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Parks, Trails, Arts & Recreation Advisory Board Minutes

Tuesday, January 28, 2020

North Salt Lake City Hall

6:00 p.m.

Attendees: Ryan Mumford, Ken Leetham, David Frandsen, Jon Rueckert, TJ Riley, Manuel Delgado, Alisa VanLangeveld, Rachel Shumway, Kristine Pepin, Julie McLachlan, Sally Beyer (Minutes)

Topic of Discussion:

- **Administrative Updates**
 - a. **Board Members (Manuel)**
 - i. **New – Ron Gordon**
 - ii. **Departing – Alisa Van Langeveld**
 - b. **Annual Board Report to City Council Review & Discussion (Alisa)**
 - i. **Presenting to City Council on February 4th**
 - c. **NSL Recreation Integration/Working More with Parks & Arts**
 - i. **Overview of NSL Recreation (Julie)**
 - d. **Park Visits and Assignments (Manuel)**
- **Event Updates**
 - a. **Sunset Concerts – March 21st (Manuel)**
 - b. **Kite Festival – May 9th (Rachel)**
 - c. **Summer Trails Series**
 - d. **Master Chorale – March 7th, May 16th (Kristin)**
 - e. **NSL Reads – September 23rd (Naomi)**
 - f. **Halloween 3K-October 31st**
- **Public Works Update**
- **City Council Update**
- **Chair Notes and Open Topics**
- **Review Action Items**

Minutes:

1. Administrative Updates –

a. Board Members (Manuel) –

Manuel Delgado is the new chair for this committee.

i. New – Ron Gordon

Ron Gordon called and said he will not be able to attend tonight's meeting.

ii. Departing – Alisa Van Langeveld

Manuel said that Alisa is no longer on this committee and has been appointed on the Planning Commission. Manuel thanked Alisa for all the hard work she has done. Alisa said she wants to help and will still attend all the events. Manuel said that he received a note from Naomi Hall and she will no longer continue as a board member on this committee. There are now two spots open on the NSL Parks and Arts board.

b. Annual Board Report to City Council Review & Discussion (Alisa)

i. Presenting to City Council on February 4th - Alisa said that the start of the new year the chair is going to go to city council during an open council meeting and report on what the board did for the year. It's a high level overview of what has happened. Alisa said it will educate the council members of what we do and provide some awareness. The first thing Alisa will include in the report is an overview of the board members and the commitment that the board members put in and the hours it takes to volunteer. The second thing Alisa will also talk about is the NSL Parks & Arts events and do a quick highlight and overview. which will include people that attended, some of our goals, the changes we did for this year. The third thing that will be talked about is the Public Works decisions that were made this last year such as the turf at Legacy Park, the fence at Mathis Park, Tunnel Springs lights, the decision not to do anything with the pond and getting closer with the renovations at Palmquist Park. Also, decisions haven't been made yet on Pickleball Courts and a Dog Park but has been discussed. Ryan Mumford said there has been lengthy discussions on the pros and cons with Pickleball Courts and a Dog Park. The events that took place this year will also be on this year's calendar. Alisa said they are not anticipating any new events this year. Ken Leetham, City Manager said that there is also a resolution that amends the resolution that created the board and is working on a draft right now to clarify the roles and will get a copy of that to everyone to review.

c. NSL Recreation Integration/Working More with Parks & Arts

i. Overview of NSL Recreation (Julie)

Julie McLachlan said she is one of the recreation directors and Kristin Robinson is also a director but lives in Idaho. They work together and wanted to talk about what they do. Julie said they would like to try and learn more about what Parks & Arts makes happen as they have been separated for a long time. Julie said they learn about certain activities that are put on from this committee because they receive phone calls asking about the events and would like to fill in the gap between Recreation and Parks & Arts and support each other. Julie said that in the Spring of 2019 the North Salt Lake Recreation started their first soccer league which has been a great thing for their community. They have also had their Summer Recreation program which they have been doing for years and have done the NSL Liberty Fest 5K Run last year. Julie said they will continue to do these programs and hopefully will only get better. Julie said they started the soccer program because they saw a need in this community for this program. They had a lot of requests from parents and had a couple of

