Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Commission
Minutes

Tuesday, July 12, 2022, 11:30 AM

City Council Overflow Room CH-116
203 Main Avenue East- Twin Falls, Idaho

Members: Kirk Melton, Chairperson; Jade Titus, Vice-Chairperson; Debbie VanEngelen, Corey King; Kevin Jensen; Ashley Squires; Micheal Metcalf; Heather Muth; Sherry Murray

1) Confirmation of Quorum/Call Meeting to Order

Kirk Melton called the meeting to order at 11:38 a.m. A quorum was present.

Members Present: Kirk Melton, Chairperson; Jade Titus, Vice-Chairperson; Debbie VanEngelen (joined at 11:44 a.m.), Corey King; Ashley Squires; Micheal Metcalf; Heather Muth (online); Sherry Murray
Members Absent: Kevin Jensen
Council liaison (present): Craig Hawkins
Staff Present: Wendy Davis, Parks and Recreation Director; Chance Munns, Parks Superintendent, Stacy McClintock, Recreation Supervisor; John Pauley, Aquatics Supervisor; Elois Joseph, Parks Administrative Assistant.

2) Consent Calendar

a) Request to approve the meeting minutes from the Parks and Recreation Commission June 14, 2022, meeting.

b) Request to remove tree at City Park

This item was discussed under “Items of Consideration” before the request to approve recommended City Pool fee adjustments.

Discussion ensued regarding the existing plaque and what the process would be for handling the donation plaque once the tree was removed. An appropriate process was discussed.

MOTION: Micheal Metcalf moved to approve the removal of the tree with the action that the Parks department choose an appropriate replacement, the city contact the donor family and the donor family are given the option of being involved in the process of tree selection, if desired. The plaque will remain with the new tree. Sherry Murray seconded the motion. Roll call vote determined all present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 8 to 0.

c) Request to remove tree at Frontier Park

d) Request to remove tree at Harry Barry Park

e) Consider a request from Lori Calico to donate a bench along the Canyon Rim Trail in memory of Calvin Calico.

Micheal Metcalf requested to remove item b from the consent calendar for further discussion.

MOTION: Micheal Metcalf moved to approve the consent calendar with the exception of item b). Corey King seconded the motion. Roll call vote determined all present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

Debbie VanEngelen joined the meeting in person at 11: 44 a.m.

3) Items of Consideration

a) Request to approve recommended City Pool fee adjustments.

John Pauley presented the item, including the following:

- The request to have two new categories for "children" for daily admissions and punch passes.
- Including the tower-inflatable rental category.

Discussion ensued regarding past fee increases at the City Pool.

Having City employee benefits extend to City recognized boards and commissions was discussed. Staff was requested to include this as an item for discussion and deliberation at the next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting.

MOTION: Corey King moved to approve the item as presented. Sherry Murray seconded the motion. Roll call vote determined all present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 8 to 0.

b) Continue park philosophy discussion

4 Categories for facilities that were discussed at a previous meeting was mentioned: Does the event

1) Restrict access to public for profit
2) Restrict access to public for fundraiser
3) Open access to public for profit

4) Open access to public for fundraiser

Leasing property was discussed as a possible method to accommodate atypical requests. The arrangement would ensure that the City is indemnified from any liability from the event or event participants.

Staff was requested to compile information and data from the City of Boise and other cities to help analyze fee structures and categories that could be considered for policies for the use of facilities and parks in City of Twin Falls.

Current fee structures and arrangements for groups or individuals requesting use of public property for private gain was discussed. The ability to create profit-sharing agreements with these groups was mentioned. An example of tennis lessons were given.

Cost-benefit analysis of the use of the facility, specifically in consideration of requests at Shoshone Falls and Dierkes Lake, including impact to roads, restrooms, trash, etc. were mentioned.

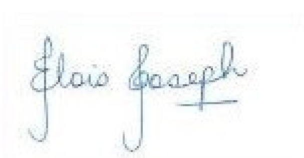
c) Site visit to Baxter's Park

4) Department Updates

a) Department updates

5) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:41 p.m. to the site visit at Baxter’s Park. No decisions will be made, and the meeting will not re-convene.



Elois Joseph, Recording Secretary