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# Parks and Recreation Committee Minutes

Tuesday, July 13, 2021 12:00 p.m.  
Harrigan Centennial Hall / Teleconference

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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, Ben Hughey, Barbara Morse (video conferenced), and Sara Lawrie (video conferenced)

Absent: Rich Krupa (excused), Brandon Marx (excused), and Susan Compagno (excused)  
Assembly Liaison: Kevin Mosher (excused)

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

Others: None.

## **III. AGENDA CHANGES**

None.

## **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

## **V. REPORTS**

Chair: None.

Members: None.

City Staff: Colliver told of completed work orders; prepped Kimsham Field C for Adult baseball. He reported on the vandalism of the restrooms and parks. He mentioned the City Hall parking lot tree and rock face sluffing along City Hall parking lot. A temporary barricade has been placed until the park service can address the issue. Thanked the Tree and Landscape Committee for their hard work weeding the parking lots around Sitka High School. Cross Trail brushing is underway by the grounds crew. Continue to work on operational comprehensive plan and lifecycle analysis.

Assembly Liaison: None.

Other(s): Ben Hughey with Sitka Trail Works gave an update on the cross trails.

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

None.

**VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. Sitka Cycling Club Pump Track**

Hughey reported that the (K.K.) Katherine was encouraged to get two Assembly sponsors to move forward with a new MOU.

**B. Upper Moller Field Use**

None.

**C. Lower Moller Field**

Colliver relayed no updates however there was another group that was looking at the Kimsham field property.

**D. Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan**

Hughey gave an update about a previous meeting regarding visioning goals; hoping to have more information on the next meeting.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**E. Commercial Use Permit Application**

**Hughey moved to recommend approval to the administrator for a permit for commercial recreational activity on city and borough lands for Alaska Seaplane Adventures at Warm Springs Bay as it has been determined that the use as proposed: 1. Will not pollute or degrade the environment, resources, facilities, or atmosphere of the area; and 2. Will not endanger the public health, safety, and welfare; and 3. Will not significantly interfere with the use and enjoyment of the area by other members of the public. Motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.**

Colliver explained about the permit on the Baranof Warm Springs site. Hughey questioned how many trips did they plan to do? Chair Paulson said that the board was only voting to recommend that Alaska Seaplane Adventures be allowed to dock at Baranof Warm Springs. Colliver explained that Alaska Seaplane Adventures that was utilizing a dock infrastructure, and what they were paying with us is the permit process was the upland access, and that the docking fees would be under the Ports and Harbors Department.

**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 August 10, 2021 at noon in Harrigan Centennial Hall and via Zoom.

Hearing no objection, the Chair Poulson called the meeting adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

Attest:  
Jess Earnshaw, Deputy Clerk