

CITY OF WASILLA

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INFORMATION MEMORANDUM NO. 91-06

TO: Council

FROM: Mayor Stein

DATE: May 1, 1991

RE: Use of School Building

Bruce Urban, Manager of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Ice Rink and Rick Pitta of the Frontier Hockey School have asked if the Wasilla School Building could be used to house summer youth hockey school participants. The week-long school sessions will be held in June and July. The school would house 30 age-grouped students for each of the three one-week schools. A minimum of 8 adult staff will supervise the program.

I have tentatively suggested the use of the "Coast Guard Auxiliary" room and the three Headstart rooms. They will be vacant for the summer. The hockey school would have to make arrangements with Headstart for use of their kitchen equipment.

The hockey school would pay rent and the cost of extraordinary services.

There are, of course, a great many details to work out. A permit for use would be signed which would require insurance protecting the City.

I wanted to advise Council of this request early. The temporary use permit would be authorized by the Mayor under WMC 7.16.060.

John C. Stein, Mayor

Enclosure: Pitt letter of 4-21-91



Mayor John Stein 290 East Herning Ave Wasilla, Alaska 99687

Dear Mayor Stein:

I am writing you on behalf of the Next Frontier Hockey School Base Camp in Wasilla. We are requesting the use of Wasilla Elementary School for our housing and cooking facilities. The duration of the camp will be 3 weeks, the last week in June and the middle 2 weeks of July.

I have put a lot of preparation into establishing a camp of this magnitude, over the past several years. The Wasilla area is the final ingredient to make this camp ideal. The Wasilla area is a neutral area in the state of Alaska, not to mention a beautiful and pleasant city.

I am expecting to draw youth hockey players from the entire state as well as players from the lower 48. I plan on bringing 102 youth hockey players through Wasilla in the 3 weeks of the camp. This hockey camp will be the first of its kind and will start a new era of summer hockey in the state of Alaska.

Upon talking with Bruce Urban of your borough, the facilities that are available sound ideal to compliment the operation of the hockey camp. I have heard and seen many wonderful things in and about the city of Wasilla, when visiting Mr. Urban over the past 5 years. I understand that there are many important and detailed policies within the Mat-Su Borough concerning safety and I can guarantee you that my first 2 priorities will be, safety for the participants and staff, and equally as important, the proper use and guidence of your Borough policies. I understand the importance of this issue because I once worked for the Fairbanks North Star Borough.

I hope my excitement to bring this hockey school to Wasilla is equal to yours. I think this situation can lead towards huge things in the future for Wasilla and hockey. I look forward to speaking with you soon about the possibilities of using your facilities for 3 weeks this summer.

Sincerely, And Putter

Richard Pitta

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