**Wasatch County Parks & Recreation SSD#21**

**Board Meeting**

**May 8, 2018**

**Minutes**

**Attendance**:

Spencer Park, Vice-Chair Tom Bonner, Director

Kendall Crittenden, Member Heath Coleman, Asst. Director

Steve Farrell, Member Laurie Duke, Admin. Assistant

Greg McPhie, Member

Mark Nelson, Member

Mike Petersen, Member

**Excused**:

Danny Goode, Chairman

Spencer Park called the meeting to order at 3:18 p.m.

Tom Bonner presented the minutes for April 10, 2018.

Greg McPhie made a motion to approve the April 10, 2018 minutes.

Mike Petersen 2nd the motion. Motion carries.

Spencer asked if there were any Public Issues for future meetings. There were none.

Spencer asked if there were any Governing Board Issues for future meetings. There were none.

**Warrants**:

Tom presented the warrants for April 4, 2018 through May 4, 2018 in the amount of $131,380.16.

Kendall asked about the baseball hats as a pass through item and Tom explained that our youth baseball programs get a hat and shirt that is included in their registration fee.

Mike asked about the cost of the Cowley fence figuring it was about $30. per foot, which he felt was a little high. Tom explained that this was for the fence, with slats, installed.

Greg said that in the spirit of full disclosure and potential conflict, although there is none at this time, he noted there was a warrant item for Codale Electrical Supply where he works. Codale did the new Pump House for Parks & Rec. Steve commented that they gave us a cheap price for what they did. Tom reported that it is working great.

Mike asked if we bought a pressure washer and Tom explained that we purchased a new portable heated pressure washer that is on a trailer that we can use to hose down the outdoor arena, restrooms, stalls, pads around score towers, etc.

Greg McPhie made a motion to approve the warrants for April 4, 2018 through May 4, 2018 in the amount of $131,380.16.

Kendall Crittenden 2nd the motion. Motion carries.

**Memorial Day Event**:

Tom invited the Board to the Memorial Day Event on Monday, May 28, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the Event Center. Tom said that this is probably the best event, and one of the most important events, we put on all year, when it comes to giving back and recognizing our veterans.

This is the fifth year Parks & Rec. have done this and every year something else is popping up to compete with it. Every year we have had less and less attendance. Last year we had between 300 & 400 people. Tom asked the board for their feedback and ideas on ways to increase attendance.

Heath explained that there is a lot of work that goes into this event and we are happy to have it even if only the veterans showed up. He reiterated what Tom said, that they would appreciate any ideas from the board on how to get more people to attend. Kendall asked about bringing this topic up in the next Inter-local meeting. Mark suggested that an earlier start time might help. Heath responded that in the past we have held it earlier and decided to move it back to 9:00 a.m. this year to see if that will draw some of the people who are at the Midway breakfast.

After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that we will discuss this again after we see the numbers for this year and then we can implement any ideas to improve attendance in the future.

Tom reported that after the program Joel Hicken will be placing the stone at Veteran’s Park that he did for his Eagle Scout Project.

**Added Money for Mt. Valley Stampede & Jr. Livestock Holding Panels**:

Tom reported that he is working with Mike Davis and we are increasing our added money from $7,500. to $10,000. Mike Davis has agreed to cover this. It will be an additional $2,500. for each event, so $20,000. for added money. This will attract the big names to come to our events.

Jr. Livestock has grown and every animal category is up this year. The holding pens we are using are getting old and we need to add pens. The total cost for this will be about $43,000. for the holding panels and show ring. The Jr. Livestock has agreed to pay $14,000. and Mike has agreed to cover the rest.

Steve brought up a concern that we don’t want to get so many animals that we lose buyers. Tom responded that about 3 years ago they did make the adjustment so that each person could only sell one animal. They can show more, but only sell one. Spencer commented that Box Elder County sells 4 times the amount we do and they don’t seem to have a problem. Greg commented that the reason it is growing so much is because our sale prices are so high. He said that our auction prices, compared to the state fair, are not even close. He said that with more animals our price will probably drop some.

**Director’s Report**:

Tom had a question for Mark Nelson regarding the baseball field at Veteran’s Park that faces his shop roof. There are certain times of the day when the sun reflects off that roof and the players can’t see. Tom asked if we could paint it, or asked for suggestions, to solve that problem. Tom said that he has bought a rubberized coating paint that he is going to use to stop leaks at the Rec. Center and said he would be willing to buy it for Mark’s building also. Mark wants to observe the sun and see what needs to be done. Mark will work with Tom on this issue.

Mark Nelson made a motion to adjourn.

Kendall Crittenden 2nd the motion. Motion carries.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Laurie Duke