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TWIN FALLS CITY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

June 9, 2009* * * * * 11:30 am * * * * * City of Twin Falls Council Chambers

Members Present: **Tennille Adams, Jeff Blick, John Bonnett, Kevin Dane, Ryan Horsley, Brent Jussel, Bill Merritt and Paula Brown Sinclair**

Members Absent: **RoLynne Hendricks**

Council Present: **Trip Craig**

Staff Present: **Dennis Bowyer and Mitch Humble**

MINUTES

Chairperson John Bonnett called the meeting to order at 11:40am. A motion was made by Ryan Horsley to approve the minutes of the May 12th, 2009 meeting. Tennille Adams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item #1 Recreation Report - Staff

Dennis went over the recreation report. Youth baseball began on June 1st. We have been spreading out the games at various parks and all games are in the evening. There is a tournament going on every weekend in June. Men's softball is going well, despite an issue with teams using illegal bats. We now have a strict rule in place with use of illegal bats.

Urban Wilderness Day will be held on Saturday, June 13th from 11am-3pm at Dierkes Lakes. This is a free outdoor activity and is great for families. There are quite a few leisure activities available this summer; pontoon boat ride, rafting, Hands On activities and Drama classes.

The first annual "Movies in the Park" will be held on June 26th at 9:30pm, showing "American Tail". Brent asked how we will get public awareness out there for these movies. Dennis stated that it will be advertised on the website and Times News. It was also advertised in the Spring/Summer guide. Paula suggested having signs up along Shoshone Street advertising the movie like they do for the band concerts in the park every Thursday

night. Dennis also mentioned that they will only be allowing the Coke trailer to be at the park selling soda, water and popcorn.

Item #2 Parks Report - Staff

A new tractor/mower has been purchased that will be shared between the Sanitation Department, Parks Department and Streets Department for weed abatement. Paving around the band shell has been finished. Restrooms at Oregon Trail Youth Complex, South Park and City Park are being painted. The restroom in the blue building at Harmon Park has been approved and bids will be going out for that soon. Having a restroom in the building will allow Parks and Recreation to hold leisure activities there. A new shelter for Northern Ridge Park has been ordered and should hopefully be completed by the end of the summer. Installation on swing sets in various parks has been finished. The fence at Sunway is almost finished and the pool bubble was removed on May 19th.

Item #3 Donation Policy Modifications – Sub-Committee

The sub-committee consisting of Bill Merritt, Paula Brown Sinclair, Kevin Dane and Jeff Blick met on Monday, May 15th with Fritz Wonderlich and staff to review the current policy. Fritz forwarded on the revised policy with only some minor changes to the current policy.

Paula has been working on revising the policy and has proposed the following: Under Types of Donations, 6th paragraph, Inscription – The text of memorials *to individuals may include* the name of the person being dedicated to, honored, or memorialized, the dates of the birth and death of that person or the date of the dedication or when honored. The phrases "Dedicated To", "In Honor of", or "In memory of," are the allowable text for memorials. *Any additional text and* inscriptions for other donations *must be* directly related to the history of the community or identify groups or persons with longstanding ties to the community.

Dennis and Paula will work on the policy and application and have it reviewed by Fritz by the next meeting. A recommendation can be made at the July meeting.

Item #4 Request to pay fees In Lieu of park land dedication for the Dry Creek Subdivision - Staff

Dry Creek Subdivision is a .44 acre lot consisting of two (2) residential lots on property located at 1969 Shoup Avenue East. There was an existing house on the lot; the net increase in households in the subdivision is only one. Depending on the value per acre of the property, the in lieu of fee would be approximately $500 - $600, Staff recommends to the Commission to approve the in lieu of request.

Brent made a motion to support staff's recommendation. Ryan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item #5 New & Old Business – Dennis/Commission

Dennis updated the Commission on Drury Park. Magic Valley Bank will provide volunteers to help install the playground equipment. He will need to get in contact with them to see when they will be available to help. The playground equipment is three different pieces. Paula asked if we can have staff that was in charge of the Ascension playground installation available on this project to prepare every one of what will be needed. Parks crew will need to tear out the horseshoe pits. There will be two horseshoe pits left. Dennis still needs to get the fall safety material ordered and Paula will be getting the picnic tables ordered. Paula mentioned there is a possibility of having the stone wall built without a mason.

Bill updated the Commission on the lights at Oregon Trail Youth Complex. The lights are here and they are working on getting them pre-mounted. Brent stated that the Baseball Trust has put the project on hold until an agreement is made and signed between the Trust and the City. Dennis will get with Fritz to see where we are with the agreement.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:28pm.

The next meeting of the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Commission will be July 14th, 2009 at 11:30am at the City Council Chambers located at 305 3rd Avenue East.

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