

**KENAI PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION  
SEPTEMBER 5, 2019 – 6:00 PM  
KENAI CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
CHAIR CHARLIE STEPHENS, PRESIDING**

**MEETING SUMMARY**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Stephens called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

**a. Pledge of Allegiance**

Chair Stephens led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Commissioners present: Chair C. Stephens, T. Wisniewski, J. Joanis, S. Kisena, T. Winger

Commissioners absent: J. Dennis, F. Perez

Staff/Council Liaison present: Parks & Rec Director B. Frates, Council Liaison H. Knackstedt

A quorum was present.

**c. Agenda Approval**

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Joanis **MOVED** to approve the agenda as presented and Commissioner Kisena **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. August 1, 2019

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Wisniewski **MOVED** to approve the meeting summary of August 1, 2019 and Commissioner Winger **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections; **SO ORDERED.**

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.**

## 6. NEW BUSINESS

### a. Discussion/Recommendation – September and October Events

The Parks and Recreation Director reported on two major events coming up in September and October. The first event scheduled was the Kenai River Marathon on September 29 with 121 runners currently registered to participate. He added that the number of participants may lessen due to this year's course not certified as a Boston Marathon qualifier. The second event was the Fall Festival on October 12. Parks and Recreation staff was currently seeking possible sponsors for the pumpkins and face painting. It was noted that Mountain View Elementary PTA may be interested in doing face painting. Other activities at the festival would include music, food trucks, a hay maze, petting zoo, hayride, and a Farmer's Market. It was mentioned that Pamela Parker had a photo booth that was very popular at other events.

## 7. REPORTS

### a. Parks and Recreation Director – The Parks and Recreation Director reported on the following:

- The Department was working on their 2<sup>nd</sup> Pathway of Poetry Contest, geared towards adults with the topic of "Man's Best Friend," noting the poems would be installed on the trail at Daubenspeck Park;
- A third Little Free Library station was donated and would also be installed at the Daubenspeck Park;
- The Dog Park Group was still working with Home Depot for a grant and was recently notified they were the recipient of a technical grant from the National Park System;
- Funds may be sought in FY21 budget for chain link dugouts to replace the wooden ones at the softball fields; and
- The Latter Day Saints Church would be performing 4-5 hours of community service on September 28.

### b. Commission Chair – Stephens thanked the Parks and Recreation Director for the Beautification tour and the additional fencing at the Lawton trail extension. He also thanked the Commission members for their participation.

### c. City Council Liaison – Knackstedt reported on the action items and presentations from the recent City Council meetings.

## 8. NEXT MEETING ATTENDANCE NOTIFICATION – October 3, 2019

Chairman Stephens noted he would not be in attendance.

## 9. COMMISSION QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

Commissioner Joanis reported on the Kenai Little League's Fall Ball Program.

Commissioner Winger reported that Mountain View Elementary would be sponsoring a bike rack and they would like it placed at the Visitor's Center.

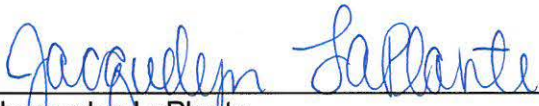
10. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT** – None.

11. **INFORMATION** – None.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Meeting summary prepared and submitted by:



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