



City of Valdez

212 Chenega Ave.
Valdez, AK 99686

Meeting Minutes - Draft

Parks and Recreation Commission

Tuesday, December 13, 2016

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

Regular Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Commission Member Brian Teale
Chair Pro Tempore Rich Loftin
Commission Member Michael Britt
Commission Member Paul Nylund
Senior Administrative Assistant Krystal Moulton
PRCS Director Darryl Verfaillie

Excused 6 - Chair Matt Smelcer
Commission Member Amy Goold
Secretary Gary Pauly
Recreation Supervisor Wendy Clubb
Park Maintenance Supervisor Marcie Robertson
Events Coordinator Rachel Sensabaugh

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from November 10, 2016](#)

MOTION: Commission Member Nylund moved, seconded by Chair Pro Tempore Teale, to approve the minutes from November 10, 2016 as written. The motion carried by the following vote after the following discussion occurred.

The Commission reviewed the minutes from the November 10, 2016 meeting. There were no requested changes and the minutes were approved as written.

Yays: 4 - Commission Member Teale, Chair Pro Tempore Loftin, Commission Member Britt, and Commission Member Nylund

Excused: 3 - Chair Smelcer, Commission Member Goold, Secretary Pauly, Senior Administrative Assistant Moulton, PRCS Director Verfaillie, Recreation Supervisor Clubb, Park Maintenance Supervisor Robertson, and Events Coordinator Sensabaugh

V. PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

There was no Public Business from the Floor.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. [Naming of Tillie Wonder Plaza](#)

Chair Pro Tempore, Rich Loftin, opened the Public Hearing. Due to there being no public in attendance, Loftin closed the hearing. It was requested that the Commission continue moving forward with creation of a recommendation to be presented to City Council for approval of the naming of Tillie Wonder Plaza.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

IX. REPORTS

1. [Recreation Supervisor Report](#)

The Commission reviewed the Recreation Supervisor's report.

Director, Darryl Verfaillie, discussed the upcoming Small Pool closure that would take place over Christmas break as well as the upcoming position opening of Teen Center Coordinator.

Chair Pro Tempore, Rich Loftin, discussed the Teen Center rentals increase as well as the Alaska Recreation and Parks Association Conference which was to be held at the Valdez Civic Center in September 2017.

Commission Member, Brian Teale, discussed the attendance for the upcoming Qaniq Challenge which was to take place in January 2017.

2. [Park Maintenance Supervisor Report](#)

The Commission reviewed the Park Maintenance Supervisor's report.

Chair Pro Tempore, Rich Loftin, discussed the current status of the groomed trails as well as the ski hill, stating that the snow was still a bit soft, but overall in good condition.

Commission Member, Paul Nylund, inquired about the new park-scape which was to be installed by the Shoup Bay trail head in Spring of 2017. Verfaillie informed the Commission that the park was selected by a committee of neighborhood parents and that the final purchase was awaiting Council approval.

3. [Director Report](#)

Director Verfaillie verbally presented his report. Verfaillie discussed the Festive Homes Contest, Community Survey which was distributed to the community as well as Valdez City Schools, and the Alaska Rodeo presentation which was to be given to Council on January 3, 2017.

Chair Pro Tempore, Loftin, inquired about the current status of the Community Survey. Recording Secretary, Krystal Moulton, informed the Commission that as of the evening of the Commission Meeting, they had received over 150 responses.

Verfaillie informed the Commission that the Rock Wall would be closed that evening due to illness, and that the Rock Wall would need to be sanitized before re-opening.

X. COMMISSION BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Commission Member, Brian Teale, discussed the in-town trails status. Teale suggested that the water tower road be groomed in Winter. Commission Member, Nylund, informed the Commission that the road is gated in the summer due to it being a restricted access area.

Commission Member, Michael Britt, discussed the Mountain Recreation Study Work Session which had recently taken place. He stated that there was a good turnout as well as a very informative presentation.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Due to no further business, Chair Pro Tempore Rich Loftin, adjourned the meeting at 7:29PM.