



Petersburg Borough

500 N 3rd Street
Petersburg, AK 99833

Meeting Minutes Petersburg Parks & Recreation Special Meeting: BMX Trail

Thursday, October 27, 2022

4:00 PM

Upstairs office at Parks &
Recreation

1. Call to Order / Roll Call

Those attending the meeting were

Sarah Fine-Walsh, Kacey Hammer, Michele Pfundt, Director Stephanie Payne Admin.
Theresa Craig

Guest: Pat Blair

2. Approval of Minutes

Special Meeting, no notes to approve.

3. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

No amendments to be made.

4. Visitor's Views Related to Agenda

There are no visitor's views related to the agenda.

5. Visitor's Views Unrelated to Agenda

There are no visitor's views unrelated to the agenda.

6. Director's Report

Special meeting so no director's report.

7. Unfinished Business

Special meeting, no unfinished business.

8. New Business

No new business.

9. Communication

Letters of support from Glo Wallen, Matt Kandol, Brian Smith, Thomas Fine-Walsh.

Facebook comments from community in favor of bike trail.

10. Discussion Items

Pat Blair gave a brief recap of the Bike Trail (BMX trail originally but cannot be called this due to legal issues) project brought to the board. Rock n Road has offered to build the trails on a donation basis on corner property of Sandy Beach and Haugen, roughly 100x300 yards. The property was donated to the Borough in 1974 for Recreational use. This area was chosen due to its proximity to the park that provides parking, restrooms, and picnic areas.

The dog shelter will not be impacted as it is roughly 300 feet away.

The need to do some brushing for clean up as it is very thick. Doing so will also let us know of any drainage issues. This would be done by volunteers of the community.

Track would be a Circuit track (circle with paths crossing) with jumps sporadically placed. 6-8 feet wide, dirt track with intentions or working around any sensitive areas. Director Payne spoke with Fish & Game; they see no issue with habitat issues in the nearby creek.

Burn pile vs chipper, the chipper can recycle to track. Landscape material would be used, stumps used to help create jumps.

Public Works Reported there is a water and sewer line that could be floating. Currently working on solutions.

Rock n Road will acquire the dig permit to inspect the lines, should not be a issue. No heavy equipment expected to be used.

Pat and Rock n Road hope to have approval and completion by June 2023.

Board member Michele Pfundt inquired about insurance for the trail. Director Payne has already contacted insurance provider and is waiting to hear back from them.

Michele Pfundt asked how to address the Assembly and it was agreed by all to write a letter and submit for next meeting. Director Payne has already been working on a resolution to submit.

Motion was made to have Parks & Rec Advisory Board express interest in support of the Bike Park.

Motion was seconded by Board member Kacey Hammer, and all voted yes.

Letter was rough drafted on the spot with intention of grammar corrections and will be submitted at next Assembly meeting.

11. Adjourn