



CITY of BETHEL

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Minutes
Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting
November 24, 1980

Parks and Recreation

5:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 5:10 p.m. Committee-members present:
Hoffman, Dudley, Slater, Parker.

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Parker to approve minutes of October 27. Seconded
by Hoffman.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Parker to approve agenda as amended (by addition as Item G
under new Business the 2 million bond proposition). Agenda approved
as amended.

Communications

none

Chairpersons Report

none

Director's Report

The adult programs are still running smoothly, although the
attendance at the after-school childrens programs has not been high.
City League Basketball is moving into the second half of it's season.

The department has one new Ceta Employee, Lucy Corl, This
leaves the department still one short on employees.

The senior citizen's program is going well, although it
takes up a considerable amount of time from the rest of the Parks and Recreation
staff.

Old Business

Item A Teen Center

The report or request for volunteers from the Jesuit Corps has been
completed and sent in to Pat Mortin, Alaska area director. The cost of
these volunteers will run from \$8,000-14,000 a year.

Parker and Dudley will talk to ASHA housing representatives to see
if they would be able to provide housing for the volunteers.



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Jose Borrera, of Patc, is also beginning a youth program in January '81. Dudley said she would talk to him about the possibility of funding under alcohol abuse grants, and also of coordinating programs.

The Committee made the following resolution for Dudley to present to City Council. (listed on separate page attached to packet)

New Business

Item A 21 Acre Park

The surveying for the installation of the pilings will begin as soon as bids are received from the construction companies. The following resolution was made by the Committee in regards to the Park. (attached on back)

Item F

The reason that the VFW did not complete the baseball diamond as originally scheduled was lack of available sand. \$26,000 is now available to begin construction in the spring, with \$100,000 available by the time construction actually starts.

Item B YKSF

The Committee can still make recommendations to the architect as to what they would like to see included in the plans.

The committee was also reminded that there was still interest in the "small bore rifle range" (the funding for this had been taken away to supplement the multi-purpose facility). Hoffman will talk to BNC about what priorities they want to see developed. The multi-purpose facility will need the support of BNC to use the extra money.

Item G

The Parks and Recreation Committee fully supports the resolution by council that the 2 million dollar bond be made available to the city and that it be spent for recreational purposes.

Item C, Ice Skating, and Item E, Volunteer Association were moved to the next meeting, set for December 15th at 5:00 p.m.

Adjournment-

Slaten made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Hoffman. Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m....



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PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE RECOMENDATIONS

- 1) The Parks and Recreation Committee fully endorses the resolution regarding the 2 million dollar bond: that it be issued and made available to combine with the city funds designated for construction of a recreation facility.
- 2) The Parks and Recreation Committee recomends that the City of Bethel Provide \$14,000 for FY82 to staff a teen center (3 volunteers). These volunteers are part of the Jesuit Volunteer Corps. The \$14,000 is needed for recruitment fee, transportation to Bethel, monthly stipend, and room and board. The committee urges City Council to take notice of the fact that the allotment of this money would provide three competent staff members for a teen center for less than the price of one non-volunteer salary. This program would give the high quality staffing needed to get a teen program off the ground.
- 3) The Parks and Recreation Committee recomends that the City Council pressure the City Manager to insure that the construction on Phase II of the 21 Acre Park is completed this winter to avoid another year delay.