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

**Board Meeting**

**January 15, 2019**

**Minutes**

**Attendance**:

Spencer Park, Chairman Tom Bonner, Director

Jeff Wade, Vice Chairman Heath Coleman, Asst. Director

Kendall Crittenden, Member Laurie Duke, Admin. Assistant

Steve Farrell, Member Ivan Spencer, IT

Danny Goode, Member

Mark Nelson, Member

**Excused**:

Marilyn Crittenden, Member

Spencer Park called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m.

**Minutes**:

Tom Bonner presented the minutes for December 11, 2018

Kendall mentioned that Dave Kennemer’s last name was spelled incorrectly on page 5. Laurie will make the correction.

Danny Goode made a motion to approve the December 11, 2018 minutes.

Mark Nelson 2nd the motion. Motion passes.

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.

**1**. **Warrants**:

Tom presented the warrants for December 2, 2018 through December 31, 2018 in the amount of $54,803.52. Tom explained to Jeff Wade, and reminded the rest of the board, that line items hi-lighted in yellow are pass through items.

Steve asked for an explanation of “Little Crazy People”. Heath Coleman explained that it is an activity program once a week, for 45 min., for ages 1 to 4 years old. It is patterned like preschool, where they learn, do crafts, and play.

Steve also asked about the PRCA Bonus given to some of the Event Center employees. Tom explained that this was a bonus awarded through PRCA for the ground, so every year we pass that on to our employees who make the preparations for that event.

Mark Nelson made a motion to approve the warrants for December 2, 2018 through December 31, 2018 in the amount of $54,803.52.

Kendall Crittenden 2nd the motion. Motion passes.

**2. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Recommendations**

Tom reported that an ad went out to our website, all social media, and The Wasatch Wave requesting applicants for the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. As we have discussed, the board will consist of Mike Davis, Parks & Recreation Chairman, Parks & Recreation Vice-Chairman and four at large members.

Tom presented applicant’s name Ken Mickelsen. Ken was a former Parks & Recreation Director for 35 years and is now retired. He is a resident of Midway. He is also a past president of the Heber Valley Pickle Ball Club.

Danny asked if Tom had presented these recommendations to Mike Davis and Tom responded that he had not, but the last time he spoke with Mike regarding this, Mike indicated that Tom could go ahead with the applicant recommendations.

Tom presented applicant’s name Blaik Baird. Blaik is a current member of the School Board and has helped with our programs over the past 20 years. Blaik has knowledge of municipal budgeting from being on the School Board and being active in the Parks & Recreation Programs. He is a resident of Heber City.

Tom presented applicant’s name Don Taylor, also a resident of Heber City. Don is a past president of the Wasatch Trails Alliance and is also a board member of the Friends of Wasatch for Wasatch Mountain State Park, so he has knowledge of the Parks & Recreation Department. Steve Farrell commented that he works as a property manager for Deer Crest and Tom said that he is the General Manager for Deer Crest.

Tom presented applicant’s name Neil Anderton. Neil is a past member of the County Council. He is a former faculty member of Utah Valley University. He has been our volunteer Master of Ceremonies at our Memorial Day Program since we started that program.

Tom recommended that those four applicants be the at large members of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board.

Steve asked if there were any other applicants and Tom responded that there was one more, which was Rachel Kahler. In Rachel’s application she talked about two things. One, was needing more trails in Wasatch County and Tom felt that Don Taylor, as past president of the Trails Alliance, and a trails advocate, could be an asset to the Advisory Board in this area.

Rachel’s other concern was in regards to our programs. Tom reported that they have had discussions in the past with Rachel regarding our programs. She would like the programs to be more competitive where the kids are on competitive teams that travel. Tom said that our stance has always been to provide activities for the county. We do not want to put kids in cars and travel all over central Utah. He said that our #1 priority is to keep the kids safe. He commented that there are options out there to participate in competitive teams for baseball, basketball, football, and soccer. He also said that if we were to start providing competitive teams it would drive our costs way up.

Kendall commented that he really likes the way the programs are set up so that everyone is eligible and if we need more coaches, we get more so that everyone who wants to participate is able to.

Steve Farrell made a motion to go into Executive Session.

Kendall Crittenden 2nd the motion. Motion passes.

Danny Goode made a motion to go back into the regular Parks & Recreation Board Meeting.

Kendall Crittenden 2nd the motion. Motion passes.

Kendall Crittenden made a motion to accept the four applicants, Ken Mickelsen, Blaik Baird, Don Taylor, and Neil Anderton to serve as members of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board.

Steve Farrell 2nd the motion. Motion passes.

**Director’s Report**:

Tom reported that the LED lighting has worked out great at the Recreation Center. We are going to convert the park building and the Parks & Recreation office area to LED lighting which will cost about $12,500.00, but Heber Light & Power will give us a rebate of $9,900.00. The new lighting will pay for itself in 3 to 4 months.

Steve Farrell asked if anything had been decided regarding the previous discussions about the Memorial Day Program and Tom responded that, as of now, it is staying status quo. Parks & Recreation will present the program as we have in the past and at the same time as last year.

Danny Goode made a motion to adjourn.

Mark Nelson 2nd the motion. Motion passes.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:01 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Laurie Duke