

City of Bethel, Alaska
Parks, Recreation, Aquatic, Health & Safety Center Committee Minutes

August 8, 2016

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Judy Wasierski at 6:11 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Comprising a quorum of the Committee, the following were present: Michelle DeWitt, Judy Wasierski, Kathy Hanson, Barbara Mosier, Brian Lefferts, and Rick Robb

Excused absent(s): Beverly Hoffman and Kathryn Baldwin

Also in attendance were the following:

Public Works Director, Muzaffar Lakhani

Committee Recorder, Pauline Boratko

City Grant Manager, John Sargent

Fitness Center Facility Director, Stacey Reardon

Fitness Center Program Manager, Shadi Radi

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD:

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY:	Rick Robb	Motion to amend the agenda by moving unfinished business item "L" to unfinished business item "A"
SECONDED BY:	Brian Lefferts	
VOTE ON MOTION:	Unanimously approved	

MOVED BY:	Rick Robb	Motion to approve the amended agenda.
SECONDED BY:	Barbara Mosier	
VOTE ON MOTION:	Unanimously approved	

V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

MOVED BY:	Rick Robb	Motion to approve the minutes from regular meeting on July 11, 2016
SECONDED BY:	Brian Lefferts	
VOTE ON MOTION:	Unanimously approved	

VI. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS:

VII. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT: Public Works Director Muzaffar Lakhani reports the new multi-purpose sports field has been started and it may be completed by the end of this year. Lakhani also reports that one mechanic and one truck driver resigned, one Parks and Recreation and one landfill employee has been hired. Pool Facility Director Stacey Reardon reports that there is a defibrillator on site purchased by the Fire Department, CPR training will be given to all life guards. Reardon also reports that they facility does need more staff and attendance which they will be working on.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Individual to report to August 9 City Council Meeting: Kathy Hanson volunteered to give the report.

- B. Trails- Funding, Safety, & Updates: Hand rails are in the process of being built on some parts of the boardwalks anything 2 or more feet higher off the ground.
- C. Fiscal year Parks and Recreation Budget: The Parks and Recreation budget for boardwalk repairs is currently at \$29k, and will be less when all the railings are completed. More information will be discussed when more updated information is presented at the next meeting.
- D. YK Fitness Center Website and Social Media: The Bethel Community Service Foundation (BCSF) donated and hired a website developer, Katie Baldwin as a gift to the city. A Facebook page will soon be created and is currently in the planning stages.
- E. Status of outstanding Recommendations and Action Memorandums to City Council: The Action Memorandum in regards to the Owl Park is on its way to council, and the Action Memorandum regarding the establishment of a Dog Park is currently in the process of getting completed.
- F. Grants: Pinky's Park Improvement and trail between YKHC and college: The soccer field is currently 75% covered with sand. The trail between YKHC and college was approved for a \$400k grant, and construction on that should start next summer
- G. Fiscal Year 2017 Aquatic Center Budget: The budget will be reviewed by the YK Fitness Director Stacey Reardon when more accurate numbers are available, and she should have something by the next meeting in September.
- H. AED (Automated External Defibrillator), Bleachers and Art and remaining FF&E (Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment)/Arts Budget at the Aquatic Center: AED has been installed at the pool. The Rasmussen grant for the art at the pool is currently in process.
- I. Sub Committee Reports, Marketing and Physical Facility: Brian and Beverly plan to meet next week to provide updated information on the physical facility. No new updates for the marketing subcommittee this month.
- J. AVCP Housing/ City of Bethel Owl Park Agreement: Waiting to hear back from the City Council on the results for the action memorandum concerning the Owl Park Agreement.
- K. Dog Park: Waiting to hear back from the City Council on the results for the action memorandum concerning the Dog Park.
- L. Review of Health/Fitness approved contract: No new updates this month

X. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Rescheduling of the September meeting: After discussion amongst members the rescheduling of the September meeting is unnecessary
- B. 4th of July debrief Part 2: Matt Ross was unable to attend the meeting to give his debrief of the 4th of July festivities. Judy Wasierski went over the 4th of July expenses.
- C. Water metering/billing rate at Fitness Center: Pool Director, Stacey Reardon advises that she will have the water system looked over to see why there is an over usage of water.
- D. City of Bethel Wellness Program: Rick Robb will find out how much money has been set aside for employees for the use of the pool.

MOVED BY:	Rick Robb	Motion to recommend the City Council and Administration to implement a wellness program.
SECONDED BY:	Kathy Hanson	
VOTE ON MOTION	Unanimously approved	

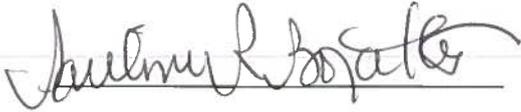
XI. MEMBER COMMENTS:

- M. DeWitt- no comment.
- J. Wasierski- Thank you Stacey and Shadi, welcome.
- B. Mosier- Good Job Judy.
- R. Robb- The Lieutenant Governor will be here tomorrow at 5pm.
- B. Lefferts- Soccer is over, glad to be back.
- K. Hanson- no comment.

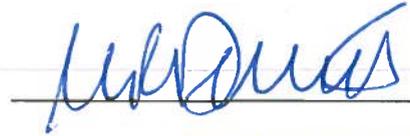
XII. ADJOURNMENT:

MOVED BY:	Kathy Hanson	Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 pm
SECONDED BY:	Brian Lefferts	
VOTE ON MOTION	Unanimously approved	

APPROVED THIS 26th DAY OF September 2016.



Pauline Boratko, Committee Recorder



Michelle DeWitt, Chair

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