



Petersburg Borough

500 N 3rd Street
Petersburg, AK 99833

Meeting Agenda Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

4:00 PM

Parks & Recreation Upstairs
Office

1. Call to Order / Roll Call

2. Approval of Minutes

A. Minutes will be handed out at meeting.

3. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

4. Visitor's Views Related to Agenda

A. Aquatic Supervisor Scott Burt will update us on Indoor Triathlon and Upcoming Swim lessons.

5. Visitor's Views Unrelated to Agenda

6. Director's Report

A. Director Payne updates us from 10.29.25 - current.

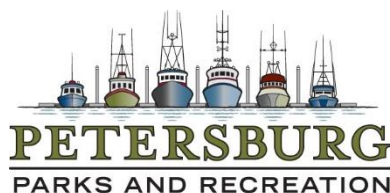
7. Unfinished Business

8. New Business

9. Communication

10. Discussion Items

11. Adjourn



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Stephanie Payne ~ Happy New Year!

OPERATIONS

- Our Halloween event went very well; we had approximately 70 patrons and could have used more pumpkins! Hammer & Wikan, as well as Petersburg IGA donated pumpkins! It was a nice and welcomed change to just do the Pumpkin Plunge with food and movie afterwards. Thank you, Ambre, for helping with the food with Chrystine and me. Julie and guards/front desk held down the gym side, with Scott and guards on plunge detail. We would like to keep this same event programming in future.
- Dive-In Movies are still a hit! We have our movie line up and advertise via FB and around the facility – and word of mouth!!
- 2025 Jingle & Mingle was another great event! Thank you to our advisory board members for jumping in to assist! Hammer and Wikan donated the food and drinks, while Petersburg Pet Center donated some treats for visitors to take home. We saw a lighter crowd this time but all who came really enjoyed the evening with Santa, PD, and games.
- Staff have been amazing at helping to keep facility safe with snow removal and upkeep! We have also received assistance from PW. Groundskeeper Daniel Pust has been working with PW to keep funeral services possible.
- New facility schedules are available everywhere! Please send folks to our FB page, website, or view fliers around the facility to see what has changed for availability.
- The school will be using our gym for this 2nd half of the school year, leaving us with more opportunities to schedule pool time for the public (albeit there will be less public gym time during the day).
- We have increased our rental fees (not membership fees) and updated our passholder agreement, both have been in effect since Jan.5th. The passholder agreement is available on our website for viewing, as well as our current rental rates.
- Youth Volleyball with Coach Chrystine has begun! Looking forward to another wonderful season!

- A lifeguard course is coming up on Jan. 30th – Feb 1st . Any interest needs to be sent to Scott for inclusion in the course. Reminder: taking the course does not guarantee employment.
- Per our partnership with AMSEA, we will be hosting a Drill Conductor course, taught by AMSEA Instructor Reba Temple, on Sat. Feb 7th, 8a – 6p. Registration is through AMSEA website.
- Swimming lessons will begin in February, with a swim assessment scheduled during a Parent Tot swim session to help us to get new swimmers in the correct course offerings. Contact Scott for more scheduling information and send adult LTS interest to me.
- If anyone is interested in coaching soccer – please contact Julie Anderson so that programming can be arranged in time for a late spring/early summer season!
- On April 4th I will be instructing an AK Water Wise course (with optional certification) with elements of a Suddenly In Command course alongside Katy Pendell from AMSEA. This will be a Rainforest Survival Series offering and free to the public! Local knowledge will be invited to help lead sections of the course.

MAINTENANCE

- Continued conversations with RESPEC Engineering and contractors for Aquatic sewer repair. We have negotiated lower bid amounts but will sustain an increase in engineering fees (although they are minimal). We have just received 1 unanimous yes vote for a resolution to inject \$300K from General Fund into the Aquatic Center Fund to support moving forward with the bid award and project. Two more Assembly meetings and votes are needed for resolution to pass. Final vote will be on Feb 2, 2026. Project to commence end of April and last through summer. Full facility offerings are planned but no guarantees. We will do our very best.
- Jim Refeldt conducted his audit Nov 22nd thru 26th . He knew that we had Convergent coming and reached out to Kyle Hardwick (Convergent) for more information knowing that he would be visiting next. He also provided him a checklist of items that he noticed needed attention. We have just received his draft report, final report to follow soon.
- Kyle Hardwick from Convergent visited us and the school per our contract, on Dec. 1st thru 4th . He reviewed Jims's list and worked on mentioned software programming. He worked with Brandon throughout his visit, teaching Brandon a tremendous amount regarding our system and HVAC's in general. He has and is sending parts for repairs as we have many sensors not working on both sides of facility. He has sent 2 reports and included Jim in his emails.
- Aquatic sewer is still an issue and continues to deteriorate. We are experiencing frequent foul smells in Family locker room and are now unable to use our office

sink as it drains into the same system and is coming up through floor cleanout in said locker room.

- We helped to receive an additional \$11K for repairs to the ballfield from windstorm damage earlier this fall. Part of the repairs have been completed to secure the bleacher roof before snowfall. Further repairs will be completed in the spring.

This concludes my report, please present any questions you may have.