



Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes

Tuesday, April 11, 2023, 11:30 AM

Council Chamber Overflow Room
203 Main Avenue East- Twin Falls, Idaho

Members: Kirk Melton, Chairperson; Jade Titus, Vice-Chairperson; Debbie VanEngelen, Corey King; Ashley Squires; Micheal Metcalf; Heather Muth; Todd Shaw; Christiana Sipe-Pauley.

1) Confirmation of Quorum/Call Meeting to Order

Kirk Melton called the meeting to order at approximately 11:28 a.m. A quorum was present.

Members present: Kirk Melton, Chairperson; Jade Titus, Vice-Chairperson (online; left at 12:51 p.m.); Debbie VanEngelen (joined 11:52 a.m., left at 12:56 p.m.); Ashley Squires; Micheal Metcalf; Heather Muth; Todd Shaw; Christiana Sipe-Pauley.

Members absent: Corey King

Council liaison (present): Craig Hawkins

Staff present: Mitch Humble, Deputy City Manager; Wendy Davis, Parks and Recreation Director; Chance Munns, Parks Superintendent; John Pauley, Aquatics Supervisor; Elois Joseph, Parks Administrative Assistant.

2) General Public Input

There was no general public input at this meeting.

3) Consent Calendar

- a) Request to approve the meeting minutes from the March 14, 2023, Parks and Recreation Commission meeting

MOTION: Micheal Metcalf moved to approve the consent calendar as presented. Heather Muth seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted. Kirk Melton, yes; Jade Titus, yes; Ashley Squires, yes; Micheal Metcalf, yes; Heather Muth, yes; Todd Shaw, yes; Christiana Sipe-Pauley, yes. Approved 7 to 0.

4) Items of Consideration

- a) Introduction of New Commissioners, Christiana Sipe-Pauley and Todd Shaw

Staff and Commissioners introduced themselves. New Commissioners Todd Shaw and Christiana Sipe-Pauley introduced themselves.

b) Parks and Recreation Commission Duties and Responsibilities Overview

Wendy Davis presented the item, including the following:

- The jurisdiction and purview of the Parks and Recreation Commission.
- General meeting guidelines were discussed.
- The voting/motion process was discussed.
- The commissioners were reminded that the meetings are public, live-streamed, and recorded.

c) Recreation Center Presentation

Wendy Davis led a presentation on the Recreation Center, including the following:

- the role of the Recreation Center Ad Hoc Committee.
- The past and current progress of the Committee.
- Potential layouts and amenity options for the Recreation Center.

Discussion ensued regarding the presentation for the Recreation Center at the City Council meeting. Wendy Davis and Councilmember Hawkins provided clarification regarding the decision made by City Council.

The bonding process was discussed.

A brief discussion ensued regarding the location of the Recreation Center.

d) Recommend Parks and Recreation Commission Liaison to Mayor Pierce to Serve on Recreation Center Ad Hoc Committee.

Kirk Melton opened the floor for nominations for the liaison from the Parks and Recreation Commission to serve on the Recreation Center Ad Hoc Committee. The Parks and Recreation Commission will recommend individuals, the mayor would appoint the liaison.

Ashley Squires volunteered to serve on the Recreation Center Ad Hoc Committee.

Christiana Sipe-Pauley volunteered to serve on the Recreation Center Ad Hoc Committee. It was clarified that Christiana's schedule may not be as flexible on Tuesdays, which is when the committee meets.

Discussion ensued regarding the role of the liaison. The role of the liaison is to keep the Parks and Recreation Commission apprised of the Recreation Center Ad Hoc Committee's progress and/or decisions.

MOTION: Micheal Metcalf moved that the Parks Commission recommend that Ashley Squires and Christina Sipe-Pauley both be forwarded to the mayor for approval to the Recreation Center liaison position. Jade Titus seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted. Kirk Melton, yes; Jade Titus, yes; Debbie VanEngelen, yes; Ashley Squires, yes; Micheal Metcalf, yes; Heather Muth, yes; Todd Shaw, yes; Christiana Sipe-Pauley, yes. Approved 8 to 0.

5) Department Updates

a) Department Updates April 2023

Chance Munns gave an update on Parks, including the following:

- Some playground swings at parks have been removed for the replacement of the chains for safety.
- Restrooms are set to open for the season.
- Playground parts at various locations have been inspected and replaced if needed.
- Spring-Summer reservations and special events, the increase in the number of requests was mentioned.
- Earth Day celebration on April 22, 2023. Commissioners were invited to join and participate. Activities were discussed.

John Pauley gave an update on the City Pool, including the following:

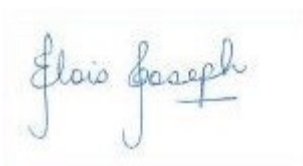
- Pump room and pool recommendations for the pool were completed.
- Program for homeschoolers at the pool has been a success.
- Currently hiring lifeguards for Dierkes Lake and the City Pool for the Summer season.
- Increased options for swim lesson programs.
- The bubble takedown will occur after Memorial Day.
- Swim lesson report cards are moving to a digital process.
- Private swim lessons are now an online process.

Wendy Davis gave the director's report, including the following:

- Anticipation for potential for high flows at Shoshone Falls.
- Ticket-booth applicants needed.

6) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:02 p.m.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Elois Joseph". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line under the last part of the name.

Elois Joseph, Recording Secretary