

**KENAI BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 12, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.
KENAI CITY HALL
CHAIR LISA GABRIEL, PRESIDING**

MEETING SUMMARY

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gabriel called the virtual meeting to order at 6:00 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, T. Wilson, K. Reed, E. Jensen, E. Heale
Committee Members absent:	B. Madrid, L. Craycraft
Staff/Council Liaison present:	Parks and Recreation Director B. Frates, Council Liaison G. Pettey

A quorum was present.

c. Agenda Approval

MOTION:

Committee Member Reed **MOVED** to approve the agenda 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 11, 2020

MOTION:

Committee Member Reed **MOVED** to approve the January 11, 2020 meeting summary and Committee Member Jensen **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections; **SO ORDERED**.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion – Volunteer Plant Day

The Parks and Recreation Director reported that the department would be handling the volunteer planting differently this year due to COVID-19; noting that instead of a singular plant day followed with a BBQ, the planting would be spread out over the course of a week. The department would advertise the event through personal contacts and Facebook. It was further noted folks could call the office and make arrangements to plant, as all beds would be prepped and material provided in advance along with planting diagrams.

Unanimous support was expressed by Commission members, and the Director clarified a list of bed locations would be emailed to members.

b. **Discussion** – Beautification Brochure

The Parks and Recreation Director referred to the brochure in the packet and requested feedback. It was noted the brochure would be updated as different varieties of flowers were purchased for planting but that a majority of the flowers were currently listed. It was suggested that dashes be changed to provide consistency in the brochure. There was a general consensus by the Commission that the brochure looked good and no further comments were noted.

7. REPORTS

- a. **Parks & Recreation Director** – B. Frates reported that the Department was looking at hosting a virtual clean-up which would include individuals picking up litter throughout the community, as done in the past, and this year people would be asked to send pictures of their accomplishments.
- b. **Committee Chair** – L. Gabriel thanked everyone for their participation.
- c. **City Council Liaison** – G. Pettey reported on the actions of the May 6 City Council meeting and thanked members for their input and efforts; she looked forward to seeing all the beautiful flowers in Kenai.

8. NEXT MEETING ATTENDANCE NOTIFICATION – September 8, 2020

9. COMMITTEE MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Committee Member Reed noted she looked forward to working in the flowerbeds.

Committee Member Wilson inquired about the wildflower garden.

It was clarified that the Parks and Recreation department intended to burn the soil this year in an effort to control some of the weeds and then hydro-seed the Field of Flowers garden in early June.

10. ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

11. INFORMATION – None.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Meeting summary prepared and submitted by:

 for

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