



Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Commission Agenda

Tuesday, March 10, 2020, 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
- 2) Consent Calendar
 - a) **ACTION ITEM:** Approve the minutes of the February 11, 2020 Commission Meeting
By: Nicolette Miller
- 3) Items of Consideration
 - a) **INFORMATIONAL:** Twin Falls Golf Club Annual Report
By: Steve Meyerhoeffer
 - b) **PRESENTATION:** Friends of Muni Golf Tournament
By: Steve Meyerhoeffer
 - c) **INFORMATIONAL:** Project and Budget Update
By: Wendy Davis
- 4) Department Updates
 - a) Department updates
- 5) Adjournment

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Public Input Procedures

- 1.** Individuals wishing to provide public input regarding matters relevant to the City of Twin Falls shall
 - wait to be recognized by the Mayor or Chairman
 - approach the microphone/podium
 - state their name and address, and whether they are a resident or property owner in the City of Twin Falls, and proceed with their input.
 - 2.** The Chairman may limit input to no less than two (2) minutes. Individuals are not permitted to give their time to other speakers.
- * Any person not conforming to the above rules may be prohibited from speaking. Persons refusing to comply with such prohibitions may be asked to leave the hearing and, thereafter removed from the room by order of the Chairman.



Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2020
To: Parks and Recreation Commission
From: Nicolette Miller

ACTION ITEM

Request:

Approve the minutes of the February 11, 2020 Commission Meeting

Time Estimate:

Background:

Approval Process:

Budget Impact:

Regulatory Impact:

History:

N/A

Analysis:

N/A

Conclusion:

Attachments:

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Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes

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1) Confirmation of Quorum/Call Meeting to Order

ZJ Martinez called the meeting to order at 11:43 AM

A quorum was present.

Commissioners present - Sherry Murray, Kirk Melton, ZJ Martinez, Brian Rice, Chance Munns, Gabe Ostyn

Commissioner absent - Marc Lambert, Amanda Nussbaum

Staff present - Wendy Davis, Mitch Humble, John Pauley, Kevin Skelton, Nikki Miller

Staff absent - Stacy McClintock

Council present - Greg Lanting

2) Consent Calendar

Kirk Melton requested to move item 2 b) from consent calendar to the items of consideration for discussion.

MOTION: Sherry Murray moved to approve minutes as written. Brian Rice seconded the motion. Motion passed 5 to 0.

- a) Approve the minutes from the January 14, 2020 meeting
- b) Consider request to remove a tree located at 552 3rd Ave. N.
This item was moved to Items of Consideration

3) Items of Consideration

- a) Consider request to remove a tree located at 552 3rd Ave. N

Consider request to remove a tree located at 552 3rd Ave N. Kirk Melton asked for clarification of why the requests for tree removals are placed on the consent calendar by staff. It was explained that certain requests are easily identified by staff as an appropriate request to remove a tree and these types of removals will be placed on the consent calendar. Requests with more detail and discussion needed will be placed as an item of consideration. Discussion followed. Chance Munns went into more details of why a particular tree may be removed.

MOTION: Chance Munns moved to approve the tree removal request. Brian Rice seconded the motion. Motion passed 5 to 0.

- b) Consider making a recommendation to City Council to change the "additional text" criteria described in the Council adopted Donation Policy regarding plaque inscriptions.

ZJ Martinez opened the request to change the "additional text" criteria described in the Donation Policy to the Commissioners for discussion.

Kirk Melton recapped the last two requests that came before the Commission.

Shayne Nope, City Attorney, explained that the best way to go about addressing the Council would be to request a discussion with council and ask Council to consider a change in the language and gain permission for the Commission to come back with recommended changes. Shayne indicated he would be hesitant to allow broadening the text in regards to 1st Amendment Rights. Opening a forum for expression would open the door to any and all people, groups, etc. He would recommend limiting the text even more. Discussion followed and some history on why the code reads the way it reads.

Kirk Melton suggested that the commission go to Council to suggest a change to the "Additional Text" section of the code and give the Commission time to consider if the text could be changed.

Kirk moved to recommend to the City Council that the additional text criteria be revisited. Mitch asked the question, as this is a Council policy, if the intent is to ask the Council to allow the Commission to recommend a change or 2) asking the Council to make a change?

Kirk amended his motion and moved to recommend to City Council to allow the Commission to revisit the additional text of the donation policy to revamp the policy with the help of the Parks and Recreation staff. Chance Munns seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4 - 2.

- c) Continue discussion of Facility Enhancement Plan needs for : Evel Knievel Jumpsite, Frontier Park, Sunrise Park

Wendy summarized the meeting that was held on January 23, 2020 with the Community and the Stack Rock group. The areas represented were pickleball, adult and youth softball/baseball, and the skateboard community.

Chance shared the discussion topics that were brought up at the Community meeting in regards to the Frontier Park, which is a multi-use park. A large part of the group consisted of pickleball representatives and they had quite a large list of requests such as observation berms or bleachers. The concerns at Frontier field were identified as the distance and accessibility from the fields to the concessions and restrooms and parking. Additional playground equipment and to finish the pickleball courts. Picnic tables or covered tables. Wendy displayed the park and showed the layout of the park. She indicated that the pickleball courts have all the stub ins for additional courts and lights, etc.

