

OREM RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

Thursday, November 14th, 2024

Orem Family Fitness Center

Conference Room

4:00 PM-5:00 PM

Present:

Bryce Merrill, Shelby Peck, Alan Rex, Deborah Shuman, Mike Jones,
Doug Gardine , Dave Spencer, Eric Allen, Carol Walker, Reed Payne

Welcome: Bryce opened up the meeting at 4:04pm

Minutes: Approval of October Minutes

Director's report:

4:05PM: Last Months Potential Saving of Custodial Efforts (relocation of funds towards parks).

4:09PM: Doug Gardine: Who is taking care of the actual daily task?

4:09PM:Bryce-Airration daily tasks for the Turf Manager

Goals of stop missing extra sports usage

4:12PM: Alan-School District Overview (breaking Alpine School District)

4:12PM:Bryce- Questions of January 2026, new School Board, what does it mean for our interlocal agreements and property management (ex: 3 high school swim teams prioritizing events).

-Examples: Potential use of Sharon Elementary, used as a resource for the City of Orem. Softball fields at Orem Community Park

4:13PM: Alan- How frequently do you negotiate?

4:13PM: Bryce- Lots of amendments, cost of staffing can go up, meeting monthly

4:16 PM:Deborah- Are we in the middle of negotiation? Or do we have an agreement?

4:16 PM:Bryce: Both, we are constantly looking at new things and challenges

4:17PM: Doug: When is the time frame?

4:18PM: Dave: January 26 is when the new school board will start.

4: 21PM: Doug: Is the school board going to be dragging their feet for the funds?

4:21PM: Bryce: We will lose the ability to operate Alpine, without them signing off. No one will be dragging their feet, but it would need to be very important.

4:21 PM: Bryce- The interlocals would be the same as the 14 Municipalities, the amendments are with us. There will be a new level of customization.

4:22PM:-Mike-Do you have Mayzer practicing here? Do they have the same interlocal agreement as the high schools?

4:22PM: Bryce- They do practice here as well as Telos, but they do not have an interlocal agreement, they have a separate fee that they pay.

4:24PM:Bryce-The activity guide will be out in Spring (website traffic and marketing). It will produce a magazine, around 16 pages. Covering all programs and sports. Fitness will be emphasized as well as Hillcrest. We will also have one coming for the summer and fall, etc.

4:25 PM: Dave-Do people reup in January?

4:26 PM: Bryce- They renew every year or reup every year.

4: 26PM: Doug- Will you raise the daily admission?

4:27 PM: Bryce- Instead of charging up a little bit, we held 5 dollars for three years, and then looked at the analytics to see what changes we need to make.

4:27 PM: Eric- Are we still doing the annual pass discounts?

4:30 PM: Bryce- We have two sales a year, we have to publish the sales 18 months in advance, so we have the Black Friday sale, and then we do our anniversary birthday sale in March. Those are a week long. You will also get a discount at the Recreation Center, if you are a member at the Scera Pool (this would only be for annual memberships).

4:32 PM: Alan- Experience design, end of year presentation?

4:33PM Bryce- What we have found is that our staff can go to a variety of facilities, to grasp ideas for our department. Currently we have done 4 different facilities and places. We are wrapping up on December 10th, we are looking at big picture ideas. We will go up to Millcreek for our next tour (Ice Ribbon and Event Center). Each staff member will do a 3 minute presentation on their next big idea. (Wednesday December 18th).

4:37PM: Doug: How close are we to having a micro baseball field?

4:37 PM: Bryce: I'll add it to the list.

4:38 PM: Mike: Curious how the scoreboard is going?

4: 39 PM: Bryce: We had an error with the brackets being installed. We are ready to fix the problem as soon as possible.

4:40PM: Mike: What is happening with the soft surface on the pool deck?

4:40PM: Bryce: We just have to close the pool to replace it. We just have to estimate when we will have to schedule the maintenance.

4:41PM: Eric: Plans for Orem youth baseball field, thank you to Bryce for making the efforts towards making it more family friendly.

ADJOURNMENT:

Alan calls for the minutes to be approved

Eric seconds

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at

Meetings will be scheduled for next year and the calendar invite will be sent out accordingly

Meeting adjourned at 4:47PM