



Parks and Recreation Committee Minutes

Tuesday, May 11, 2021 12:00 p.m.
Harrigan Centennial Hall / Teleconference

Members: Chair – James Poulson, Sarah Lawrie, Barbara Morse,
Brandon Marx, Rich Krupa, Susan Compagno, Ben Hughey
Assembly Liaison: Kevin Mosher

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Poulson called the meeting to order at approximately 12:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: James Poulson, Sarah Lawrie (video conferenced), Rich Krupa, Ben Hughey, Brandon Marx (video conferenced),

Absent: Barbara Morse (excused absence), Susan Compagno (unexcused absence)

Assembly Liaison: Kevin Mosher (video conferenced)

Staff Present: Building, Grounds, and Parks Supervisor, Michael Colliver, and Deputy Clerk, Jess Earnshaw

Others: Sitka Trail Works Executive Director Lynne Brandon (video conferenced), National Park Service Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program Manager Zach Babb (video conferenced), National Park Service Community Service Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Planner Lizzy Dean (video conferenced), and Savannah Plank (video conferenced)

III. AGENDA CHANGES

None.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. April 13, 2021

M- Lawrie moved to approve the April 13, 2021 minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

V. REPORTS

Chair: None.

Members: None.

City Staff: Colliver reported that he met with user groups on the Lower Moller Field they discussed the improvements to the track and turf areas. He said that they installed a long jump, runway track, and a TELUS bar for the shot put and discus for the track and field. He reported that the Sitka High Track Team collected 620lbs of trash for their fundraiser during the City Clean up week.

Assembly Liaison: None

Other(s): Lynne Brandon with Sitka Trail Works gave an update on the cross trails, hike calendar was out, and that their spring fundraiser was underway.

VI. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (For items OFF the agenda - Not to Exceed 3 Minutes)

None.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

B. Sitka Cycling Club Pump Track

Colliver reported that the draft MOU was being reviewed by the Legal Department.

C. Upper Moller Field Use

Marx reported that the Upper Moller Field meeting had been rescheduled due to scheduling conflicts.

D. Lower Moller Field

Colliver reported that there was a user group that would like to make some track improvements.

E. Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan

Zach Babb and Lizzy Dean with National Park Service Rivers, Trails, and Conservation introduced themselves to the committee and gave an overview of what their entity would be able to provide. Hughey spoke to the comprehensive plan thought it could be a long-term vision.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

F. Operation of a mobile food truck at Moller and Kimsham ball field parking areas.

Chair Poulson invited Savannah Plank to give an explanation. She explained that that she would like to be allowed to a park mobile food truck at the Moller field parking area. She stated since there were no concessions for the high school games this year, that it was requested by parents to bring the hot dog cart for the baseball games. She said that they would be selling hot dogs, sausages, chips, water, and sodas.

M- Hughey moved to recommend endorsement of operation of a food truck at ball field parking areas since it does not appear to conflict with other concessions. Motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

IX. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (For items on or off the agenda - Not to Exceed 3 Minutes)

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting would be June 8, 2021 at noon in Harrigan Centennial Hall and via Zoom.

Hearing no objection, the Chair Poulson called the meeting adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

Attest:

Jess Earnshaw, Deputy Clerk

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