

**KENAI PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION  
JANUARY 4, 2018 – 7:00 PM  
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
VICE-CHAIR NOEL WIDMAYER, PRESIDING**

**MEETING SUMMARY**

**1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll was confirmed as follows:

Commissioners present: J. Joanis, S. Kisen, T. Wisniewski, N. Widmayer, J. Halstead

Commissioners absent: C. Stephens

Staff/Council Liaison present: Parks & Rec Director B. Frates, Council Member T. Navarre

A quorum was present.

**2. AGENDA APPROVAL**

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Joanis **MOVED** to approve the agenda as presented; Commissioner Halstead **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections; **SO ORDERED.**

**3. ELECTIONS OF THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

Commissioner Joanis nominated to re-appoint Commissioner C. Stephens as Chair and Commissioner N. Widmayer as Vice-Chair. There were no objections; **SO ORDERED.**

**4. APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY**

- a. December 7, 2017

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Joanis **MOVED** to approve the meeting summary of December 7, 2017 and Commissioner Halstead **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections; **SO ORDERED.**

**5. PERSONS SCHEDULED TO BE HEARD – None.**

**6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion – Pedestrian Trails

Parks and Recreation Director Frates asked for consideration be given to three areas for future trail construction plans. Areas previously discussed and needing prioritized included: Municipal Park, East End Trails and Ryan's Creek North. Frates noted that each area offered advantages and challenges but needed prioritized for future planning considerations. He further noted that

some of the important considerations should include: connectivity, high density areas, current use, and opportunities.

Commission members discussed merits of each location. It was recommended to prioritize the Municipal Park as first priority based on the following factors: connectivity to Old Town, historical relevance, proximity to large neighborhood and current opportunities.

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Joanis **MOVED** to place Municipal Park as the top priority; Commissioner Kisena **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections; **SO ORDERED.**

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. **Action/Approval** – Agenda Format Changes

Director Frates referred to the City Clerk’s memorandum and noted minor changes that would streamline the format for all committees and commissions.

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Halstead **MOVED** to approve the proposed agenda revisions; Commissioner Wisniewski **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections; **SO ORDERED.**

**8. REPORTS**

- a. **Parks and Recreation Director** – Frates reviewed the Activity Report as provided in the packet; noted the Skate with Santa event; the opening of Daubenspeck Pond for outdoor ice skating; the 2018 flower order; and planning for a Spring Pickle Ball Tournament.
- b. **Commission Chair** – None.
- c. **City Council Liaison** – Navarre reported on the recent actions taken by City Council and noted the City will be working on its annual budget.

**9. NEXT MEETING ATTENDANCE NOTIFICATION** – February 1, 2018

**10. COMMISSION QUESTIONS & COMMENTS**

The method of maintaining the outdoor rink was questioned. Director Frates described the process.

A question was asked about the Dipnet app.

**11. PERSONS PRESENT NOT SCHEDULED TO BE HEARD** – None.

**12. INFORMATION**

- a. Monthly Report
- b. Dipnet Report (2018)
- c. January MPF Ice Schedule

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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