



Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes

Tuesday, November 12, 2019, 11:30 AM

City Council Chambers
203 Main Avenue East- Twin Falls, Idaho

Members: Chairman, Z J Martinez; Vice-Chairman, Chance Munns; Richard Birrell; Sherry Murray; Gabe Ostyn; Brian Rice; Kirk Melton; Amanda Nussbaum; Marc Lambert.

1) Confirmation of Quorum/Call Meeting to Order

JZ Martinez called the meeting to order at 11:40 AM

A quorum was present.

Committee Members present: Gabe Ostyn, Kirk Melton, Richard Birrell, Sherry Murray, Chance Munns, Brian Rice, ZJ Martinez, Marc Lambert.

Committee Members absent: Amanda Nussbaum

Council Member present: Nikki Boyd

Staff present: Wendy Davis, Kevin Skelton, Stacy McClintock, John Pauley, Nikki Miller

2) Consent Calendar

MOTION: Chance Munns moved to remove Action Item B from the consent calendar to 3) Items of Consideration. Sherry Murray seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 to 0.

a) Approve meeting minutes of October 8 and 22, 2019

MOTION: Brian Rice moved to accept the meeting minutes of October 8, 2019. Richard Birrell seconded the motion. Motion passed 6 in favor, 1 abstain. Motion passed.

MOTION: Gabe Ostyn moved to accept the meeting minutes of October 22, 2019. Brian Rice seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 to 0.

b) Consider request to remove a tree located at City Park
Item was moved to Items of Consideration

3) Items of Consideration

- a) Consider request to remove a tree located at City Park

Chance Munns requested to move this item to gain more clarification on why the location for the Archway was chosen. Another 10 feet to the southwest where there is walkway and a little bit more open space so that the tree would not have to be taken out. Kevin explained the process and the location was picked as it would cause the least amount of damage. Chance referred to the area where the telephone box for a telephone phone was, which has since been abandoned, if that couldn't work for the structure base. Chance's concern is to save the tree if possible. Also, Mitch explained that the County Commissioners were very specific as to where it could be located on the County's side of the road. The future plans for the expansion of the jail is a major factor in determining the location for the Archway. More discussion followed.

MOTION: Richard Birrell moved to remove a tree located at City Park. Brian Rice seconded the motion. Motion passed 5 to 2.

- b) Presentation by Arnel Culum regarding park improvements

Presentation was tabled as the presenter did not show up.

- c) Update on Park Dedication discussion

Mitch Humble shared with the Commissioners that as part of an Impact Fee discussion the park dedication process was reviewed. Council agreed that staff should pursue switching from a park dedication requirement to using impact fees for park development. Mitch referred to Title 10 of the City Code which was amended to include a neighborhood park dedication requirement when residential subdivisions are developed. This Code section allows the City to accept fees in-lieu of park dedication, should the City Council determine that actual park dedication would not be appropriate for the proposed subdivision. The Code also encourages park land dedication to be combined with subdivision retention/detention improvements. Title 10 of the City Code was amended to include required impact fees that are paid by new construction for various types of City infrastructure. The park impact fee is more for community parks not for neighborhood parks. Planning and Zoning staff are currently working on a re-write of the Code and will be addressing the park dedication section and the impact fee section. It is recommended to move away from the neighborhood park dedication requirement and implement an impact fee program for all parks. Discussion followed.

d) Facility Enhancement Assignment

Wendy reminded the Commissioners about the Stack Rock group that came and presented the three parks that were started in conjunction with the Master Plan.

The next three parks that are being looked at are: The Evel Knievel Jump site which has a 1 acre turn around spot/parking area, Frontier Field park and Sunrise park. Wendy wants the Commission to decide how to give input as far as programming goes in regards to possible themeing, location and where we are. In the past Wendy has asked the Commissioners to go out and look at the specific parks and familiarize themselves with the park and compare the park with the Master Plan and how the parks stacked up with the Master Plan. Wendy would like to have something out their before long term planning begins in February and be more prepared for that. Chance gave some input on how his students pursue gathering information for projects from speaking to people in the neighborhood, the City and others. There is an inventory analysis piece that gets the group started. Look at the functional spaces and then give it to the creative designers to develop the space. The Commissioners indicated that they all should be given the opportunity to look and investigate the parks and come back to the table with their input.

4) Department Updates

N/A

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N/A

5) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:50 PM