

**KENAI BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 9, 2019 – 6:00 P.M.  
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
CHAIR LISA GABRIEL, PRESIDING**

**MEETING SUMMARY**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Gabriel called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

**a. Pledge of Allegiance**

Chair Gabriel led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**b. Roll was confirmed as follows:**

Committee Members present: Chair L. Gabriel, K. Reed, T. Wilson, M. Rhyner

Committee Members absent: T. Canady, B. Madrid

Staff/Council Liaison present: Parks and Recreation Director B. Frates, Council Member  
T. Navarre

A quorum was present.

**c. Agenda Approval**

**MOTION:**

Committee Member Rhyner **MOVED** to approve the agenda as presented; and Committee Member Wilson **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections; **SO ORDERED.**

**2. SCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.**

**3. UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT – None.**

**4. APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY**

**a. January 8, 2019**

**MOTION:**

Committee Member Reed **MOVED** to approve the January 8, 2019 meeting summary and Committee Member Rhyner **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections; **SO ORDERED.**

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.**

## 6. NEW BUSINESS

### a. Discussion – 2019 Plant List

The Parks and Recreation Director discussed the partial plant list as provided in the packet. Included were all of the flower plugs purchased, and it was noted that flowers purchased locally would be added as they were purchased. It was clarified that the cascading red petunias were new this season and the Department would be using the dinosaur kale again this year, while the red poppies were not purchased yet but the Department would start looking for a source.

### b. Discussion – Wildflower Garden Design Ideas

The Parks and Recreation Director noted the significant weed problem continuing to overtake the wildflowers in some locations. Next to treating with herbicides, the Director mentioned planting in smaller, manageable areas might help with the weed problem.

Committee members discussed ideas to mitigate the weed problem. The consensus of the Committee was that the beauty and attractiveness of the wildflower garden was the large area. The Director stated he would continue seeking suggestions from one of the local landscapers.

## 7. REPORTS

### a. Parks & Recreation Director – B. Frates reported the following:

- The City of Kenai's Parks, and Beautification webpages were coming along nicely and the Administrative Assistant had put a lot of time and effort into revamping them;
- He assigned a staff person to inspect specific parks and public space areas for syringe needles a couple times per week; and
- Staff was busy removing beetle kill trees in several areas throughout town, including the Municipal Park and Elson Park.

### b. Committee Chair – No report.

### c. City Council Liaison – T. Navarre noted he was available for any questions the Committee members might have.

## 8. NEXT MEETING ATTENDANCE NOTIFICATION – May 14, 2019

Committee Member Rhyner noted she would not be attending the next meeting.

## 9. COMMITTEE MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Committee Member Wilson inquired about the dog park. The Parks and Recreation Director provided an update.

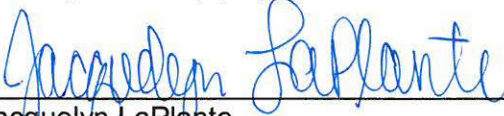
## 10. ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

## 11. INFORMATION – None.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting summary prepared and submitted by:



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