

Minutes of the Centerville City Parks and Recreation Committee meeting held Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Centerville City Hall Conference Room, 250 North Main Street, Centerville, Utah.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Adam Alba, Chair
Sean Hall
Melissa Larsen
Matt Layton

MEMBERS ABSENT

Lane Jenkins
Tiffany Rees
Hailey Turner

STAFF PRESENT

Gina Hirst, City Council Liaison
Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director
Connie Larson, Recording Secretary

OVERVIEW OF PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director, gave an overview of the Parks and Recreation Committee. The Committee started the Movies in the Park several years ago, which has been very successful. The City Council has approved the design for eight pickleball courts at the Community Park. The money to pay for the courts will come from Impact Fees, grant money and private donations. The Committee determines how Park Impact Fees will be spent and the needs of the parks. Gina Hirst, City Council Liaison, reported she has talked with City Council members, and she is trying to get alignment among the City Council and the Parks and Recreation Committee. She would like the City Council and Parks and Recreation Committee to meet to discuss the priorities of the Parks and Recreation Committee. The City Council is planning to update the General Plan and the Parks Master Plan will be a component of the Master Plan. Bruce Cox said he will ask Jennifer Robison, City Recorder, to send the Parks Master Plan that was completed by the college intern several years ago to each Parks and Recreation Committee member.

APPOINT NEW CHAIR AND CO-CHAIR FOR 2023

Adam Alba made a **motion** to serve as Chair of the Parks and Recreation Committee. Melissa Larsen seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (4-0).

Sean Hall made a **motion** to nominate Tiffany Rees as Co-Chair of the Parks and Recreation Committee, contingent on Tiffany accepting the nomination. Matt Layton seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (4-0).

**DISCUSS GOALS AND PRIORITIES FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION
COMMITTEE**

Gina Hirst, City Council Liaison, reported several people have told her the playground set at the Community Park is deteriorating and needs to be replaced. The slide has been removed, and the rubber surface also needs to be replaced. Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director, reported Park Impact Fees and federal grants will be pursued to replace the equipment. UDOT will be expanding the I-15 freeway by 60 feet on the east side starting in 2026.

The Randall home next to Smith Park has been removed. This is one-half acre of property that has not been landscaped yet. The goal is to eventually combine this property with the property where Ron Randall's gas station is. The Landmarks Commission would like to have the gas station preserved as a museum.

Bruce Cox reported a survey was completed eight years ago on what amenities the citizens would like to have in Centerville. Most of the citizens said they want walking paths, pavilions, playgrounds, and fields for ballgames. Other citizens said they want dog parks and a splash pad. A full time employee must be hired to maintain the splash pad, and there is a dog park in Bountiful.

The Committee discussed having a stage built, and hiring food trucks for events. Adam Alba asked about a skate park. Bruce Cox explained other cities have had graffiti, drugs, and vandalism at skate parks. For a skate park to be maintained successfully, it must be designed well with employees who are at the park. There would be an entrance fee, and opening and closing hours instead of being open 24 hours.

Gina Hirst reported the City purchased three acres of property on land east of Chase Lane on the mountainside. This property could be a natural park.

MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Minutes of the July 12, 2022 meeting were reviewed. Adam Alba made a **motion** to approve the minutes as written. Melissa Larsen seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (4-0).

NEXT MEETING

The next Parks and Recreation Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

ADJOURN

At 8:15 p.m., Melissa Larsen made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting. Adam Alba seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (4-0).

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