

MINUTES
Springville PAR Board Meeting –May 24, 2022

MINUTES OF THE SPRINGVILLE PAR BOARD MEETING. MEETING WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2022 AT 5:45 P.M. AT SPRINGVILLE CIVIC CENTER, MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM, 110 SOUTH MAIN, SPRINGVILLE, UTAH.

Board Members in attendance: Jeremy Barker, Kate Henderson, Lee Taylor, Patrice Bolen, Shane Lamb, Sydney Condie, Adam Provance, Cindy Sweat, Dean Duncan, Doug Holm, Jim Brooks, Logan Millsap, Trevor Weight, Ximena Bishop.

City Staff in attendance: Council Member Mike Snelson, Council Member Chris Sorensen, Stacey Child, Hannah Silvey, David Ashton, Rita Wright, Craig Norman, John Penrod, Teresa Tipton.

WELCOME: Chair Patrice Bolen welcomed members of the PAR Board to the meeting 5:46. Members excused are Polly Dunn, Kimberly Stinson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Doug Holm made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2022 meeting. Patrice Bolen seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Sara Baker and Natasha Rogers.

GOLF UPDATE: Craig Norman reported that everything is good. They are 25% finished with irrigation remodel. Will be able to fully water tomorrow. Completion date is mid-July. All materials are on site. Golf Course is staying busy.

RECREATION UPDATE: Stacey Child handed out the Art City Days schedule. Baseball and softball have started. Recreation is introducing an outdoor adventure class. Each week there will be outdoor adventure (hiking, biking, pickle ball, paddle boarding, etc.). Age groups for this class are 8-11 and 12-15. Class will a couple hours per week. Patrice wants an age group for age 60+! Sign-ups will be at the recreation office. There will be a liability form to sign also. Stacey introduced Hannah Silvey to the board. She is serving as our recreation superintendent. Next year she will be in charge of Art City Days. Hannah played soccer and participated in the Jr. college national tournament twice. She worked for Lindon City for 10 years.

PARKS UPDATE: David Ashton reported on the bike park. Working with contractors to layout amenities of the park. The new water tank is huge. Grading needs to be done. Designers have been doing GPS to figure out the best places for skills tracks. Tanks will be completely finished in October. We are hoping for July 2023 to be completely finished with this park. Getting materials is the big challenge. Doug Holm asked David if he has noticed some flags in Hobble Creek Canyon. Hobble Creek Bicycle Association has permission to put trails there where the flags are. These trails are separate from our development. DNR has given them permission and are helping with the project. Their trails will eventually connect with our trail system.

ARTS UPDATE: Rita Wright said that ADA restrooms at museum will be done this week. They are looking forward to the Children's Art Festival during Art City Days. UVU student is helping with design and build in front garden of the art museum. Arts Commission no longer over Sunday Concert Series at the museum. Patrice said it was very well attended and the concerts were excellent. She would love to see it continue. Ximena Bishop wants some of her schoolchildren to volunteer at the Children's Art Festival.

ART & RECREATION SUB COMMITTEES: Jack Urquhart and Kelly Wiltermood are City staff members that help with these activities. Rita wants to know if it would be helpful if each department lists activities on a master calendar.

1. Art Festivals such as Spring into Art, Create the Season, etc.
2. ¡CelebrARTE! Is June 4th during Art City Days. John Penrod reached out to Ximena to be on the Cultural Committee. Provo does a 4-day Latino festival that includes booths, activities, food and workshops. Close to 3500 came to ¡CelebrARTE! last year at the Arts Park. People that attended loved the location close to the mountain.
3. Rodeo
4. Art City Days

DOG PARK: Mike Snelson, Patrice Bolen and Cindy Sweat did research and have good feedback. Several board members made comments via email. General consensus is we don't want a dog park. Some say it's okay if it is done properly, but it takes a ton of maintenance. Sarah Baker (public comment) is a local dog trainer and she provided a statement to Mike with her opinion. She does not want a dog park. From a dog trainer's perspective, it's a bad idea. Dogs are attacked and pick up diseases. Most parks in Utah county are crappy. Other states have different parks for different sized dogs. A nice dog park would need to have liability waivers for owners to sign, a coded lock on the gate with camera, vaccination records, training certificate, current ID and licensing tags, all dogs on leash no longer than six feet from car to the gate and dogs with biting history can't be there. All patrons must ensure it gets locked before entering inner gate, no more than 10 dogs at a time, no cell phone use because people won't pay attention to their dogs. Kurtt Boucher did extensive research on this. Good dog park needs ½ to 1 acre per section, natural terrain, toy features, owners watch dogs at all times and clean up after them. If it doesn't meet the criteria, it is *worse* than nothing.

Patrice has been working four years with dog trainers. Trainers say that some dogs have nowhere to run and play off leash. Spanish Fork switches grass areas every day and makes it work. Trainers encourage them to go to dog parks and walk on the perimeter before actually going in. Patrice will never take her dog back to the Provo dog park. It was terrible. So many dogs have problems because they don't have a safe place to run. Patrice suggests we check with Spanish Fork to see how they do their park. She would love to see a dog park in Springville. General consensus of board is no, but no real strong feelings against it.

Trevor Weight wants to know what it would cost to manage and maintain a good dog park. Do we have the resources to do it? There were many citizens asking for a dog park when Patrice was promoting for the PAR Tax. Dean Duncan commented it is helpful when we calmly and intelligently talk about the pros and cons. Sarah Baker said if the park is done and run properly, she would recommend her clients taking their dogs there. David Ashton said the cost would be a fulltime employee to maintain the park. Looking at about \$75,000 per year for employee (includes benefits). Chris Sorensen said that Dry Creek area could be possible dog park. There are problems with water table and flood plain at Community Park. Patrice wants to know what we need to accomplish tonight as far as dog park. This item will be tabled for now.

DRY CREEK: Natasha Rogers (public comment) had a PAR Tax request handout on Dry Creek trail project. The land is there but it is not maintained. Residents can't use it often because it is not well cared for. Please create space designed for all abilities for residents and deaf & blind school students in the area. Possible features could be musical instruments, shade structures, art structures, bridges and paths. John Penrod explained that when Alex Roylance was here, the park was put in by the developer. Watering system was not good and soil was not good. PAR money could go into it but PAR Tax funds will not be available until next year. Shane Lamb said he went down there and wanted to cut down the City Property signs because it was embarrassing. Shane said not to forget dog park but do the improvements that are needed in Dry Creek. Doug said he is not opposed to do a dog park, but that Dry Creek is a higher priority. Kate Henderson said it makes sense to do something at Dry Creek.

David Ashton came up with idea to transfer some funds (\$148,000) from Community Park to Dry Creek. Dry Creek area has been neglected for a long time and needs attention. Doug asked if Community Park would be put on back burner. Dog park was part of the Community Park improvements. Allocate part of the money to Dry Creek (\$15-50,000) for study. Trevor weight said long-term maintenance goes to the City. Chris said there is a commitment to come up with some money to get started on Dry Creek. Portion of Community Park funds could go to do study on Dry Creek. The funds being discussed are not PAR Tax money. This is money already allocated to the parks.

BIKE PARK NAME: Tom Cherrington is concerned about naming it Cherrington Bike Park. Chris read letter to the board. Family wants to submit the name of Cherry Ridge Bike Park. They would also love to see a plaque about the history of the property. Council likes cherry ridge name.

PAR TAX GUIDING DOCUMENT: table for later meeting.

LONG-TERM PLANNING: Sydney wrote 2 ½ page email with great ideas. We need goals for 5 years, 10 years, etc. PAR Tax proceeds will be used beginning next year in July. Applications can be taken starting in December. We will get the application online. Folkfest and other groups will not be cut out this next fiscal year. Chris thanked city staff for what they do. Mike said that anyone on this board can submit agenda items.

Different departments are working on a master calendar. Cindy would like to keep talking about dog park. Mike has mentioned throwing out ideas for themed parks. Dry Creek will not be done in a year. It could be a long process. We need to have plans to get started on it. What new parks do we want in the future? Council appreciated the recommendations from this board last month. They really weigh in on our recommendations.

Action Items

1. Trevor Weight made a motion to recommend reallocating funds from Community Park to study improvements to Dry Creek Trail. Cindy Sweat seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.
2. Kate Henderson made a motion to recommend naming the new bike park Cherry Ridge Bike Park. Ximena Bishop seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Shane Lamb, second by Doug Holm. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting will be June 28, 2022 at 5:45 p.m.