



City of Unalaska | Department of Parks, Culture and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes for November 4, 2019

Members present: Thomas Roufos, Jason Gates, Greg Peters, Michelle Murdock

The Parks, Culture and Recreation Advisory Board meeting was called to order by Thomas Roufos at 6:35 p.m. on September 16, 2019.

Recognized visitors to the meeting, Albert Burnham, Nick Cron and Delanney McConnell

New Business

Albert talked about the MLK celebration to a community dinner. He noted the information that Greg Peters had researched on community pot lucks and Albert said that we would make adjustments as needed. Albert asked if any of the Advisory Board knew of someone that would be willing to give the keynote address and volunteer at the MLK event.

Albert informed the Board that December 7th Christmas event was going to be busy and that we have not found a Santa for photos this year. We are still looking and wanted to know if anyone knew of someone that would volunteer to be Santa this year. Our regular Santa is off island this Christmas.

Delanney reported that we had 250 people participate in the pumpkin plunge. She said that it was a great event and the community really enjoyed the opportunity to be part of the event. Everyone received a pumpkin.

Delanney reported on the next event Bro's Day an all-male event with big rubber chickens to ride, food and fun. She is looking for additional volunteers to help with the event. It should be a great time.

Delanney also reported that in January the pool would open up a new time for youth swimmers from 3:30- 4:30 each day. This would be a free event to have children come and swim.

Thomas and Roger presented the information on the 2030 Comprehensive Plan and Survey. Most of the discussion was on the current CMMP projects with the future plans for others' desires of the community. One of the overwhelming desires of the community is to have a covered sports facility. The community wants the PCR focus to be on children and youth. In the community discussion we found that the way people answered the questions were dependent on what else may be offered for example the community didn't mind if we changed out the basketball floor with a rubberized floor but if we were going to build a covered sports facility they wanted the wooden floor to remain. They were all for rock climbing but did not want a climbing wall more of a bolder room.

The survey was successful and the City believes that we received a comprehensive sample of the community. This year the CMMP will reflect some of the desires of the community.

Old Business

Nick presented to the Board the playground bid documents for each playground scheduled to be bid and constructed this year. Bids are scheduled to go out to bidders on November 11, 2019 some of the playground equipment needed to be moved on the plan and would probably have to be field located.

Next meeting will be on January 13, 2020