

**KENAI PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION  
OCTOBER 1, 2020 – 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 6:00 p.m.

**a. Pledge of Allegiance**

Chair Stephens led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Commissioners present: C. Stephens, S. Kisena, J. Dennis, M. Bernard, T. Winger,  
J. Joanis, R. Tomrdle

Commissioners absent: T. Wisniewski

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

A quorum was present.

**c. Agenda Approval**

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Kisena **MOVED** to approve the agenda as presented and Commissioner Winger **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 6, 2020**

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Joanis **MOVED** to approve the meeting summary of May 7, 2020 and Commissioner Kisena **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections; **SO ORDERED**.

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.**

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Discussion – Parks Tour Follow-Up**

Director Frates thanked those members that attended the Parks Tour. Frates noted that the park

maintenance crew workers did an awesome job ensuring the town looked nice, particularly given the fact the department was shorthanded this summer.

Appreciation was expressed for the opportunity to see first-hand how the adult fields were continuing to be used after the softball season, i.e. Kenai Kennel Club hosting dog agility trials.

It was noted that being able to visit the park areas in person was valuable, and members were appreciative for the opportunity.

**7. REPORTS**

**a. Parks and Recreation Director –**

- The Kenai River marathon was a success despite COVID-19. Several changes were implemented, such as cancelling the spaghetti feed, requiring masks at the start line and limiting the number of registered runners.
- October 10 marks the date for the Fall Pumpkin Festival. Measures have been taken to make this a safe event as well. Notable changes this year include a change in location and format, i.e. more passive activities with exception to the Old Town Market occurring down the road from the Visitor’s Center.

a. **Commission Chair** – Thanked Director Frates for the Parks Tour and noted the work that goes into keeping areas maintained.

b. **City Council Liaison** – Discussed recent Council actions.

**8. NEXT MEETING ATTENDANCE NOTIFICATION** – November 5, 2020

**9. COMMISSION QUESTIONS & COMMENTS** – None.

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

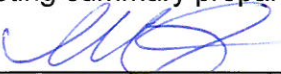
**11. INFORMATION**

a. Kenai Fall Pumpkin Festival Flyer

**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:

  
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