

AGENDA

OREM RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

Thursday, May 1, 2014

Orem Senior Friendship Center

93 North 400 East, Orem

Senior Center Lounge

3:00 p.m.

801-229-7110



Discussion Items	Action Requested	Item Number
Recreation Facilities Tour		1
Adjournment		---

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City of Orem
Recreation Advisory Commission
Meeting Minutes May 1, 2014

PRESENT:

Paul Crossett, Chelsea Jolley, JayDee Nielsen, Stacey Noel, Randy Park, Phil Patten, Steve Smith, Recreation Department Staff Debby Boone, Lissy Sarvela, Councilman Dave Spencer, Recreation Director Karl Hirst, Administrative Assistant Gena Bertelsen.

WELCOME:

Vice-chairman Phil Patten welcomed commission members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Phil asked if members had read through minutes from previous meetings. Paul Crossett motioned to approve minutes from February 6, 2014. It was seconded by Steve Smith. Minutes were unanimously approved. Jay Dee Nielson motioned to approve the minutes from March 13, 2014. It was seconded by Chelsea Jolley. Voting was unanimous and all minutes were approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Karl reported that there have been some twists and turns in creating the Youth Sports Program Policy but the city council has approved an ordinance that allows them to create a Youth Sports Policy. Sports groups have said they can fit into the groups that have been created or will explain to the selection committee why it does not work for their group. The selection committee will be 3 city residents and one city employee. Sporting groups will be asked to file a Request for Priority Status. The new selection committee will review the requests and make the decisions. Karl has been contacted by a number of sports groups who are interested in applying to utilize our fields for their programs. The fees have been difficult but they must happen. The city council can approve the fees, delay them or potentially pay some of them through CARE. May 29th would be the first time the city council would consider approving the fees. Karl invited all those interested in the process and want their voices heard to attend.

Karl gave each member a copy of the 2012 Strategic Plan. Meeting was then moved to the bus as the commission toured the city to view different recreation projects that need attention, are in process or have been recently completed.

First stop was at the City Center Park showing the shade covers paid through CARE, the two west backstops were replaced, security lights were repaired, some plumbing has been fixed. A 'Request for Bid' went out on May 1, 2014 for new bleachers, four sets for the west diamonds will be replaced. New toilet fixtures are badly needed in the restrooms and any leftover money will be utilized to take care of that. Karl reported that Orem Youth Baseball is trying to get a swamp cooler donated. Treeo has contacted Karl and is interested in making a donation of approximately \$5,000. Karl told them of the desire to have pathway lighting in this park and Treeo said they would see if they couldn't get that approved through their corporate office. Karl reported that the bleachers cost around \$4,000 each. Dave Spencer asked if they could just be refurbished. Karl stated that they are in poor repair, made of wood and not really repairable. The new ones are aluminum and very easy to move.

Commission members were taken to the Orem Recreation Center where they were able to see the update to the locker rooms and the existing pool. Highlights of this project were the flooring in the

locker rooms, the shower stalls, the new deck and the lighting and paint in the pool area. Members got to see crews in action digging out the area for the pool addition. Karl answered questions regarding the construction process. Karl explained about the cuts that have had to be made due to unforeseen expenses during this remodel including the decking around the pool costing much more than projected because of the way it was originally installed. The outdoor sun deck will just be grass at this point until further funding can finish the original plan. Members seemed very impressed with the design and details as well as the amount of work that has been done in such a short time frame.

The tour continued into the basketball area where Karl spoke of the difficulty having enough space to accommodate the community. He also pointed out the lighting as being very outdated and expensive to run. One of the council members asked about replacement of things like carpet and equipment. Lissy Sarvela said that through the past many years they have had to replace everything when it is absolutely necessary. Recreation would like a plan in the budget to be able to replace items on a regular basis instead of in an emergency.

Members boarded the bus again and were taken past some existing ball parks near the recreation center and Karl pointed out where Alpine School District owns property and where the city owns property.

ADJOURNMENT:

Bus arrived back at senior center and meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM. The next scheduled meeting will be held Thursday, June 5, 2014 at 4 PM.



Recreation Advisory Commission Chairman

11-6-14

Date