

**KENAI PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION  
OCTOBER 3, 2019 – 6:00 PM  
KENAI CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
VICE-CHAIR GRANT WISNIEWSKI, PRESIDING**

**MEETING SUMMARY**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-Chair Wisniewski called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

**a. Pledge of Allegiance**

Vice-Chair Wisniewski led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Commissioners present: T. Wisniewski, J. Dennis, S. Kisen, T. Winger, J. Joanis

Commissioners absent: C. Stephens

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

A quorum was present.

**c. Agenda Approval**

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Winger **MOVED** to approve the agenda as presented and Commissioner Kisen **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. September 5, 2019**

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Kisen **MOVED** to approve the meeting summary of September 5, 2019 and Commissioner Dennis **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections; **SO ORDERED**.

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.**

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Discussion – Kenai Multi-Purpose Facility Improvements**

The Parks and Recreation Director noted the blue tarps on the Multi-Purpose Facility needed

replacement. He added staff was looking at different banners to hang in the facility to help improve the ambience as well, referring to some examples provided in the packet. The Director noted each banner would be 6 ft. x 10 ft. and placed over the players' bench. It was explained that the blue tarps were originally put up in advance at Kenai Central High School hockey games to help keep in the heat, while they also assisted in the summer in keeping the sun out. He noted that staff was looking at replacing the tarps with five retardant, vinyl tarps, with red being the preferred color.

## 7. REPORTS

- a. **Parks and Recreation Director** – The Parks and Recreation Director reported on the following:
  - Crews put in a pedestrian trail behind the Little League fields. This was a project that the Kenai Latter-Day Saints Church volunteers provided about 20 hours of labor to do;
  - The Department winterized restroom facilities and irrigation areas, as well as cleaning out flowerbeds;
  - As part of a restoration project, 15-20 small spruce trees were transplanted at the Lawton Dr. trail extension near the gate on the Kenai side. In addition, some Department of Transportation Right-of-Way grass seed will be used in that area;
  - The Fourth Annual Fall Pumpkin Festival was scheduled for October 12;
  - The Kenai River Marathon was this past weekend with over 200 registered runners; and
  - Staff removed and donated 148 pounds of kale to the Food Bank.
- b. **Commission Chair** – No report.
- c. **City Council Liaison** – Knackstedt reported on the action items and topics of interest from the September 18 City Council meeting.

## 8. NEXT MEETING ATTENDANCE NOTIFICATION – November 7, 2019

## 9. COMMISSION QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

Commissioner Joanis reported on a meeting held with various stakeholders with interest in promoting baseball in the community. She added that it was especially fascinating how the various organizations could work together creating opportunities and helping each other become successful. She noted that more dialogue was needed to promote softball and baseball on the Peninsula.


## 10. ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

## 11. INFORMATION – None.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting summary prepared and submitted by:

  
Jacquelyn LaPlante, Deputy Clerk

