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## Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Thursday, August 20, 2015, 9:30am  
Logan City Hall  
Conference Room

### Agenda Items:

1. Approval of Minutes from April 16, 2015
2. Approval of Minutes from May 21, 2015
3. Leisure Guide
4. Pony League Baseball Season (Jim)
5. Summary of Youth Summer Programs (Dan)
6. Project Updates – (Russ)
  - a. Bridger Park
  - b. Canyon Road
  - c. Highline Trail
  - d. Countryside Park
  - e. Steep Dugway Sidewalk (600 East)
  - f. Logan River Trail to Trapper Park
7. Recreation Manager Report (Dan)
8. Parks Superintendent Report (Ed)
9. Open Forum

**Next Meeting:** To Be Determined



## **Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting**

**Thursday, September 24, 2015, 9:30am**

**Logan River Golf Course Tournament Room**

**Present:** Jim Laub, Jason Pond, Dan Blakely, Jordy Guth, Laura Sawyer, Edward Stephens, Russ Akina, Dan King

**Guests:** Trenton Bateman

**Excused:** Herm Olsen, Eduardo Ortiz, Rick Watson

**Approval of Minutes:** Jordy made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 20, 2015 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting. Jason seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved as written.

### **Downtown Concert:**

- Trenton Bateman, Recreation Program Coordinator, presented information concerning the BIG AGG Community Concert scheduled for Tuesday, September 29 at 7pm in downtown Logan
- In partnership with USU
- Entertainment includes four bands
- Estimated attendance is 3,000-5,000
- USU's Homecoming event for this night
- Several businesses in the surrounding area are staying open late
- Great Harvest is letting the public use their restroom facilities

### **Youth Baseball Follow-up:**

- Follow-up to the discussion concerning the Hispanic populations lack of participation
- Met with Sue Sorenson, Principle of Ellis Elementary
  - Suggested using a USU intern to introduce youth baseball in local schools
  - Staff will use the school system to get the word out, staying ahead of spring registration
  - Jim would like to schedule a meeting with Mike Hansen and Parks and Recreation staff (specifically Dan and Russ)
  - Rocky Mountain Cache Clash Baseball Tournament is this weekend on Friday and Saturday- includes 130 teams from all over
  - Debbie will contact the Herald Journal concerning publicity

### **Canyon Road Park:**

- Some property owners have posted no trespassing signs on the trail, they are not legal
- The City does have an easement on the trail
- Staff is meeting next week to address the concerns of homeowners along the trail corridor
- Pete Brunson is the water master for this canal corridor
- The City has several options for the trail

- Irrigation is on hold at the park for several reasons-staff is focusing on the 10<sup>th</sup> West Trail and reduction in seasonal staff
- Jordy expressed that it is nice that the trail is operational again (canal corridor)
- Photos used to update the Board
  - Canyon Road Park grade work completed
  - Trail connection into the park has been hydro seeded
  - Improvements to spring collection stream in the park

#### **Highline Canal Trail:**

- Pre bid meeting today, on site, at Hydro Park
- Signage has to meet National Scenic Byway standards, Forrest Service has requested that signage meet that standard
- Safety is a priority

#### **Trapper Trail Section Update:**

- Photos used to update the Board
  - East side ends with a boardwalk directly behind Logan River Estates
  - Middle section complete with progress on the rail fence
  - The trail will eventually tie into Logan River Trail
  - Cement has been poured to the culvert/bridge at Trapper Park
- The Logan River Trail is the most heavily used trail in the Logan City Parks and Recreation system
- Staff would like to eventually make a connection to 600 South
- The Department is negotiating with the Thatcher family for property needed to connect Logan River Trail to ICON/10<sup>th</sup> West Trail

#### **Recreation Manager Report:**

- Little League Tackle Football has been going well with a possibility that two teams will make the playoffs
- Wrapping up fall sports (Youth Flag Football, Softball, etc...)
- Taking registration for Jr. Jazz Basketball (largest program offered)
  - Just a handful of late registrants get turned away
  - Court space will become tighter due to high school sport program scheduling
  - Suggested using the school gyms for additional gym space
  - Hispanic population participation is minimal
- There has been an increase in special event requests for the Recreation Center
- Fee Reduction program is still in place to help those in need
- Staff will keep this program in mind when promoting baseball
- Referees are now employees of the City, Dan is still looking for referees
- The Logan Aquatic Center is wrapping up facility shut down for the winter

#### **Parks Superintendent Report:**

- Looking forward to fall
- Keeping up with numerous projects and requests
- Pickleball courts at Merlin Olsen Park, funding by RAPZ Tax, will be completed next spring

**Next Meeting – October 15 is UEA:**

- Meeting has been rescheduled for Thursday, October 22, 2015

**Open Forum:**

- Congratulations to Jordy for being featured in Utah State University Alumni magazine
- The Mount Logan Middle School field issue has been resolved
- On October 6 USU is hosting an Open Street Festival on 700 North (healthy lifestyle, food vendors), all are invited
- City Council is also meeting October 6th and will be discussing the Logan City Bike & Pedestrian Master Plan

**Next Meeting:** October 22, 2015 at 9:30am

**Meeting Adjourned:** 10:17 am

**Minutes Submitted by:** Debbie Harvey