



KENAI RIVER

Special Management Area

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ADVISORY BOARD

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Kenai River Special Management Area Advisory Board

Draft Minutes

Thursday, November 18th, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Roll Call-Joe Connors, Ron Rogalsky, William Tappan, Glen Arundell, Monte Roberts, Ted Wellman, Joel Todd, Brent Hubbert, Andy Loranger and Jack Blackwell
- B. Minutes Approval-Minutes were approved as written
- C. Agenda Changes and Approval- Agenda was approved as written
- D. Public Comment-None
- E. Presentations-None

II. REPORTS

A. Agency and Government Reports

- a. State Parks –Superintendent Jack Blackwell reported that State Park staff has completed the 2021 season of fuel reduction in several park units. The Forest Service is currently working on tree removal at Morgan’s Landing.
- b. DEC – Sarah Apsens written report contained that DEC conducted a water quality monitoring project this past summer on the Kenai River. The 2021 Kenai Beach bacteria monitoring results are posted on the Alaska Beach Program webpage (<https://dec.alaska.gov/water/water-quality/beach-program/>) DEC is working with the Alaska SeaGrant program on a Clean Vessels funded project to address marine sewage management issues in Alaskan small boat harbors.
- c. ADF&G – No Report
- d. USF&WS – Andy Loranger reported that Jim’s Landing is at the 95% design phase and construction is slated to start in fall of 2022.
- e. USFS - Marion Glaser/Francisco Sanchez- No Report
- f. City of Kenai – Lisa Gabriel reported that the Dipnet Report 2021 report is available.
- g. City of Soldotna – Joel Todd reported that as of October 31, 2021, all City of Soldotna Campground are closed for the season.
- h. Kenai Peninsula Borough - Brent Hibbert-reported that the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly held elections. Brent Johnson is the new vice president and Brent Johnson is the vice president.

B. Committee Reports

- a. President’s Report
- b. Guide Advisory – Monte Robert reported that the committee met and discussion pass violation, Kenai River Guide Stipulations and guide number for the 2021 season.
- c. Habitat Committee-Jack Buban held a committee meeting. The committee discussed what the habitat committee should do, issues they should identify such as common themes and issues, erosion issues, update on comp plan and standardize studies.

- d. River Use Bill Tappan reported that the committee discussed Mr. Deal concerns, To many guides in the middle river, taxi services to the bank, boater's education and salmon stamp.
- d. Legislative/Government Activities-Ben Mohr committee reported that the committee discussed the salmon stamp, budget EVOS monies used for Eagle Rock and Ben's resignation from the board.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Board Elections-Bill Tappan made a motion to elect Ted Wellman as chair of the KRSMA board. Joe Connor second the motion.
The motion passed unanimously

Bill Tappan made a motion to elect Joe Connors and vice chair of the KRDMS board.
Monte second the motion.
The motion passed unanimously.

IV. NEW BUSINES

V. CORRESPONDENCE

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

VII. BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT: Next Meeting: January 13th, 2022

The recording meeting can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o17I-l9QdBE>