

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

Thursday, March 19, 2025, 9:30am

Logan City Hall- Aggie Conference Room

Present: Rachel Behm, Eric Eliason, Debbie Harvey, Justin Allen, Ed Stephens, Scott Mershon, Melissa Dahle, Bill Peterson, Jake Powell,

Absent: Alyson Ward,

Approval of Minutes:

- No quorum to approve minutes.
- Will need to review 3 months of minutes next meeting.

Board Business:

- Bill Peterson nominated Eric Eliason as Chair for P&R Advisory Board
- Eric is willing to accept the position
- Jake Powell has seconded the nomination
- Board voted unanimously in favor.
- Bill has nominated Jake Powell as Vice Chair
- Rachel has seconded the motion- the board has voted unanimously in favor
- Mayor has approved Scott Mershon's name to serve on the parks & Rec Advisory Board.
- He will be ratified next Council Meeting
- Scott Mershon gave a brief introduction to the board – board asked some questions to get to know him better.

Follow-up Item Logan City Property near Dry Canyon:

- Alyson could not make it to today's meeting.
- She had some thoughts on this issue
- State has sent Russ a letter- they would like to meet as well as it has impacted wildlife in the area
- Will ask if this can apply to private property as well- not just public/city property.
- Will most likely meet next month. Eric would like to attend. Meeting will be open to the board.
- All departments can do is grade area back out and place signs. We do not have the capacity to monitor the area.
- Russ provided Scott Mershon with a brief update on the disturbance of city property near Dry Canyon (bike runs, jumps). Illegal trails have been made on city property and to the south onto private property.
- The issue is physical disturbance from DNR standpoint.

Proposed Legislation for Bonneville Shoreline Trail Feasibility Act:

- Russ gave a brief explanation of a proposed bill
- Senator Curtis' website provides more details
- Russ received a letter from the Bonneville Shoreline Coalition requesting information for the proposed legislation.
- If anyone else has any information regarding this, please forward it to staff
- Federal resources will be used to line up both ends of the BST.
- Wilderness realignment may need to be included in bill
- Gap is between Dry Canyon and Logan Canyon within Logan City limits
- Eric suggested realigning an area on the trail to make it more accessible

Proposed Cemetery Concept Plan:

- Justin Allen was invited to this month's meeting to review the proposed Cemetery Concept Plan

Proposed Cemetery Fees:

- Fees were viewed and discussed by board members
- See attachment

Proposed Special Event Fees:

- Fees were viewed and discussed by board members
- See attachment

Parks Superintendent Report:

- Ed let board members know about ongoing construction at Spring Creek Trail, preparations to open park restrooms, completed disassembly of ice rink at the Plaza and prep for spring activities.

Recreation Superintendent Report:

- Jr Jazz wrap up this week
- All spring summer registrations open now
- LAC all positions are posted-will begin hiring process soon
- New LED lights, 2 new boilers will be installed in the next few weeks
- New bleachers will be delivered today
- Quad Building mural will begin this spring
- Plaza planting is next Thursday
- Self directed games will be out April 1st
- Virtual Leprechaun Chase this weekend
- Virtua Easter Egg-stravaganza up next

- Looking into new Recreation software as they had an outage and have affected- will upgrade once department is settled in
- Broomsticks & Boogie won Special Event of the year at the annual URPA Conference

Open Forum:

- Eric asked for an update on Canal Trail.
- Proposal to attorney has been submitted within the last month
- City attorneys awaiting response
- Department is currently in the process of permitting the Logan River Blue Trail

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 16, 2026

Location: Logan City Hall- Aggie Conference Room

Meeting Adjourned: 11:23 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Gloria Chacon