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TWIN FALLS CITY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

June 19, 2012* * * * * 4:00 pm * * * * * Day Dream Ranch – Rock Creek Canyon

Members Present: Tennille Adams, Liyah Babayan, Jeff Blick, Tony Brand, Kevin Dane, Craig Manning and Tom Reynolds.

Members Absent: Carl Legg and Ryan Horsley

Council Absent: Shawn Barigar

Staff Present: Dennis Bowyer

Staff Absent: Mitch Humble and Stacy McClintock

Guest: Bonny Ross with Canyon Trail Realty and Benito Baeza with Townsquare Media

MINUTES

Chairperson Kevin Dane called the meeting to order at 4:08 pm.

Item #1 Site Visit to Tour Property

Introductions were made. Bonny Ross talked about the Day Dream Ranch Property, it is 21 acres, owned by Larry Holland and his wife. This property is all in the canyon, abuts to the existing City’s Rock Creek Canyon Parkway to the east and abuts to Addison Avenue West to the north.

Bonny and Dennis briefly discussed the history of Day Dream Ranch, it was a place where you could take kids fishing for a fee and where you could rent horses to ride in the canyon. The Commission walked around the property to see where the raceways are, the two ponds and where Slaughterhouse Gulch Creek flowed out near the Twin Falls Golf Club (City’s Municipal Golf Course). Dennis talked about the walking trail access from the City’s park through this property to get to Morrison Street on the east side of the property.

The Commission discussed the potential of this property becoming a park and potential partners. Some of the ideas were:

- nature park
- fishing ponds for kids
- community park

- partnership with College of Southern Idaho, University of Idaho, or Idaho Department of Fish and Game on aqua culture potential for fish on site

Tony Brand made a motion to recommend to the City Council that the City should further explore the idea of purchasing the 21 acres of Day Dream Ranch.

Liyah seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Item #2 Overnight Camping Request

Dennis explained that the Twin Falls County Youth Baseball (TFCYB) has requested to allow overnight camping at the Oregon Trail Youth Complex on Thursday June 28th and Friday June 29th for the teams and their parents. Dennis mentioned the City Code allows the director to allow overnight camping to organized groups at a designated area for camping.

Since this is a new request, staff felt TFCYB needed to fill out the City's Special Events Application for their review and have the Parks & Recreation Commission review it also before the request is presented to the City Council.

Staff recommended that the following conditions shall be in place if the Commission recommends approval.

- TFCYB will provide a portable toilet at their camp site since for security purposes all restrooms in the park system are locked up by 11pm.
- Lights out in their camp site will be at 10pm each night.
- All motorized vehicles are to be parked in the parking lot located along Highland Avenue next to the tennis courts and the basketball court.
- Only tent camping will be allowed in the park next to the parking lot and tennis courts.

The Commission discussed the pros and cons in allowing overnight camping and maybe a security deposit should be added as part of the conditions.

Tennille made a motion to the City Council to allow the TFCYB overnight camping at the Oregon Trail Youth Complex on Thursday June 28th and Friday June 29th with the following conditions:

- TFCYB will provide a portable toilet at their camp site since for security purposes all restrooms in the park system are locked up by 11pm.
- Lights out in their camp site will be at 10pm each night.
- All motorized vehicles are to be parked in the parking lot located along Highland Avenue next to the tennis courts and the basketball court.
- Only tent camping will be allowed in the park next to the parking lot and tennis courts.
- A \$150 security deposit to be paid to the City, if no damages or problems occurred, the security deposit will be returned

Craig seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55pm.

The next meeting of the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Commission will be July 10th, 2012 at 11:30am at the City Council Chambers located at 305 3rd Avenue East.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Bowyer', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Dennis J. Bowyer
Parks and Recreation Director