Sunrise park: Sherry Murray indicated that this park is in an area where there is a lot of children in the neighborhood. The school lunch program brings lunches there in the summer. The benches in the park are in need of updating. There are no sidewalks and

accessibility to the shelter that is at the back of the park. The shelter needs to be moved or placed in easier accessible area or just add some picnic tables throughout the park. Chance indicated that the shelter could be linked to other areas of the park. Sherry likes the shelter in the back and leaving it there. Kirk recommended more play equipment and that there is no parking. Wendy indicated that this park is what a typical neighborhood park looks like. ZJ Martinez indicated that the benches are very awkward to use and updating them would be beneficial and update the basketball court. ZJ also thought this park would be a good one for theming. Chance talked about the accessibility again and that the shelter is not linked to any other events that happen at the park. Perhaps it would get more use if there were sidewalks in the park.

Wendy had taken the consultants by the park and what they saw was that there is no access to the picnic area. Accessibility is a key feature in all the parks and is being looked at. Wendy also talked about the demographics of the areas that the parks are in and what would be a good fit for that specific park in that neighborhood. Wendy also talked about maintaining the amenities in the parks.

Kirk Melton shared his views on the park. The shelter being so far in the back doesn't seem to get used much so possibly moving the shelter closer to the front of the park. He also thought more than one porta potty during the summer would be helpful. Kirk also thought more playground structures would be a good idea.

The basketball court is asphalt and the tree roots have damaged it.

Gabe reiterated that it is a nice neighborhood park. The question is, leave the park alone as it is or make it a more functional high maintenance park? Is there money to make changes?

Wendy injected that this park was designed to be a neighborhood park and it serves the neighborhood.

4) Department Updates

ZJ Martinez asked for an update on Cabin Fever Day. Wendy gave an overview of the event and indicated there was a good turnout for the event. Kirk asked what the minimal issues were? Minimal issues would be complaints about refs, coaches and that sort of issues.

a) Department Updates

5) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:59 PM.



Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2020
To: Parks and Recreation Commission
From: Steve Meyerhoeffer

INFORMATIONAL

Request:

Twin Falls Golf Club Annual Report

Time Estimate:

Presentation will take approximately 10 minutes. Allow some time for questions and discussion.

Background:

Steva LLC is the concessionaire for the operation of the Twin Falls Golf Club. Steve Meyerhoeffer will present the 2019 annual report for the Commission

Approval Process:

Budget Impact:

Regulatory Impact:

History:

N/A

Analysis:

N/A

Conclusion:

Attachments:

None



Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2020
To: Parks and Recreation Commission
From: Steve Meyerhoeffer

PRESENTATION

Request:

Friends of Muni Golf Tournament

Time Estimate:

Presentation will take approximately 10 minutes. Allow some time for questions and discussion.

Background:

The Friends of Muni Golf Tournament is the main fundraiser for improvements to the Twin Falls Golf Club. The funds raised are held by the Community Foundation and distributed for improvements and enhancements to the golf course.

Golf Pro Steve Meyerhoeffer will give an overview of the tournament and provide commissioners with opportunities to assist with the fundraising efforts of tournament.

Approval Process:

Budget Impact:

Regulatory Impact:

History:

N/A

Analysis:

N/A

Conclusion:

Attachments:

None



Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2020
To: Parks and Recreation Commission
From: Wendy Davis

INFORMATIONAL

Request:

Project and Budget Update

Time Estimate:

Background:

Approval Process:

Budget Impact:

Regulatory Impact:

History:

N/A

Analysis:

N/A

Conclusion:

Attachments:

None

Parks and Recreation Department Updates

March 10, 2020

Recreation Update

Spring Soccer:

The last day for soccer registration was Monday, February 24th. We are still accepting late registration until Friday March 30th. We currently have 631 players registered and last year we had 576 players. Late registration will run until March 30th. Practices will start the week of March 16th, with games starting on Monday March 30th.

Youth Wrestling:

We worked out a deal with Filer High School wrestling Coach Tony Evans and his wrestlers to continue to offer the pee wee youth wrestling program to the kids from Filer and Twin Falls this spring!! We allowed the Filer elementary kids to register exclusively the first week and then opened it up to the Twin Falls kids. So far, Tony and his staff are very impressed with our registration and scheduling system and look forward to working with us in the future to offer this program to the youth in both of our communities. Last year we had 37 registered and this year we have 65.

Tiny Tykes Winter Program:

This year we have added winter/spring tiny tykes. Tiny tykes is our preschool program for three year olds. Prior to this, we only offered a fall class for this age group. Last year we had 12 and this year we had 15. The program consists of 4 Saturdays with each Saturday being a different sport. The participants learned the basics of basketball, kickball, and bowling. With the last day being a free fun day including tunnel, hula-hoop, and parachute fun. I have had positive feedback from parents whose children were in the class and am excited to continue to offer this program in the future.

