getting an alcohol vendor permit for the Menard Center.

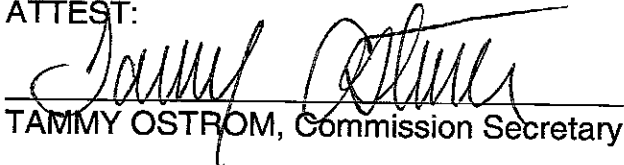
ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tuttle adjourned meeting at 7:56pm and noted that the next meeting is scheduled for August 13, 2014, 6:00pm at Menard Sports Center.



DAVE TUTTLE, Chair

ATTEST:



TAMMY OSTROM, Commission Secretary

Approved: August 13, 2014.