

MINUTES OF THE SPRINGVILLE PAR BOARD MEETING. MEETING WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, AT 5:45 P.M. AT SPRINGVILLE CIVIC CENTER, MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM, 110 SOUTH MAIN, SPRINGVILLE, UTAH.

Board Members in attendance: Kurtt Boucher, Patrice Bolen, Shane Lamb, Joe, Marvin, Emily Bastian, Tammy Israelsen, Doug Holm, Trevor Weight, Mathew Keifer

City Staff in attendance: Stacey Child, David Ashton, Hanah Silvey, Heidi Udall, Joel Grose, Josh Yost, Kim Christensen, Leslie Gleaves and Teresa Gordon

Members excused: Cindy Sweat, Malachi Hopoate

Members not in attendance: Alma Loveland

WELCOME: Chair Kurtt Boucher welcomed members of the PAR Board to the meeting at 5:45 P.M.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Tammy Israelsen to approve the minutes of April 28, 2026. The motion was seconded by Patrice Bolen. Vote was unanimous for approval.

RECOGNIZE VISITORS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Parks and Recreation, Community Events, and Capital Improvement Plan

Joel Grose, HCGC

Hobble Creek Golf Course Installs Community-Funded Clock as a Branding and Functional Asset

A new clock has been installed at the Hobble Creek golf course, serving as both a functional tool and a strategic asset for branding and customer relations. While modern technology has made this function largely redundant for daily play, the clock's value has shifted to tradition and event management. For major tournaments like the Art City Amateur, with fields of nearly 190 players, the clock serves as a critical, non-verbal marshaling point. Beyond its utility, the clock is being deliberately leveraged as a photo-opportunity focal point, like those at iconic courses like Pebble Beach, to enhance the visitor experience and generate social media engagement. We are treating this not just as a timepiece, but as a piece of community-funded infrastructure designed to elevate the course's identity.

Hannah Silvey - Art City Days Recap & Community Event Feedback

Hannah Silvey - P&R Superintendent reported a successful event week with record-breaking attendance for the Rodeo and 5K run.

- **Staffing:** The city is replacing Events Coordinator Candice Workman (who relocated) and hopes to hire someone with strong marketing/tech skills. The board also suggested contracting a marketer specifically for arts and community events.

Festival Street Grand Opening & Interactive Activities

- The grand opening was well attended and featured the Lieutenant Governor. Families enjoyed the murals, decorated hydrants, and art loops.
- Technical/Maintenance issues: The interactive GIS map for the art loops crashed due to high traffic, and some poetry installations began peeling shortly after installation.
- Pin/Magnet Activity: A new activity offering a \$10 base magnet with collectible pieces at various events (golf course, high school, Clyde Center) was highly successful despite late promotion. Leftover magnet sets are available at the Parks and Rec offices.

Amphitheater Renovations

- Significant upgrades were completed, including sound, lighting, bathrooms, and a green room (now featuring a ceiling, locks, mirrors, and AC). A returning visiting band praised the improvements.

David Ashton - Parks Maintenance, CIP, and Funding Strategy

- **Asset Management:** Dave Ashton, Parks Superintendent, presented the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) using a spreadsheet that tracks park properties, asset ages, replacement costs, and 10-year projections. The system color-codes annual costs (red), running balance/like-for-like replacement (green), and new projects (blue).
- **Funding Challenges:** Maintenance is funded entirely by the general fund, which is projected to become tight by 2035. Impact fees fund new parks but are constrained by slow development growth.
- **PAR Funds Debate:** A discussion occurred regarding using PAR funds for maintenance (to ease the general fund) versus the mayor's preference for funding new projects. While no formal decision was made, there was strong informal board support for using PAR funds for maintenance (e.g., playground replacements).
- **Playground Replacement:** Most playgrounds are 20+ years old (recommended lifespan is 15-20 years). The city aims to replace one playground per year to maintain safety.

Specific Park Projects & Overhauls

- **Hobble Creek Park:** The 2027 focus. The bid for a new playground is awarded (colors/layouts finalized this week). Other plans include completing the walking loop, upgrading basketball courts, and potentially adding acrylic courts for pickleball/basketball.
- **SHS Park / Spring Acres:** City covered a property exchange shortfall with the school district. Additions include pickleball courts, an Arts Plaza (statues, student art wall), and shared-cost field lights with the high school to extend playing time.
- **Heritage Park Sign:** A non-functioning sign owned by the Chamber of Commerce has been broken for 20 years. Political complications prevent its removal.
- **Brookside Access Path:** A heavily used path to the high school is overgrown. Ownership is unclear ("orphaned" property without an HOA), but the board generally supports giving it more maintenance due to safety concerns.

Active Transportation & Safe Routes to Schools

- The board discussed small infrastructure investments to reduce car drop-offs and improve pedestrian safety.

- Proposals include adding a sidewalk for Art City Elementary, building \$350,000 recreational stairs at Spring Acres Park, and constructing a bridge from the field house to Bird Park.
- Modifying or removing fences was noted to improve aesthetics and access. Broad support was expressed for prioritizing biking, walking, and wheelchair access, though funding remains undecided.

Board Engagement & Planning Tools

- The city hosts an interactive parks map outlining amenities. Board members are encouraged to add observed needs to a "wish list" to prioritize alongside community feedback.

Next Arrangements

- Event organizers to explore adding a "filter by day" view and logistical notes (food trucks, water, etc.) to event listings.
- Parks team to continue sharing the CIP spreadsheet with city administration to support budget and service level discussions.
- Parks team to make a formal case for PAR fund allocation toward park maintenance and replacement projects.
- Finalize colors, selections, and layouts for the new Hobble Creek Park playground this week.
- Clarify ownership and maintenance responsibility for the Brookside access path.
- Scope and cost estimates for proposed sidewalks, the staircase, and the possible bridge (including fence adjustments).
- Evaluate funding options (park funds vs. other funds) for maintenance and active transportation improvements.
- Follow up with the Chamber of Commerce regarding the removal of the Heritage Park sign.
- Send the link to the parks/projects wish list and interactive city parks map to all board members.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Shane Lamb and was seconded by Trevor Weight

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Next meeting : July 28, 2026