

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

Thursday, April 18, 2024, 9:30am

Logan Community Recreation Center Conference Room

Present: Eric Eliason, Mayor Holly Daines, Dan Blakely, Mike Wolford, Melissa Dahle, Jake Powell, Sylvan Needham, Alyson Ward

Absent: Mike Johnson, Rachel Behm, Val Christensen

Guests: Debbie Harvey, Brandon Elwood (Logan resident)

Approval of Minutes:

- Eric made a motion to approve the minutes from our March P&R Advisory Board Meeting. Mike seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as written.

Woodruff Neighborhood Meeting Volunteers:

- Melissa provided feedback from the meeting.
- Volunteers worked with Darren from Bio-West to help clean up the dredge along the Logan River.
- Had about 75 volunteers show up.
- Got a lot cleaned up and planted. Took about an hour.
- Bio-West will seed and finish up the project.
- Ed's staff is re-grading area by iFit along river as well.

Upcoming Service Projects:

- May 4- Canyon Road litter clean-up (between 600 East and Center Street)
 - Pick up litter, bagging it – prep for City employees to pick up.
- Cemetery Clean up- Saturday, Mid-June (Farmington area Youth Group)
- Cemetery major clean up before Memorial Day- Volunteers needed.
 - If anyone is aware of any groups looking to help, please contact Justin Allen at justin.allen@loganutah.org.
 - Volunteers are needed to rake up pinecones/needles and bag them.
 - Cleaning up around headstones to get grounds ready for maintenance.

- Ed received a request for volunteer clean up for River Circle Park and Denzil Stuart Nature Park to clean up dead wood and debris. Department will try and organize

Update on Canyon Road Canal Trail (600 E & 400 N):

- Issue has been receiving a lot of publicity.
- City Attorney has met with both Joe Sorensen and Terry Oliver- both property owners
- Driveway Joe uses to access his home belongs to Terry – he grants him access to use.
- Currently awaiting a response from Terry Oliver
- City Attorney trying to set up a second meeting to come up with a resolution for both parties.
- Board members suggested a sign warning trail users that trail is coming to an end or detour.

Report on Public Outreach Meetings:

- Department held 4 meetings to gather feedback from Logan residents regarding upcoming plans the department has.
- Department provided an email address for residents to send any information they desire.
- Debbie reported that 112 people responded to the public outreach email
- USU Wellbeing survey had 700+ responses
- Top 3 issues were: New Rec Center, Indoor Pool and trails
- Most responses are coming from social media blasts
- This data can be used for the open space bond.
- Board members will share on their social media pages once Debbie's information is posted.

Update on Logan Outdoor Recreation Complex Projects:

- Russ used a map to briefly go over Logan Outdoor Recreation Complex project.
- Phase 1 of project has been awarded to Staker-Parson to reconstruct 200 South, parking lot and asphalt trail connectors
- Park name will be Maple View Park
- Phase 2 is pushed out until 2025 as landfill is still in operation.
- No trees will be planted on landfill part of park. Brush and native foliage will be included for landscaping.

Upcoming Special Events:

- May 4- Cinco de Mayo (Fairgrounds)
- May 11- Canyon Road 5-10K (Merlin)
- June 1- Shoreline 5-10k (Canyon Entrance Park/First Dam)
- Beginning June 5 (every Wednesday) El Oso Loco Trail Run Series (Canyon Entrance Park/First Dam)
- June-August- Center St Market
- June 7- Ragnar Road Wasatch Back (USU Football Stadium Parking Lot)
- June 13-15 Summerfest (Fairgrounds)
- June 15- World Refugee Day (Willow)
- June 19- Juneteenth BBQ (Bridger)
- Every Saturday in September- Center Street will be closed for a Special Event.
- Friday April 26 -Adopt-a-Trail mixer at Fairgrounds.
- Department currently working on Summer Plaza schedule- will update board as soon as its final
 - Splash Pad will open Memorial Day weekend in conjunction with Aquatic Center opening date.

Recreation Superintendent Report:

- Counting down the days the Aquatic Center opens
- First time in almost 5 years we may have a full staff
- Had 90+ lifeguard applications and 60+ cashier applications.
- Locker room floors at LAC have been completed. 50-meter pool has been resurfaced
- Moving to a tankless water system.
- Received a bid to resurface the high-dive diving board
- All senior positions have been filled,
- Field crews busy preparing fields for Rocky Mountain Baseball
- Backflow at Rec Center has been repaired
- Indoor Soccer program underway as of now
- Nutrition classes have begun since a month on Wednesdays. 2 sessions- early senior session in the morning and a general population session in the evenings.
- Working on a Summer Senior program to help senior populations with technology, walking club, social events, senior pickleball etc.
- Once lease agreement with High School is in place, Jr Jazz will be limited to only Logan City residents due to limited space (one gym)
- Pioneer Day vendor and parade entries have started rolling in.
- Alyson Ward stated that city can have a booth at next Friday's Adopt-a-Trail event
- Old Navy is hosting a youth safety fair. Department will attend to promote water safety and Aquatic center programs.
- Will also be participating in the Family Resource Fair.

Parks Superintendent Report:

- Parks crews busy preparing parks for spring season
- Finished aerating fields yesterday.
- Alyson praised Ed's staff for completing work on Logan River trail promptly
- All restrooms are open and operating
- Adams and Merlin Olsen Central Park restrooms have been remodeled
- Working on turning on all irrigation systems
- Ball fields are already being heavily used.
- Parks applicants must be 18 years of age or older to work for Parks.

Open Forum:

- Melissa asked a question wondering if Little Logan River is being filled.
- Russ stated that it recently concluded the public comment period.
- Russ let Melissa know Zan Murry from JUB is her best resource for answers regarding this topic.
- NRCS has directed department to forward all questions/comments to JUB
- North Logan submitted a RAPZ application to fund feasibility study for a new recreation center plan.
- Board and Department discussed future Rec Center plans and lease agreement.
- Board discussed all current wants, needs from feedback they have received from citizens weighing in on topic.
- Russ believes there is an open space meeting tomorrow for open space bond- he does not have any more details.

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 15, 2024

Location: Logan Recreation Center

Meeting Adjourned: 11:50 am

Minutes Submitted by: Gloria Chacon