



Clearfield City Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes September 15, 2021

PRESIDING:	Eric Howes	Community Services Director
PRESENT:	Jim Cordeiro	Commissioner
	Tony DeMille	Commissioner
	Connie Dooley	Commissioner
	Matthew Mangum	Commissioner
	Thomas Mayer	Vice-Chair
	Aubrie Miller	Youth Commissioner
STAFF PRESENT:	Eric Howes	Community Services Director
	Curtis Dickson	Community Services Deputy Director
	Jackie Christensen	Recreation Manager
ABSENT:	Alyssa Belford	Commissioner
	Kristi Bush	Commissioner
	Paul Nielson	Alternate Commissioner
	Nathan Wimmer	Chair
	Vern Phipps	Council Liaison

Call to Order

- Mr. Howes called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

- No minutes to approve

Open Comment Period

- Mr. Howes acknowledged no public were present at the meeting.

Staff Reports

- Report by Jackie Christensen, Recreation Manager
- Updated the commissioners on the current events with the Arts. Planned events have been performed at alternate sites, as the remodel on the Arts Center has been underway.
- Reviewed plans for Movie in the Park, coming up in October. Pumpkin carving contest with Boonanza.
- Jr Jazz sign-ups have started for kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade, and they play in the fall. Older kids' sign-up starts October 1st, and they start play in January. Some years the Recreation Manager/Supervisors coordinates with Clinton and other cities to form a team for the older girls, due to low participation in that age group.
- All the adult leagues (Men's Basketball, Adult softball, Adult soccer) are doing well with participation.
- Pickleball has also been very successful. The city has hosted several tournaments, and participation is high from the surrounding communities.
- Group discussion regarding staffing, and participation levels for all girls' sports. Ms. Christensen explained the extensive marketing and outreach programs to solicit participation. A summer



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basketball camp was very successful. Also, the All Sport League, where a different game is played each week has been successful, and they will be continuing that in the future.

- Mr. Howes explained that the city tries to offer options other cities do not. Also working with high school athletics, to have students work as officials in games, as a solution to short staffing.

Park Watch Reports

- An overhanging Elm tree needs trimmed back on the Canal Trail at 650 North.
- Commercial vehicles are being left for extended weekend parking at Bicentennial Park.
- Several sightings of Graffiti at different city parks.
- Kiwanis Park & Jacobsen Park playgrounds are budgeted to be replaced.
- Dead trees at Fox Hollow.

Council Liaison Minute

- Councilman Phipps was absent.

Commissioners' Minute

- Compliments for the Arts in the Park program during the past summer.

Deputy Director's Report

- Update on the Arts Center remodel
- Review of upcoming Capital Projects, improvements to parks, entrance to city hall.

Director Reports

- Discussed use of CDBG funds
- Plans to install more drinking fountains, replace tables, benches, and garbage cans.
- PARAT will cover parking lot improvements.
- Discussion on staff shortages, and current labor market. The city has had to contract out some open spaces work.
- Discussion on Aquatic Center pool liner replacement, expansion plans. Addition of new blinds.
- Upcoming retreat: will evaluate each program and how it fits the business plan.
- Review of how the city has adapted to the drought. Updated water systems in parks have shown substantial water savings. All new turf is being seeded with a low water seed mix.

Adjourn

- The meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.