

**PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2016
ACTIVITY CENTER
12:00 NOON**

Present:

Greg A. Weitzel, Brent Martin, PJ Holm, Tim Reinke Bill Combo, Jeff Forbes, Tom Hersh, Matt Hill, Steve Janes, Kerry Martin, Kris Millgate, Tom Hally

Absent:

David Pennock (AZA), Mike Davis, Jim Hammon, Jill Kirkham, John LoBouno, Dave Radford,

Guest Attendees:

Lisa Jones, Robert Nitchke

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No quorum present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Need ADA Access to the Band shell in Freeman Park. The redwood decking at the lookout on the west bank is an immediate safety concern. Parking on the soccer field for the airshow is a bad idea.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Greg Weitzel

- 2017 Budget passed with no increases
 - Added a weed control FTE
 - Truck
 - Zoo keeper FTE
 - Rec Fund levy increase of \$150,000
 - O&M flat
 - Capitals
 - Greenbelt/Riverwalk Eastside Key Bank to Pancheri
 - Funding signs I the parks
 - Special mowers for ditch banks
- New HR Director Ryan Tew
- Safety meetings being held for Bike and Ped
- Idaho Falls selected to host Mobility West November 14-16 at Willard Arts Center.
- Next "Kids in Nature" Meeting is September 21, 5:30 to 7:30 at the Fish and Game Offices. P&R are a partner in coalition.
- IRPA Table has been purchased for Commission members.
- Mayor wants P&RC and give a briefing including the feasibility study and CRC recommendations.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Golf – Tim Reinke

- August sales slightly up from 2015
- Last Bash, Superintendents Revenge and State Chapman tournaments all scheduled this month
- Pushing for new irrigations systems for Pinecrest and Sandcreek for next year
- Tom Hersh won flight in men's championship tournament

Zoo – Greg Weitzel for David Pennock

- 4,000 short of making the all time attendance record at this point in the season

Recreation – PJ Holm

- IRPA Conference details reviewed.
- The Fall/Winter Guide has been finalized and has gone to print
- Aquatic and sports updates.
- Sports and programming updates

- Ice Arena is prepping for season start up – great purchase of equipment from BYU. Save a significant amount of money.
- Employee wellness program officially announced at employee benefits fair for City employees

Parks/Cemeteries – Brent Martin

- Thanks to Jeff Forbes et al for donation of fix it station. It has been installed
- Large donated rock lantern sculpture installed in the Friendship Garden in Sportsman's Park.
- October 3rd is ribbon cutting at the Tea Pavilion.
- Banner updates.
- Event review
- Applying for a joint grant with Downtown Development to redo the downtown planter boxes.
- Cemetery updates

BONNEVILLE COUNTY – D. Radford (absent)

- No Report.

GOLF REPORT – Tom Hersh

- ON the cusp of losing our edge due to poor irrigation.

SCHOOL DISTRICT #91 – Kerry Martin

- Thank you to Parks and Rec for help with Cross Country meet.
- Emotion Bowl is next week.
- Hosting State 4A soccer tournament as well as state volleyball tournament.
- State swimming may be sanctioned – this will put demands on the AC. Decision will be made in 2 weeks.

SCHOOL DISTRICT #93 – Mike Davis (absent)

- No Report

SHADE TREE COMMITTEE – Matt Hill

- No meeting held
- Need two members on advisory board.
- Hotel owner meeting did not happen.

MEETING ADJURNED AT 1:16 P.M.

*Recorded by
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