

**Wasatch County Parks & Recreation SSD #21**  
**Board Meeting**  
**March 12, 2024**  
**Minutes**  
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**Attendance:**

Kendall Crittenden, Chairman	Jon Provost, Event Center Director
Karl McMillan, Vice-Chairman	Laurie Duke, Admin. Assistant
Mark Nelson, Board Member	Travis Dial, IT Specialist
Erik Rowland, Board Member - Via Zoom	
Luke Searle, Board Member – Via Zoom	

**Excused:**

Steve Farrell, Board Member	Tom Bonner, Director
Spencer Park, Board Member	Heath Coleman, Asst. Director

Kendall Crittenden called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m.

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**Minutes: February 13, 2024**

Jon Provost presented the minutes. Mark Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes for February 13, 2024. Karl McMillan seconded the motion. Motion passes with the following vote:

AYE:	Kendall Crittenden
AYE:	Karl McMillan
AYE:	Mark Nelson
AYE:	Erik Rowland
AYE:	Luke Searle
NAY:	None

ABSENT:	Steve Farrell
	Spencer Park

**Warrants:**

Jon Provost presented the warrants for February 8, 2024 through March 7, 2024 in the amount of \$211,395.75. Kendall asked about the Toyota Rav4 and Jon explained that it was for a car purchased for Parks & Rec., mainly to be used by our new Sponsorship & Marketing employee. Luke asked if the other new employees we are hiring would be getting vehicles to use and Jon responded that they will not. The other significant amounts were all pass through.

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AYE:	Erik Rowland
AYE:	Luke Searle
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**Event Complex Update:**

Jon reported on the Skijoring event that took place on February 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. This is our second year doing it and it was a great event and brought people from all over. Our ticket program has the ability to show where the tickets are purchased and we even had some from New York and Hawaii. Jon reported, as a side note, that for our Derby and Rodeo last year we had tickets purchased from all 50 states and some from out of the country.

Jon said that he has explained to the promoters of Skijoring that we need to evaluate the impact that it has on our facility before we commit for next year, as we are not really a winter facility

Kendall asked if we do it year after year if we might have to make snow and Jon responded that yes, they brought in equipment and made snow this year. Kendall also asked who puts this on and Jon answered that it is Skijoring Utah with Joe Leveridge. Mark commented that there were skijoring events in Salt Lake City and Logan. Jon replied that it is a growing sport and he thinks they are looking at possibly making it a pre-event for the Olympics. Mark said that it seems like a good fit for Heber Valley.

Mark asked Jon about the Jordan World Circus event. Jon responded that it is a home-town circus and is very entertaining. This was our 15<sup>th</sup> year holding this event and attendance is good, especially with our Hispanic residents. He said that they have all kinds of different animals and a variety of acts.

Jon reported that everything is pretty much in place at our camp sites. We are just waiting for a building to cover one valve that is above ground. He said that the missionaries from the Girls Camp will be using the facility from April 8<sup>th</sup> to April 18<sup>th</sup>. As soon as they leave we will have a UBRA event, April 19<sup>th</sup>.

Jon explained that the contract for the sidewalk has already been awarded and that trees will be put in for the beautification project.

Mark asked Jon if the event complex had anything scheduled for September 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> in case the railroad decided to do a heritage event. Jon looked at his calendar and responded that the state 4H Show is scheduled from September 24<sup>th</sup> to September 28<sup>th</sup>. The Mounted Shooters Event is

scheduled October 1<sup>st</sup>. Mark said that he will check with Tom to see if the Rec. Center would be available on September 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>.

Kendall asked if they had hired someone for the Event Center and Jon replied that yes, they have hired another full-time employee. This year they will only be hiring one part-time/seasonal employee. He will start around the first part of April. Jon said that he has an amazing crew and they do an amazing job.

Mark brought up the changes that will be coming in the future with ball fields, the railroad, and trails. He commented that they are doing the final engineering on the trail from Soldier Hollow that crosses Hwy. 113 and are doing the engineering on Phase 2, which is from Hwy. 113 across Casperville Road. He said that they are talking to them, at the railroad, about where the last stretch of trail will hit the railroad yard limit to 1200. Mark said that he thought Dustin mentioned that Parks & Recreation were working on a master plan. Both Jon and Kendall confirmed that Parks and Recreation are currently working on a master plan.

Jon commented that if anyone needed compost for their gardens, they could come and get some. He explained that they started a composting program with their stall waste and it has proven to be very successful.

Kendall asked if there were any other questions or comments. There were none.

Mark Nelson made a motion to adjourn. Karl McMillan seconded the motion. Motion passes with the following vote:

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NAY:	None
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Meeting was adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Laurie Duke