



PARKS & RECREATION AGENDA

February 11, 2025 at 5:30 PM

DHMS commons/Zoom Webinar

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A. ROLL CALL

1. Tom Rutecki, Bonita Nelson, Elizabeth Balstad, Josh Anderson, Kristin Hochstoeger, Valerie Peimann

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. Agenda for 02/11/25

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. Draft Minutes 1/14/2025

D. AGENDA TOPICS

4. FY26 YAG Presentation

E. COMMITTEE MEMBER / LIAISON COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

5. PRAC
6. JAHC

F. NEXT MEETING DATE

7. March 11, 2025

G. ADJOURNMENT

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Youth Activities Board Meeting
City Hall, Room 237
January 14th, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.
<https://juneau.zoom.us/j/87416649837>
Meeting ID: 874 1664 9837
• 888 475 4499 US Toll-free

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Agenda

- I. **Roll Call**- Meeting called to order at 5:34pm by Chair Mr. Rutecki.
- II. **Members Present:** Bonita Nelson, Josh Anderson, Tom Rutecki, Valerie Peiman, Phil Heubschen, Kristin Hochstroeger
- III. **Members Absent:** Liz Balstad
- IV. **Staff Present:** Amanda Lovejoy; Recreation Coordinator ZGYC/Staff Liaison, Sydney Jones; Admin Assistant ZGYC/Staff Liaison
- V. **Approval of Agenda**- Mr. Anderson moves to approve agenda. No objection. Agenda approved.
- VI. **Public Comments on non-agenda items**- None.
- VII. **Approval of Minutes: 10/08/2024**- Mr. Anderson moves to approve the minutes. No objection. Minutes approved.
- VIII. **New Business**
 - a. **Contingency Grant – Amy Liddle.** Melinda and Joseph Liddle are present to answer any questions. Ms. Nelson stated that YAB has not given out any money from the contingency fund this fiscal year and doesn't believe YAB will be receiving many more requests before the fiscal year ends. Ms. Nelson also shared her concern with setting a precedent of fully funding grants. Mr. Anderson inquired if all funds from FY24 contingency grants were used. Ms. Lovejoy confirmed that all contingency grant funds from FY24 were used. Board agreed that given the lack of applicants for contingency grants YAB will fully fund Amy Liddle's contingency grant. No objections. Full contingency grant of \$2,587.80 awarded to Amy Liddle.
 - b. **Youth Activity Board seats – 2 vacancies**- Ms. Lovejoy stated that YAB has two applicants for the open board seats and expects that the board will be filled by YAB's next meeting on February 11th. One applicant was present, Lindsey Wold. Mr. Rutecki asked Ms. Wold to share a little about herself. Ms. Wold shared her interests in joining the YAB and members discussed their experiences working on the YAB and its importance to our community. Mr. Rutecki encouraged Ms. Wold to attend the next YAB meeting.
 - c. **Sub-Committee update**- Mr. Rutecki asked Ms. Nelson for an update on the sub-committee. Ms. Nelson shared that the goal of the sub-

committee is to clarify point values and reduce negative bias towards small groups. Ms. Nelson stated that she is gathering the boards rules and documentation but has no report at this time. The sub-committee consists of Ms. Nelson, Mr. Anderson, and Ms. Balstad.

IX.

a. PRAC- Mr. Anderson stated the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee published the commercial recreation use analysis of how parks are used in Juneau. Based on the recommendations from the parks analysis they decided to readdress the fee schedule and moved to approve the parks and recreation FY26 budget. Mr. Anderson noted that this is the first time that parks and recreation fees will go back into parks and recreation funded programs. Parks and recreation will be touring facilities in the valley on January 18th.

b. JAHC- Mr. Heubschen stated that the JAHC is postponing Aak'w Rock to 2026 due to staff constraints and the JAHC's desire to have more involvement from Tlingit and Haida. The JAHC is exploring hosting an event production and planning program to fill the time that would have been when Aak'w Rock was planned. This program is designed to train people in fields related to event production and planning as Juneau needs more people with those skills.

X. Board Comments

Ms. Hochstroeger confirmed with Ms. Nelson that the report on scoring grants will be available by the next meeting.

Ms. Nelson stated that the board has never received the comments that applicants are able to leave at the end of the process. Ms. Lovejoy was unaware of this and assured the board that she would look for these comments and share them. Ms. Nelson suggested not putting the applicant survey out until after the grant process is finished for FY26. Ms. Nelson also stated that having a fillable PDF application would be helpful for applicants seeing as that is the most common complaint the board receives.

Mr. Heubschen stated that he would share online grant application platforms with Ms. Lovejoy as she is trying to move the grant application to an online format for FY27.

Mr. Rutecki suggested adding the applicant survey questions to the February meeting invite. He thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

XI. Next Meeting – February 11, 2025

XII. Adjournment- Meeting adjourned at 6:26pm.