



## **City of Unalaska | Department of Parks, Culture and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes for March 21, 2022**

Members present: Thomas Roufos, Jim Morris, Greg Peters, Andy Dietrick, Cameron Dean.

The Parks, Culture and Recreation Advisory Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on March 21, 2022, in the Art Room and by Phone adhering to social distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Recognized visitors to the meeting, Karen Kresh City Librarian

### **New Business**

Election of Officers—Thomas Roufos called for nominations from the Chair. Jim Morris nominated Thomas Roufos to continue as Board Chair. There was some discussion on if we needed a Vice Chair however the board believed that the make-up of the board was good the way it is now constituted. The vote was taken and Thomas Roufos was voted in as The Advisory Board Chair.

Karen Kresh made a presentation to the board on the library move and expansion project. She informed the board that the library was currently involved in the moving process. That the library at Burma Road Chapel would be opened by April 4, 2022. F&W Construction Company should start demolition on or about that date and that the new library should be completed by early 2023.

Karen then walked the Board through her Business Plan for the Library. She went through her goals, and addressed the 5% cuts that were asked by City Council and the impacts that would make to programing and book orders. She talked about the grants that had been obtained for the internet so the library could offer free WIFI. She said that while they were able to accommodate the cuts this year but it was unstainable in the long term. This would be the same with all the Divisions of PCR.

Cameron Dean Presented a change that could happen this year in the CMMP. In 2024, the CMMP plan called for a Parks and Recreation Master Plan to be developed. Cameron Made the point that the Master Plan should come first and be approved by City Council before we moved forward with all of the park's projects. The Advisory Board agreed and asked Cameron to try to move it forward in the CMMP.

This project will need to be reviewed in a larger context when we consider the multi-use facility or pool expansion. This is a project that could benefit from the geothermal project that is now underway with the City.

Thomas Roufos presented a Draft Copy of Bi-Laws for the Board. The Board wanted Roger to contact the High School to see if we could put a member from the Student Council as a member of the board and that Roger was to check with the High school to see if that was possible for the upcoming School

Year. In the next look at the Bi-Laws it was suggested that we add a communications section. The Bi-Laws will be reviewed again at the next meeting.

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Next regular scheduled meeting is on April 18, 2022

Meeting Adjourned at 7:30 p.m.