

CITY OF NORTH SALT LAKE
PARKS TRAILS ARTS & RECREATION
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
642 NORTH 400 WEST, NORTH SALT LAKE
JUNE 25, 2024

FINAL

Peter Wirthlin, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Kyle Poulter; Jeff Scroger, Chair; Camille Thorpe; Peter Wirthlin; Councilmember Suzette Jackson.

EXCUSED: Brent Crowther, Dallas Golden.

STAFF PRESENT: David Frandsen, Assistant City Manager; Jon Rueckert, Public Works Director; Carmen Wilson, Public Works Operations; Linda Horrocks, Communications Coordinator; TJ Riley, Parks Superintendent; Ali Avery, Long Ranger Planner.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Parks and Arts Board minutes of May 28, 2024 were reviewed and approved.

Suzette Jackson moved to approve the Parks, Trails, Arts, and Recreation Advisory Board meeting minutes of May 28, 2024, as written. Camille Thorpe seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Board Members Jackson, Poulter, Thorpe, and Wirthlin. Board Members Crowther, Golden and Scroger were not present for the vote.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

3. PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES

Jon Rueckert provided an update on Hatch Park which was in the design phase with the architect. He said the homes along Main Street and 150 North would be vacated and demolished in August. He commented that the focus for the Public Works Department was Liberty Fest with events June 29th, July 2nd, and July 3rd.

4. PLANNING UPDATES

Ali Avery reported on the community visioning workshop for the General Plan update to be held Thursday, June 27th at 6 p.m. She invited the Board to attend and identify parks, trails, public art,

etc. on the provided maps. She mentioned that an additional public meeting would be held in the fall with draft elements to be shared at that time.

Linda Horrocks commented that these items could be added to the interactive map on the City's website.

Ali Avery said Davis County would help to pay for the bike repair stations. She would follow up on funding with Davis County and coordinate with Peter Wirthlin on ordering the equipment.

Ali Avery then spoke on the mural grant application which was due July 15th but said the deadline may be extended. She explained the design and artist could be chosen after the application selection. She said a theme, consent from building owner, and \$10,000 in City funds were required now. She shared that the County would provide a matching \$10,000 grant.

Ali Avery would follow up with the building owner on obtaining approval and a theme.

Jeff Scroger arrived at 6:17 p.m.

5. CITY COUNCIL UPDATES

Councilmember Jackson commended the Board on their presentation in the City Council meeting. She spoke on how helpful it was that the Board provided action items. She then mentioned the successful trail day.

TJ Riley said the rose bushes near the bathroom were removed due to safety issues and would be replaced by maple trees. He spoke on vandalism issues with the spigot, hose, and water fountains at the parks.

6. DISCUSSION ON EVENTS

a. NATIONAL TRAILS DAY (RECAP)

Peter Wirthlin reported on the national trails day and said there were 80 volunteer hours from the mountain bike team. He said the trail mitigation and the repair efforts were holding. He mentioned the need for an additional trail day and taking into account maintenance for all new and existing trails.

The Board had a discussion on trail repairs, purge the spurge, a future trail maintenance day in September, trail tools, theft (trees, tools), and camera/facial recognition software for the parks.

b. LIBERTY FEST

Linda Horrocks spoke on the need for volunteers for the car show, race, fireworks, and Big West Oil sponsorship and VIP area. She said there was a volunteer form on the City's website.

c. OTHER

Camille Thorpe mentioned the Halloween event on October 26th. Peter Wirthlin suggested moving the event to Legacy Park and adding a 5 mile run.

The Board discussed having a fun run, costume contest, candy, and other ways to appeal to a wider variety of residents.

Linda Horrocks shared that the Night Out Against Crime and Health and Wellness Fair would be held on August 8th.

The Board discussed rotating the Halloween event each year between Tunnel Springs, Legacy, and Hatch Park.

7. REPORT AND DISCUSSION ON THE PRESENTATION IN CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION ON JUNE 18, 2024 RELATED TO CITY TRAILS

Peter Wirthlin summarized the presentation that was shared with the City Council including trail maintenance, recommendations for new trails, and the Woodbriar Trailhead. He also mentioned the vision to connect parks and trails, commuting lines as part of I-15, unsanctioned trails, and upgrading signage and maps.

Councilmember Jackson said there would be a meeting with Bountiful and Centerville related to the trails. She explained that the City Council would then make some decisions related to trails, the City committees, and any restructuring.

Peter Wirthlin spoke on reorganizing the Board to focus on specific areas including trails and events.

Jeff Scroger commented that he made an effort to include trails on every agenda and was offended by the statement made during the presentation in the City Council meeting that there had not been a focus on trails. Peter Wirthlin and Kyle Poulter expressed their apologies.

Jeff Scroger stated he had been and was very open to Board Member recommendations on topics for discussion to be included on the agendas so that all interests could be addressed.

Linda Horrocks added that the trails and arts subcommittees were created to allow for meetings with staff without needing to post agendas, minutes, etc.

The Board had a discussion about the difficulty in accomplishing the broad scope of parks, arts, trails and recreation, the subcommittees, events, and the benefits of separating the committees.

8. ADJOURN

Jeff Scroger adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

The foregoing was approved by the Parks, Trails, Arts, and Recreation Advisory Board of the City of North Salt Lake on Tuesday, July 23, 2024 by unanimous vote of all members present.



Wendy Page, City Recorder

