

EAGLE RIVER/CHUGIAK PARKS & RECREATION  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
Regular Meeting Minutes – January 13, 2020

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Eagle River/Chugiak Parks & Recreation (ERCP&R) Board of Supervisors convened on Monday, December 9, 2019 at 7:07 p.m. at 12001 Business Blvd, Suite 170, Eagle River, Alaska. Chair Brian Fay called the meeting to order.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Mr. Brian Fay, Mayor's appointee

Ms. Alexandra Hill, Birchwood Community Council (pending Assembly approval)

Mr. Josh Ream, South Fork Community Council

Mr. Tony Sisto, Chugiak Community Council

Karen Richards, Manager

**III. MINUTES**

The December 2019 minutes were approved.

**IV. APPEARANCES - (none)**

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Harry J McDonald Center – Update**

We are waiting on December financials, which are due next week, to wrap up the (2019) year. The Zamboni quote came in at \$160,000. Karen will check with purchasing once end of year stuff is final, to see if we need multiple quotes – we may not. The Mac Center pickup was vandalized – someone drilled through the fuel tank to steal the fuel. They will be repairing it but don't have cost estimates yet.

**B. Park/Trail Oversight – Update.**

There is snow on the trails. For some reason Beach Lake doesn't get as much snow as many other areas – Bill is working it as little as possible to keep it usable. Skiers are out on the trails, including the Masters and Jr. Nordic

**C. FEMA / Quake repairs**

Karen is just going back and forth with FEMA questions on our various requests. She is also helping Anchorage with their projects. With staff turnover, Karen is one of the few who is familiar with the FEMA portal and processes.

**D. Parks & Rec Maintenance Storage Yard Site (Old Glenn)**

Soil samples should happen this month; hopefully by next month Karen will have preliminary drawings for the storage building. She had originally priced the building using a design used near the Sullivan arena – but that design had fabric vapor barrier walls, which will not work for our needs. That and other differences (floor drains, hot water, security cameras, smaller doors) will likely drive the price higher than originally estimated. She is working out the lease dynamics with HLB for the cell tower.


**E. Dog Park**

Hopefully in February Karen and Josh Durand can discuss this – we'd like to work with

Boutet Company (they did a south Anchorage dog park). Karen asks if we are agreed to move forward with Peters Creek. We agree that we don't need to go back to broader site selection; we discuss the other 'finalist' sites. Tony notes that as we move forward with Peters Creek, we keep in mind the other potential sites that still, in the long run, may become dog parks. But right now we are moving forward with Peters Creek.

- F. NW ¼ JEBER Compatible Lands Act Buffer Proposal –Update  
Karen has just received the appraisal report. The current value (before easement) is a bit over \$4.86 million. The estimated value after easement is \$4.44 million; therefore the market value of easement is \$420,000. We discuss whether that is worth an 'in perpetuity' easement. We are not interested in a forever lease; we want to know if we can specify a shorter term; all community councils need assurance that the money will come to the service area, or we are not interested.
- G. HLB – Rambler Road Property (24238) – No Update
- H. Carrol Creek Property Development: - No Update
- I. Beach Lake Lodge Roof  
The roof repairs will happen, but right now Karen is fixing broken windows, the floor, and other interior things. We will do the roof last. The pilings for the deck need to be fixed as well.
- J. Board Appointments  
Joshua Ream notes that his council was very interested in the question of whether all board members, or only the Mayor's appointee, need to be confirmed by the Assembly. Brian is looking into this but thinks clarification will need a legal opinion. Josh Durand is prepared to hear our concerns on this.
- K. Elections  
Brian thinks we should postpone elections for Board Chair and Vice Chair until March or April, when we will hopefully have resolved South Fork and Eagle River (and potentially Chugiak) representation.
- L. CIP for 2021  
The Assembly will want our CIP in May; Lexi asks for a preliminary plan in March that we could take to our Community Councils and get feedback for discussion at the April meeting.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.**

  
Brian Fay, Chair

2-10-2020

Date

  
Karen Richards, Manager

2-10-2020

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