sponsors to help with the cost. It started out with 114 participants in the spring and in the fall there were 88 participants. Ryan said he liked to see all the parks alive with soccer teams practicing. Julie said they offer thirteen classes for the Summer Recreation program and had 826 registrations and employed about twenty-five to thirty teachers in the community and cut a couple of classes to start the soccer league last year. Julie said they been doing this for fifteen years and have grown every year. When they first started they would get around two hundred participants and in 2018 they were close to one thousand. Ryan asked what you had to do to be an instructor and Julie said you have to be at least fourteen years old. Ken Leetham mentioned that they work about ten hours a week and Julie said it is very part time depending on what they teach. They usually come at eight o'clock in the morning and leave at noon. The Summer Recreation program runs from Monday to Thursday. The classes are held at Hatch Park and they do three weeks in June and three weeks in July. The soccer league will start this spring on March 28th. Julie said that they had just under one hundred twenty participants this year for the NSL Liberty Fest 5K Run and would like to change it up a little bit so they can have more families be involved and have more participants. Julie mentioned that a lot of cities have an all-day festivity that might be a good option for the 5K Run. Manuel said that some of the committee members have helped in the past and would like to help and work with the recreation directors in the future. Julie said they would also like to help with any of the events from this committee. Ryan talked about filling in the gaps with the events to bring in residents needs that are not involved with the events to date. Kristine Pepin said that the Summer Trail Series would be a good area to fill in some of the gaps. Julie mentioned that she would like the Summer Rec program added to the signs that are throughout the city for advertising.

There was discussion on having adult classes such as Painting, Photography, Computer, Pottery & French Classes. Ryan said he has thought about adding visual art for the last several years and wanted feedback on how they can do this for the city. Ken said that understanding the need would be the first step. Kristine Pepin said that something fun could be a mural contest and Manuel said that a yearly art event could be good. Ken mentioned the Bamberger Rail Line and said the Veteran's Memorial Park would be a good place for statues and something meaningful for this park. Ryan said there is a lot of spots in the city that could use some beautification. Ryan mentioned St George and how they display their art and said it works because it's a legacy and they have done it every year in the space designated and people know about it. Ryan said the road going up Eagleridge could use some beautification and had the thought it would be good if they just pick one area a year to beautify.

d. Park Visits and Assignments (Manuel)

Manuel said that he likes what they took out of the last Parks & Arts meeting and that is being pro-active with the parks. Manuel would like to see each committee member go to a park each month and have a list of what they are looking for and come back with feedback on the park they visited. David Frandsen said New York City basically grades their parks such as playgrounds, shade structures and a list of other things.

2. Event Updates -

a. Sunset Concerts – March 21st (Manuel)

Manuel said that this event will be at the city hall and will be a classical focus. Manuel will get a grand piano for this performance.

b. Kite Festival – May 9th (Rachel)

Julie asked if they could hold their soccer games on the same day this year. Rachel said that should not be a problem as the fields are very large.

c. Summer Trail Series -

Manuel said that the Summer Trail Series will be continued this year.

d. Master Chorale – March 7th, May 16th (Kristine)

Kristine said that Brett Levitre told her that the number one goal is to have a grand piano at their concerts. He would like to have the piano at all three concerts but if it's not possible he would like to have it at the Christmas Concert, then the one in May and last would be the March concert as the third choice. Manuel will ask Ken and see what the budget is and what is possible.

e. NSL Reads – September 23rd (Naomi)

Manuel said that NSL Reads will need to be discussed to see how this will be covered as a committee. Ryan said he will talk to Ron Gordon and see if he thinks he would be a good fit for this event.

f. Halloween 3K – October 31st

Manuel said this will also need to be discussed later to see how it will be covered.

3. Public Works Update Review 2019 Goals and Priorities -

David said it would be better to wait on this agenda item until Ron Gordon is here and when the other positions are filled. Manuel said that he remembers in the last meeting that they talked about having the budget discussion on the agenda in February.

4. City Council Update –

5. Chair Notes and Open Topics –

There was discussion about the Liberty Fest 5K Run this year being on Saturday, June 27th which is a week away from July 4th. In the past there has been very low attendance when there are that many days from the 4th. There was discussion on moving the 5K Run to Saturday, July 4th but after discussing how hard and hectic that is for the Public Works employees who work long hours at the Liberty Fest and David mentioned how there are a lot of parades and other events that are going on through the day. Ryan said it is something to think about and encouraged the committee to ask neighbors and hear their thoughts and also put it out on social media for a survey and get a feel of the responses to having the 5K Run on Friday, July 3rd. David said that he thinks it would work out for the 5K event to be held on July 3rd.

6. Review Action Items -

-David will send a link to Manuel to see how New York City grades their parks.

-Manuel will organize and let the committee members know what park they will visit each month with questions to be looking for at each park.

-Committee members put out on social media and survey the residents on whether they would like the Liberty Fest 5K Run on Saturday, June 27th or Friday, July 3rd.

-Manuel will ask Ken what the budget is for the Sunset Concerts and especially for the Grand Piano.

-Ryan will talk to Ron Gordon about a replacement for NSL Reads.

Next meeting will be held on February 25th at 6:00 pm at City Hall.

Manuel Delgado adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.


Chairman


Secretary