

NIBLEY CITY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, January 21, 2025

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Nibley City Hall 455 W 3200 S, Nibley, Utah

Sara Anderson took minutes

Workshop Presentation/Staff Reports Topics: 6:30-7pm

- Reports/Updates on Parks (Rod Elwood – Parks Division Manager)
 - Design Standards
 - CMMS (Computer Maintenance Management Software System): Utilized to help the parks department maintain and track assets. Better for reporting all aspects of parks.
 - Long Dry Winters & Traffic = Maintenance Nightmares
 - Joshua Nelson: Fields closed signs? Rod Elwood: Maybe in February.

- Reports and Update on Recreation programs and events (Chad Wright – Recreation Director)
 - Hiring 1-2 interns, maybe some other upcoming opportunities for outdoor recreation programs.
 - Holiday Christmas Sale, increase in sales this year almost 200 more than last year.
 - Christmas Décorating Contest: 25 Entries, more than previous years
 - Live Nativity: News story from channel 4. Growing and getting more popular.
 - Nibley Fit: Kendal Welker is the champion.
 - Super Start Basketball: First Year Offered. 3-4 year old program, 79 total participants
 - Super Start Soccer: Registration Open
 - Spring Soccer: Registration Open, Growing # of participants
 - Coed High School Soccer (Flag Football, Softball): Need participants, let others know.
 - Youth Spring Volleyball: Registration Opens (Jan 28th), 1st-8th grade
 - Nibley Royalty Academy: Recruiting Director
 - Baseball, Softball, T-ball: Registration opens February.
 - Nibley Hopstacle Run 2026: April 11th
 - Heritage Days – June 13th-20th

1. Call to Order and Roll Call (Kendal Welker) @ 7:01 PM

- a. Members present: Sara Anderson, John Hayden, Michael Stokes, Jason Clark, Manny Leybas, Kendal Welker, Kaitlin Madsen, Joshua Nelson, Vincente Cordero
- b. Recognize City Council, Mayor, and other public officials if present. Council Members Erin Mann, Nick K., Travis Taylor (Developer for Nibley Meadows housing)

2. **Approval of Minutes and Agenda** (President or Acting President): Michael Stokes made a motion, John Hayden seconded (9-0).

3. **Public Comment Period** (President or Acting President): None

4. **Action items review** (Sara Anderson): None

5. **Community Theatre Proposal Introduction**, discussion and consideration: by Manny Leybas (President or Acting President- Lead additional Discussion):

- a. Overcoming Nervousness (use what we have now & focus on that).
- b. Belonging and Community Identity: bringing everyone together to bring different skillsets.
- c. Human Connection and Empathy: Writing productions based on community stories.
- d. Access and Inclusion: lowers barriers to participation in the arts, everyone has a role (both onstage and off)
- e. Education and Lifelong Learning:
- f. Vicente Cordero: Are you proposing opening up to adult theater? Manny Leybas: Yes, expanding the program, with making Manny Leybas in charge.
- g. Jason Clark: Nibley residents only? Manny Leybas: Hope not, community theater
- h. John Hayden: Demand? Manny Leybas: See what is in demand in community. Find ways to grow and get others involved.
- i. Vicente Cordero: This is a good way to include those who don't fit in the sports 'bucket'. Lots of community to be found within this idea.
- j. **Action Item: Chad Wright: Get Manny a white binder and slides.**
- k. General consensus agreed this was a good idea.

6. **Anhder Park bike park redesign report on project status** by (Rod Elwood and Chad Wright)

- a. Craig Marlow presented to city council. They liked the idea of a redesign. Waiting for direction from the City Manager.

7. **Indoor recreation feasibility study project including discussion and consideration and a report on:** Wellsville City response, efforts to connect with other communities, and Cache County study steering committee report. presented by Chad Wright Recreation Director

- a. Nibley created a special service district, Wellsville also adopted this. Kind of waiting for Hyrum to figure out what they are going to do.
- b. Steering Community Meeting: create a timeline ultimatum? Could persistently by patient, General range of cost: Nibley Alone vs Southern Cache Valley
- c. Committee Member Support:
 - Ongoing community outreach
 - Social Media
 - Cache Valley Community Center Initiative Group: cachevalleyrec.org, Facebook & Instagram, Gathering a committee from all cities.
- d. Stop & Wait for Regional Scale Option?

e. Other Option?

8. Nibley City Center Park (formerly Ridgeline Park) project update by (Tom Dickinson)

- a. Update: Goal was to capture all the amenities in the park with the new restrictions.
- b. It reduced the area of park to a smaller area.
- c. The bicycle track will be ready this summer. Committed to have the park done this year October 2026.
- d. Lots of grants funding.

9. Nibley Meadows Park concepts for review and prioritization to generate a Request for Proposals including discussion and consideration of recommendations. (Introduction and review by Nibley City Staff and or Nibley City Council) (Tom Dickinson and President or Acting President- Lead additional Discussion)

- a. 1200 W 3400 S
- b. 7-8 acres
- c. \$1,000,000 is the current budget
- d. Purpose of the Park
 - Nature & Conservation
 - Open Space
 - Traffic Flow (pedestrian & vehicle)
 - Passive Recreation
 - Active Recreation (programmed)
- e. Distribution of Park Amenities in Nibley
- f. Phasing
- g. Chad Wright: skate park comes with other things, splash pad or spray ground
- h. Erin Mann: Treating them like two separate parks because of 1200 West road. Need for a dog park.
- i. Tom Dickinson: master plan: turf area, dog park, 2 play grounds, restrooms, picnic tables, splash pads – lazy river, etc..., good flow parking
- j. Michael Stokes: parking needs to be considered, get cars off the road
- k. Jason Nelson: skate park needs to be big or none at all
- l. Sara Anderson: splash pads that are more lazy river
- m. Kaitlin Madsen: multi-use fields, pickleball courts
- n. Priority: water feature - Splash Pad, multi-use courts

10. Committee member reports: community/public official interaction regarding Parks and Recreation and or other reports. (President or Acting President)

- a. None

11. Discussion and Consideration: of action items, assignments moving forward (President or Acting President)

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12. Next meeting will be Feb 25th (Wed)

John Hayden made a motion to adjourn at 8:52 pm. Manny Leybas seconded. Approved unanimously (9-0).

Meeting adjourned at 8:54 pm.

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