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Date/Time: October 21, 2024, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Location: South Jordan City Hall/ Webex option

Board Members		Attendance
Don Tingey	Chair	In person
Angela McGuire	Vice Chair	Remote
Colby Hill	South Jordan Representative	In person
Patrick Leary	Salt Lake County Representative	In person
Lars Erickson	Board Member	Remote
Amber Brown	Board Member	Absent

Others Present: Blake Jackson, Andrea Sorensen, Danielle Calacino, Brent Laulusa, Jen Goodman, Ted Fraughton

This meeting was conducted both in-person and electronically via Webex meetings. Agendas, recordings, and meeting minutes can be accessed on the Utah Public Notice site at utah.gov/pmn.

Board Chair brings the meeting to order.

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

Ted Fraughton flies RC aircrafts around the valley and mentions that South Jordan City has an ordinance against the flying of RC aircrafts. He says that with the help of Don, he went to the City Council to get permission, and they agreed to not enforce the ordinance at Bingham Creek. Ted says they've now been flying at the park actively, teaching youth and adults, and will typically have two airline pilots there assisting. He thanks the board for the opportunity and assures them that they only fly when there are mostly just walkers and dogs in the park, and not during any scheduled sports practices. Don says so far, they have not heard any complaints about it, and Ted says he'll stop by again at a future meeting to update the board on what they've been doing.

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Don Tingey asks if the board has any edits to the minutes and suggests one change to be made.

Action: Patrick Leary motions to approve with changes. Angela McGuire seconds the motion. The board approves unanimously.

Public Hearing: 2025 Budget

Don Tingey presents the tentative 2025 budget to the board and says it's very similar to last year's with a proposed total income and expenses of \$398,531.00. He opens the public hearing on the budget, but there are no comments, so he then closes the public hearing and opens the discussion among the board. None of the board members having any further comments or questions regarding the budget, and Don thanks everyone for their contributions in developing it and looks forward to operating a full fiscal year's budget.

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Action: Patrick Leary motions to approve the 2025 budget. Colby Hill seconds the motion. The board approves unanimously.

Construction and Park Maintenance Updates

Patrick Leary and Blake Jackson, Salt Lake County Parks and Recreation; Colby Hill, South Jordan City

Blake Jackson tells the board about their meeting last week to discuss some issues they're having with filters. He says the secondary water was shut down, so they switched over to culinary water temporarily to help water some fertilizer in the soccer field and to be able to winterize the system. He highlights a couple issues they've had recently with someone riding a four-wheeler on the bikes course, and damage to two basketball backboards which have replacements ordered and on the way. Blake mentions his crews are doing a large fall cutback in all the flower beds and shrub beds in the park, and they will be doing that work long past when the snow arrives.

Blake also mentions the temporary closure at the 10200 S park entrance. He says they made that decision to discourage large semi-trucks from using it to turn around, as they have been destroying the vegetation when doing so. They are hoping to find a solution through South Jordan City's GIS, but in the meantime, trying to get the route removed from Google and Apple maps so it doesn't route truckers there anymore.

Construction Project Update

Andrea Sorensen, Salt Lake County Parks and Recreation

Andrea Sorensen says construction is winding down but seeding happened in the past week along the slopes of the newly installed trails. She says they also received the replacement signs for the disc golf course back from the graphic designer and with the help of Dan Langford, they are in the process of removing the current signs, reviewing the new designs, and getting them installed.

Financial Items

Patrick Leary and Brent Laulusa, Salt Lake County Parks and Recreation

Don Tingey presents the financial review report to the board and says there weren't any transactions within the last month.

Don asks if they can discuss in either the November or December meeting what the expenses are that are coming up at year's end.

Administrative Items

- Website URL update

Don Tingey mentions the recent bill that was passed instructing all governmental agencies, including interlocal, to transition to a .gov website. He says they have not done that yet, but he is working with South Jordan City's IT Department to enact that, and they are ready to do so.

- Master Plan Subcommittee update

Angela McGuire says that the subcommittee met recently, and Andrea Sorensen is looking into the design of the park and why the three additional fields were added along with what the rental income might be from those. She also mentions they

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looked over the comments they received from the grand opening celebration and what amenities people said they wanted in the park.

Lars says they had discussions on pursuing potential design work in the park and doesn't know what abilities they have to request that. Don says that the subcommittee can bring a recommendation to the board to be discussed and voted on in a future meeting.

The board has a discussion on potentially installing synthetic turf fields in the park for the future fields because they don't require rest like the current fields do, and they agree they can continue to look into it and consider it.

- Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling Agreement update
Don Tingey says he had hoped to have the agreement to be approved today, but it's 99% there and should be on next month's agenda.
- 2025 Board Meeting Schedule
Don Tingey says he sent out the 2025 board meeting schedule last week, and it basically reflects the 2024 schedule where they meet on the third Monday of the month except when there's a holiday. The board says it looks good, and Don says they will get it posted on the Utah Public Notice website for 2025.
- Next Meeting November 18, 2024

Lars says he has heard complaints from neighbors of the park about people camping, driving on the sidewalks, and loud noises late into the night and asks what patrols they currently have in place to combat this. Don says he typically works directly with the police chief and the lieutenants, and they respond to complaints on a case-by-case basis. Don also says the police will patrol the park more often if needed but hasn't heard of camping or RVs in the park and Blake confirms he hasn't either.

Colby recommends that when people see or hear anything, they should call the non-emergency number and make a report. Don adds on and says that loud noise complaints also get referred to the Salt Lake County Health Department, who are the ones that enforce noise ordinances. Angela notes that anything happening outside of the park's hours should be reported too, and Don confirms and says those patrons could be escorted out if needed by the police as well.

Lastly, Don tells the board that Dan Langford contacted him over the weekend and said he's been hosting more disc golf events in the park and asked about the possibility of getting porta potties in the north parking lot. Don said he told Dan that in the city's case, if an event needs a porta potty, they put that obligation on the event organizer. Patrick says if Dan's events require porta potties, he should be going through the proper channels of getting a permit to have them. Don agrees and says the board can discuss further whether they think the need for a porta potty in that area of the park is a worthwhile expense. Lars expresses his disinterest in the idea due to the potential of vandalism. Blake says the vandalism they typically see with porta potties is them getting tipped over, either by people or by the weather. He says the clean-up of that usually falls on the company of the porta potties so that is something to consider.

ADJOURN

Colby Hill motions to adjourn and Patrick Leary seconds.

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