



CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

February 23rd, 2015 – 5:30 p.m.

COMMUNITY ROOM - LIBRARY

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Scott Cranston, Chair
Mike McDowell
Dave Patzer
Ron Edinger
Maya Burgess, Alt. Student Representative
Maxwell Evans, Student Representative

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ginny Tate
Jim Lien
Bridget Hill

STAFF PRESENT:

Steve Anthony, Park & Rec Director
Bill Greenwood, Park & Rec Superintendent
Chenoa Dahlberg, Administrative Assistant

GUESTS:

See Sign-In Sheet
Jon Mueller

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

1. ROLL CALL

Five members were present, resulting in an official quorum.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Evans led the pledge of allegiance.

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Patzer made a motion to approve the December minutes and Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. STAFF COMMENTS

Steve Anthony gave an update on the action items for the evening. He spoke about the AAU tournament and the current sign-ups and activities available. He referenced the McEuen Project reconciliation.

Bill Greenwood provided an update on the cameras going in on the Osprey poles at McEuen Park. He explained the donations and process and thanked those that had generously donated and all those that were involved in the work being done.

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Cranston thanked all those involved with the Osprey camera project. He also reminded everyone about the BLM/4 Corners open house that was scheduled for February 25th at 6 p.m.

Councilmen Edinger made the motion and Commissioner McDowell seconded the motion to move the Pickleball court donation item up on the agenda. All were in favor.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

8. PICKLEBALL COURTS DONATION

Commissioner Cranston read aloud the staff report. He asked staff if this would go to Council and he was informed that it would. Bill Greenwood presented photos to show how the layout will look. He described the process of how this was brought forward and the great relationship that has been created with the user group. Commissioner Patzer had a question about usage and costs which then led to a discussion.

Public Comments on this agenda Item:

Ken Haydon – he thanked the commission for the opportunity to share in his passion and gave a history of involvement in the game and his experiences in other cities.

John Rodriguez – he explained that he teaches and promotes Pickleball and spoke about how this game changed his father in law's life. He also spoke about the donations received to date.

Nils Rosdahl – added that this is a great activity for people of all ages. He added that it was featured in the national news recently and that it is fun, affordable and social!

Dan Stewart – he touched on the amount of money that this will bring into our community once we are able to host circuits and tournaments at Northshire Park.

There being no further comments or discussion, Commissioner McDowell made a motion to recommend to City Council the conversion on two of the three tennis courts at Northshire Park into six Pickleball courts, grant budget authority to staff and to accept donations from the CDA Pickleball Association to assist with the conversion. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

9. Person Field Storage Building Donation

Commissioner Cranston read aloud the staff report. Steve Anthon spoke about the relationship with the Junior Tackle Association that has been in place since 1968. He added that they are a great partner to the City. Mr. Fitzpatrick thanked the commission for the opportunity to present tonight and explained that the association has the cash in hand to complete this project for the 700+ kids they have in their program. There was a discussion about the lease, setbacks, insurance and the City's responsibility for the building once it's completed. There being no further questions Councilmen Edinger made the motion that the Parks & Recreation Commission recommend to City Council to accept the donation of \$ 40,000 from the Junior Tackle Association to construct a new storage facility at Person. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

10. RIVERSTONE POND AGREEMENT

Commissioner Cranston read aloud the staff report. Bill Greenwood gave a presentation on the site and explained all the options explored. He added that this was the most feasible option at the site. He then explained that Jon Mueller was the architect involved with the park design and explained what will happen. There were multiple questions of the commission for staff and a discussion about the Memorandum of Understanding. Jon Mueller was there to explain the MOU and answer the detailed questions presented. With there not being any further discussion or questions, Commissioner McDowell made a motion to recommend the approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between Pinkerton Retirement, LLC, Riverstone Master Association, Inc and the City of Coeur d'Alene to allow excess water to be disposed of in the pond at Riverstone with the condition that the responsibility of facilities from the property to the pond run with the land, not just Pinkerton Retirement, LLC. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

11. INLAND NORTHWEST COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Commissioner Cranston read aloud the staff report. Steve Anthony spoke to the process and about the history. There being no discussion Councilmen Edinger made the recommendation to General Services that the City accept the Gift of \$ 25,000 for a new van. Commissioner Patzer seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Cranston thanked the Foundation for the generous donation.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Cranston announced the upcoming meetings:

- Tuesday March 3rd, 2015 – Caruso’s in CDA - Noon
- Monday March 16th, 2015 - Community Room at the Library – 5:30 p.m.

Councilmen Edinger made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Commissioner Evans seconding the motion. All were in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.