



Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes

Tuesday, April 9, 2024, 11:30 AM

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

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

1) Confirmation of Quorum/Call Meeting to Order

Kirk Melton called the meeting to order at approximately 11: 39 a.m. A quorum was present.

Members Present: Kirk Melton, Chairperson; Debbie VanEngelen, Corey King; Ashley Squires; Micheal Metcalf; Olyvia Meyer; Todd Shaw (online); Christiana Sipe-Pauley

Members Absent: Jade Titus, Vice-Chairperson

Council liaison (present): Cherie Vollmer

Staff present: Wendy Davis, Parks and Recreation Director; Chance Munns, Parks Superintendent; Steve Meyerhoffer, Golf Course Manager; Morgan Mitchell, Economic Development Administrative Assistant.

Guests present: none

2) General Public Input

There was no general public input at this meeting.

3) Consent Calendar

a) Request to approve the March 12, 2024, Parks and Recreation Commission meeting minutes.

MOTION: Corey King moved to approve the item as presented. Micheal Metcalf seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted. Kirk Melton, yes; Debbie VanEngelen, yes; Corey King, yes; Ashley Squires, yes; Micheal Metcalf, yes; Olyvia Meyer, yes; Todd Shaw (online), yes; Christiana Sipe-Pauley, yes. Approved 8 to 0.

New Commissioner, Olyvia Meyer, was welcomed and introduced. Commissioners and staff introduced themselves.

4) Items of Consideration

a) Golf Course - Annual Report

Steve Meyerhoffer presented the Annual Report, including the following:

- Increase in golf course use.
- 2023 is the busiest season, historically
- Golf leagues, both men and women are full.
- Junior Golf calendar shared
- Sprinkler system may need to be replaced in the next 10 years.
- Maintenance equipment discussed.
- Parking lot was chip sealed and oiled last year.
- Discussion ensued regarding the financials of the operation.
- Friends with Muni is no longer an event. This event has been replaced with the John Wilson Scholarship Pro Am.
- Clarification of the financial relationship between the City and the Golf Course was provided.

b) Continue Discussion on Amendments to the City's Tree Ordinance and Tree Selection Guide

Chance Munns shared that City Council was in favor to work on modifying the current tree ordinance. Discussion ensued.

Commissioners requested further investigation on the following with regard to the ordinance:

- Malicious injury to property
- Timber trespass

Right of way responsibilities were discussed.

Staff were tasked with creating a proposed ordinance change for the Commission to review at a later meeting.

c) Twin Falls Arbor Day

Chance Munns discussed the following:

- City will be celebrating Arbor Day on Monday, April 29th, 2024 at 10 a.m. with the planting of four new trees at the Courtney Conservation Park.
- Twin Falls High School Service Leadership Class will bring 25 students to help with this project. They will also help with spreading granite on the pathway.
- Proclamation to be signed at City Council meeting on April 15th.

5) Department Updates

a) Department Updates will be provided at the meeting.

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

- Season staff hires
- Restrooms and Concessions are in progress or re-opening
- Harrison Park under construction – restroom, play equipment, climbing boulder.

Wendy Davis presented the update for Recreation, and the directors report including the following:

- Spring Soccer season has commenced.
- Increase in recreation participation from prior years
- Signups for Youth Baseball and softball open
- Shoshone Falls ticket booth re-opening for the season
- ISDA closure for quagga mussels in the Snake River is still impacting Shoshone Falls Park boat access. Pillar Falls to Broken Bridge still remains closed.
- Year 27 of being Tree City USA
- Shoshone Falls After Dark light show under lease agreement, to share a percent of funds with the City.
- Community Transformation grant for Harmon Park
- Vista Bonita Park public information/ open house for community feedback

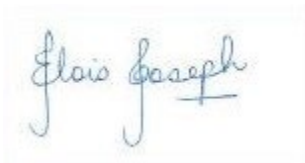
Discussion ensued regarding portables and trash pickup contract with PSI

Commissioner Sipe-Pauley requested an update on the Recreation Center, this update will be included in the Director's Update at the next meeting. A brief synopsis on the progress with the Recreation Center was provided.

Discussion ensued regarding where the public could receive project updates on facility improvements. The input process for equipment, such as playground amenities, was discussed.

6) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:38 p.m.



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