

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION



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Regular Meeting
~ Minutes~

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Thursday
January 28, 2021

5:15 PM

Hamilton Indoor Rec Center
1724 E F Street

The meeting was called to order at 5:25 p.m.

WELCOME AND ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Damon Burton; Robby Cooper, Chair; Mark Heinlein (Virtual); Ted Kisha (Virtual); Susan Petersen; Susan Steele (Virtual); Nancy Tribble; Sara Zaske.

OTHERS: Brandy Sullivan, City Council Liaison (Virtual);

STAFF: Dwight Curtis, Parks and Recreation Director/Staff Liaison; Kristie Ingham Staff; David Schott, Parks and Recreation Assistant Director; Greg Morrison Recreation Director.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Approval of minutes from September 24, 2020 (ACTION ITEM)**– Robby Cooper Presentation of minutes for approval. There has not been a meeting since September.
PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve minutes as presented; approve minutes with amendments; or provide staff further direction.

Tribble moved, Petersen seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Acclamation Vote: Ayes: Unanimous.

2. **Public Comment and Response to Previous Comments:**

Members of the public may speak to the Commission regarding matters not on the agenda or currently pending before the Commission.

None offered.

3. **2021 Commission Officer Elections for Chair and Vice Chair (ACTION ITEM)** – Robby Cooper

ACTION: Commission shall nominate and vote on the 2021 Chair and Vice Chair positions.

Tribble moved and Petersen seconded to nominate Cooper for MPR Chair. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Tribble moved and Steele seconded to nominate Kisha for MPR Vice Chair by. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

4. Pathway Development Proposal for Phillips Farm Park (ACTION ITEM) – Latah County Parks and Recreation Director, Andy Grant (Virtual)

Grant presented on the background and mission on the MAMBA organization. John Wenz (Virtual) President of Moscow Area Mountain Bike Association (MAMBA), presented a PowerPoint with photos of the proposed path location. He stated that the path would be marketed as a mountain bike trail for beginners and have very little impact on the park. The pathway would be approximately a mile long and located just south of the entryway road. Curtis stated that staff has looked the plan over and found it to be in line with the park's recreation mission for the youth of Moscow, very little impact to the park landscape, no cost to the City and he had no concerns. Wenz explained any signs on the trail would be made of re-claimed wood and other resources. The development schedule of the trail had not been established as of yet.

Burton moved, Steele seconded to approve forwarding this project to City Council for approval. Acclamation Vote: Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

5. Consideration of Hamilton-Lowe Aquatics Center Play Structure Replacement (ACTION ITEM) – Dave Schott.

The original HLAC play structure installed in 2000, requires replacement. Repairs are excessive, frequent, and many parts are no longer manufactured.

Total budget for FY2021 project is \$206,000. Staff received 6 proposals, but only 2 met the requirements of the RFP. Both options were from the same company, Vortex International. *Option 1:* offered 16 water features, 4 decks, a roof water piece, and open waterslide. 21'6 ½ "by 31'4 ½ ". The capacity maximum was 130 users. Total \$180,000. *Option 2:* offered 11 water features, 3 decks, 1 waterslide, twinsplash feature. 25' 9 ½ " by 25" 3". The capacity maximum of 100 users. Total \$160,000. The structure would be installed immediately after the 2021 pool season ends.

Burton moved, Zaske seconded to approve forwarding Option 1 to City Council for approval. Acclamation Vote: Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

6. Ghormley Park Pickleball Court Placement (ACTION ITEM) – Dwight Curtis

Staff is proposing to construct the new pickleball courts adjacent to the old pool house rather than where the old tennis courts are located. The new location would be considerably more accessible and is adjacent to the restrooms. The pickleball courts will be lighted to remain compliant with LWCF requirements that exist for the tennis courts. Construction would begin summer 2021.

Petersen moved, Burton seconded to approve placement change of Pickleball Courts location forwarding City planners. Acclamation Vote: Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

REPORTS

1. General Parks and Facilities Update - David Schott

Contacted by property management company about White Ave. trees which they plan to remove and replace this spring. Harvest Park spring planting of shrubs along with fruit

and nut trees. Indian Hills Park restroom and van accessible parking space this spring. Mountain View Park connector path and restroom upgrades as well.

2. Moscow Pathways Commission Update - David Schott
Putting new overlay at the pathway from Good Samaritan to Hordemann Pond. Begin Paradise Path lighting project this spring as well. Last meeting went over the goals and budget for FY2022
3. Moscow Tree Commission Update - David Schott
Starting to plan Arbor Day and what that will look like this year. Working on the downtown tree replacement plan along with April utility newsletter on the do's and don'ts of pruning.
4. Director's Updates – Dwight Curtis
Curtis asked if there is anything this year to ask for outside of the normal MPR budget. Petersen mention the heavy skirting used around table bottom at farmers market and other functions as we are not able to find ours. We will be requesting an Arborist for next year's budget. Possible change to job description of Rec. Manager no longer being over the Pool. Thus, Greg Morrison would then be over Eggan staff and over Pool staff. Amanda Argona from the City Arts Department being over the Parade. Some Rec programs postponed or cancelled. Morrison developing COVID conscious programs. Pool season looking at multiple options June 11th possible opening day. Staff is developing a gender-neutral restroom plan for the City's facilities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Introduction of Brandy Sullivan, City Council Liaison for 2021.

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

Next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting is February 25, 2021

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:15.

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Minutes Approved On

FEB 25 2021

Kristin O'Grady
Clerk/Deputy Signature