



REGULAR MEETING

Parks and Recreation
Advisory Committee
(PRAC)

SPECIAL MEETING

COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY AND MINUTES

Meeting date: 2/24/2016

Time: 5:00 pm

Location: Library

Committee members present:

Chair person: Richard Chapell

Burl Sheldon, Meredith Pochardt, George Figdor, Richard Chapell, Thom Ely

Guests: Brad Ryan (interim Borough Manager), Shawn Bell (Harbormaster),
Lori Lapeyri Smith (Public)

Person filling out form: Richard Chapell

Topics of discussion:

- Add agenda item: Ski Club grooming equipment needs.
- Approve minutes from 1/27/2016 meeting, with no changes.
- Discuss Corvus Design's proposal dated 2/16/2016 for services to design a Haines waterfront walk, from Picture Point to Portage Cove State Recreation Area, and design Lookout Park in a new location on the SE corner of the expanded harbor parking lot, including pedestrian walkway transiting the harbor parking lot, and gather and integrate public comment on the design.
- Proposal to Planning and Zoning Commission to rezone as "Recreation" the Borough-owned downtown lot 8A, at the corner of 3rd Ave and Main St, for the purpose of creating a downtown public park. Possible uses for the park are an event space (weddings, farmer's market, concerts), and a place for cruise ship passengers to rest and take in the view.
- Parks & Rec members contribute their top priority 5 tasks listed in Chapter 8 of the Haines Borough 2025 Comprehensive Plan.
- Haines Ski & Hike Club needs a new trailer and snow machine to make the best use of the Ginsu snow groomer they purchased last year to groom cross-country ski trails.

Action Taken:

- M/S Sheldon/Ely, passed 5-0: Approve minutes from 1/27/2016.
- M/S Sheldon/ Pochardt, passed 5-0: Recommend that the Assembly approve a Borough Manager's CIP budget item to fund Corvus Design's proposal dated 2/16/2016 for a Haines waterfront walk design.
- M/S Ely/Figdor, passed 5-0: Committee members Ely and Sheldon will draft a proposal to rezone Borough-owned downtown lot 8A at the corner of 3rd Ave and Main St as recreation.
- M/S Figdor/Sheldon, passed 5-0: draft a proposal to the Planning and Zoning Commission to zone downtown Borough-owned lots 4A and 8A for recreation.

Next meeting date: March 16, 2016, 5 pm at the library.