

City of Valdez

212 Chenega Ave.
Valdez, AK 99686



DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 12, 2025

6:30 PM

Regular Meeting

Council Chambers

Parks and Recreation Commission

REGULAR AGENDA - 6:30 PM**I. CALL TO ORDER****II. ROLL CALL**

Present 5 - Chair Sarah Jorgenson-Owen
Commission Member Benjamin Rush
Commission Member Jeremy Robida
Commission Member Aidan Shafland
Commission Member Heidi Johnson

Absent 1 - Chair Pro Tempore Pete Carter

Also Present 3 - PRCS Director Bridget Rich
Park Maintenance Supervisor Cole Beck
Office Manager Lisa Anderson

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes for July 8, 2025

Minutes were adopted by consent

IV. PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**V. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Commission Assessment of Trail Reports

VI. REPORTS

1. PRCS Director Report
The Meals Hill project is not done yet. Grand opening is September 11, 2025. If it is done before then, we will let the public in. All fall programming will start on August 19, 2025. The green room and dressing room remodel at the Civic Center is scheduled to begin soon. The Alaska Recreation and Park Association conference is starting September 10, 2025, at the Civic Center. Park Maintenance Supervisor Cole Beck provides a brief update on the Meals Hill project.

VII. COMMISSION BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Commission member Shafland said the Glacier Lake parking lot looks great
Commission Member Robida also said the Glacier Lake parking lot looks great.
Looking forward to the new map booklet
Chair Jorgenson-Owen requests that commission meetings be pushed to the next meeting date if there are not many agenda items. Commission member Johnson, Shafland, Robida, and Rush all agree.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT