



CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE

PARKS DEPARTMENT

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PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

March 17th, 2014 – 5:30 p.m.
COMMUNITY ROOM - LIBRARY

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Scott Cranston, Chair
Mike McDowell
Dave Patzer
Ron Edinger
Jim Lien
Bridget Hill
Mason Patzer, Student Representative

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ginny Tate
Addison Johnson, Alt. Student Representative

STAFF PRESENT:

Steve Anthony, Recreation Director
Bill Greenwood, Parks Director
Chenoa Dahlberg, Administrative Assistant

GUESTS:

Steve James
Brad Marshall
Rick Sparks

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Cranston called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Seven members were present, resulting in an official quorum.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmen Edinger led the pledge of allegiance.

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest.

4. STAFF COMMENTS

Steve Anthony announced the Kate, the stolen art piece from Riverstone, had been located. He added that the parks crew collected the piece and that he has been in touch with the artist to complete the repairs. The hope is to have it back in place this summer. He also explained that he is working with Team McEuen and the Arts Commission for additional pieces of art in the park. He announced the soccer festival being hosted by Sting Soccer next month and the SNR talent show being held on May 3rd and the annual dance on May 16th at the Eagles Lodge. He thanked Jim Lien and the Rhythm Dawgs for agreeing to perform again this year. He announced the activities that would be taking place during Spring Break as part of the Be Outside Program. He mentioned that registration for summer softball is going on now as well.

Bill Greenwood gave update on BMX reconfiguring the track. He described the repairs and changes being done. He added that it was reviewed on-site with the BMX Group prior to any alterations being made. He added that 4 Ponderosa Pines were lost in Section C of Forest Cemetery on Friday during the windstorm that came through. He described the clean-up and partnership with the Street Dept. he explained the irrigation that was going in along the Prairie Trail behind Ramsey 4 and Thorco Field. He stated that this is part of making a 'green belt' along the trail behind Ramsey Park.

5. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

7. BEACH CLEANER DONATION BY JUB

Bill Greenwood showed photos of the item being donated... a beach cleaning machine! He added that it is in the master plan to have one of these and he went on to describe how it works. He wanted to show it was being donated by JUB and had Steve James and Brad Marshall present for recognition. They spoke about debris on the beach, especially cigarette butts and the problems they cause. Steve James spoke about the partnership with the City and gave kudos to Bill and the Parks Crew. Both staff and commission members thanked JUB for the great piece of equipment.

8. AMERICAN LEGION AGREEMENT

Commissioner Cranston read aloud the staff report. He asked if everyone had a change to look over the final copy. Rick Sparks had no comments on the revisions. There was a minor revision to sections 9 and 10 to change "both" to "all" in reference to the keys being issued. Rick stated that he would like to recognize the Parks and Rec Commission and the City Council at a game and that the group is excited to use the facility and have a great season. He spoke about the history, legacy, alumni and fun they've had over the years. Commissioner Patzer thanked the group for continuing the legacy and for all they do. Rick thanked him. Motion made by Commissioner McDowell to recommend to General Services that they recommend to City Council to approve the agreement between the City of Coeur d'Alene and American Legion Baseball for the use of Thorco Field at Ramsey Park. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hill. All were in favor, motion passed unanimously.

9. MEETINGS

Commissioner Cranston announced the upcoming meetings:

- Tuesday April 1st at 12 p.m., JB's Restaurant
- Monday April 21st at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room at the Library.

Commissioner Patzer made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Commissioner Lien seconding the motion. All were in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.