Spring Sporties for Shorties:

We are now taking registration for our spring Sporties for Shorties soccer program. The class will run four Saturdays starting on March 28th. Registration will end March 20th.

Youth Flag Football:

The recreation department has partnered with CSports Nation to offer 1st-6th grade NFL flag football. There are 31 players in the 1st-2nd grade league, 23 in the 3rd-4th grade league and 19 in the 5th-6th grade league so far for the spring season. Registration is still being accepted. NFL FLAG, the league's official youth flag football program, provides a fun and engaging experience for players of all skill levels. This program equips youth players with vital, transferable life skills that are the building blocks to success in life on and off the field. Games will start on Saturday April 25th at Sunway Soccer Complex. CSports Nation is also running a football combine for the spring season. There are 66 participants that are currently registered. Registration is still open for the combine as well.

Youth Cheer Team:

The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation department and CSports Nation has once again teamed up to offer youth cheer team. This is designed to correspond with the spring flag football league. No matter what your cheer experience CSport Nation Cheer Team is about providing an opportunity for youth to have fun, build friendships and enjoy the many benefits of cheerleading including teamwork, sportsmanship and character development. Cheerleaders learn cheer skills and fundamentals and support the youth NFL flag football teams during Saturday afternoon games. All, cheerleaders will be placed on a cheer team to cheer on their very own NFL branded CSports Nation Cheer Team. The season is 7 weeks plus playoffs. Registration is currently open and there are 34 participants signed up as of now.

2020 Spring/Summer **Recreation Guide** will be out the end of March early April.

The floor in the downstairs offices are completely done and staff is working on replacing the floor in the upstairs conference room and break room. The entire office is currently being painted to refresh and fix imperfections.

Two new baseball mounds were purchased for TFP&R youth leagues.

Adult Softball:

Softball Registration is now open and will run through April 3rd. We will have Men's, Coed, and Women's leagues.

Adult Basketball:

The regular season will wrap up on March 19th. The tournament will start March 30th and run for three weeks. The season has been successful without much incident.

The biggest issue that recreation department staff are dealing with in adult basketball is the lack of adult basketball officials. This is the most difficult sport to find officials for. Our head official, who is in charge of staffing our games; also does the adult softball and flag football programs that are offered. There are many softball officials, and the head official often pulls from the softball group to help with basketball. Adult basketball has been challenging to staff for the last few seasons.

For instance, a typical night of adult basketball will need 6 officials per facility. Most nights the adult basketball program only uses 2 of the 3 available gym facilities to help with the lack of adult officials. Not only does this lack of officials limit the facility space; it also prolongs the season. If recreation staff were able to run 3 gyms per season, it would shorten the length of the season overall. This year only 9 officials were able to work, with one nursing and injury. Recreation staff has raised the per game amount paid to adult officials to help entice interests.

Parks

Kevin Skelton & Todd Andersen

Applications of pre-emergent herbicide has been completed and staff is moving on to dormant oil applications to trees, weather permitting.

Cascade restroom and surrounding concrete has been removed making way to begin construction of our facility enhancement plan work for that park.

Maintenance pruning on shrubs, bushes and trees maintained by Parks has been completed.

Fabrication of BBQ grills has been completed and most have been installed. Worn out units are manufactured and installed in house.

Staff has been busy in various training disciplines including irrigation design, troubleshooting and repair. Continuing education for maintaining Professional Applicators Licenses.

Pool Update

John Pauley

Facility Usage:

- February 2020: 5,486
 - Pass Holders: 2,417
 - General Admission: 3,069
- October 2019 – January 2020: 25,287

- Pass Holders: 12,692
- General Admission: 12,595

President's Day: We had a great President's Day with 515 people using the pool! The Tower Obstacle Course was in to provide extra pool fun!

Office & Locker Room Paint & Lighting: From March 10-13 the pool will be closed from 9am-4pm to give the office and locker rooms a fresh look by painting and adding LED lighting.

Spring Programs: Our spring session of swim lessons and Hurricane Swim League will begin on Tuesday, March 31.

Spring Break: During Spring Break (March 23-27) the pool will have Recreation Swim hours for the public from 10am-8pm. We will also have The Tower Obstacle Course in from 1-6pm on March 24 & March 26.

Golf Course Update

Will be given at the meeting

Director's Update

Wendy Davis

City Park Restroom: City Council approved a request to accept the bid for the City Park Restroom. Staff is in progress with the contract negotiation, and should have that completed and ready to take back to council in the next week or two.

Park Reservation Process: the new park reservation process is going fairly smoothly. We are working out some of the bugs as we find them, and hope that the review process, along with the permit and approval will eliminate much of the last minute confusion surrounding many of the events and uses of the parks.

Shoshone Falls/Dierkes Lake: The ticket booth staff is being hired and we expect the ticket booth to be operational by the middle of the month. Flows are starting to increase and with the warm weather, the visitors are starting to arrive.