

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION



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Regular Meeting
~ Minutes ~

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Thursday
February 25, 2021

5:15 PM

Hamilton Indoor Rec Center
1724 E F Street

Meeting Called to order at 5:17 PM.

WELCOME AND ATTENDANCE-

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

OTHERS: Brandy Sullivan, City Council Liaison

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 Parks and Recreation Commission January 28, 2021 Minutes (ACTION ITEM) – Robby Cooper

Presentation of minutes for approval from January 28 meeting.

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

2. Public Comment and Response to Previous Comments (limited to 10 minutes)

Members of the public may speak to the Commission regarding matters not on the agenda or currently pending before the Commission.
None offered.

3. 1912 Center Auditorium Naming Proposal - (ACTION ITEM) – Jenny Kostroff (Virtual), Executive Director of Heart of the Arts, Inc. (HAI)

HAI is proposing naming the newly remodeled 1912 Center auditorium on the second floor “Lecompte Auditorium” honoring Janet Lecompte who was the first donor ever. Lecompte donated the initial funds to purchase and begin restoration of the 1912 Center. Lecompte started with a million-dollar fundraiser in which she ended up being able to give a two-million-dollar gift for the first project at the beginning of the building. She gave permission to use her name as a donor and this would be a great way to honor her.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Tribble moved, Petersen seconded to approve proposal of Lecompte Auditorium name to City Council for approval. Acclamation Vote: Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

4. 1912 Center Staircase Naming Proposal - (ACTION ITEM) – Jenny Kostroff (Virtual), Executive Director of Heart of the Arts, Inc. (HAI)

HAI is proposing naming the newly remodeled 1912 west staircase, “Mark Ford Anderson Staircase” honoring Mark Ford Anderson whose family made significant financial contribution to the renovation of the staircase to the second and third floors of the 1912 Center. Anderson was a

local artist and renaissance man. The family would be willing to pay to adopt it along with putting a great piece of his art at the bottom of the stair case.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Tribble moved, Petersen second to approve proposal of Mark Ford Anderson Staircase name to City Council for approval. Acclamation Vote: Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

5. 2021 Parks and Recreation Commission Goals - (ACTION ITEM) – Robby Cooper

Curtis presented the four goals for the year. 1-maintain a full commission, 2- review the master plan annually, 3-provide input into the development of parks and facilities standards to match Moscow's uniqueness and guide the Parks and Recreation Department operations into the future, 4- investigate a location for a second community garden possibility.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Petersen moved, Tribble second to approve commission goals as presented. Acclamation Vote: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

6. 2021 Pool Season Options: General Discussion – Greg Morrison

Morrison has been in contact with pool directors in Nampa and how they opened their pool last season with COVID restrictions. Morrison then presented what opening City of Moscow's pool this year could look like in the different stages.

Stage 2: No opening of pool

Stage 3: Allows 35 people in at a time as lifeguards and pool employees would be considered into the 50 people total allowed. People would be able to make reservations in two hour blocks up to a day in advance only. After each two-hour block close for half an hour to do a full sanitizing of facility. There would be no concessions. Everyone would pay an entry fee no pass option. Second option for this stage would just be lap swim.

Stage 4: Would allow 270 people in for two-hour increments. Allowing for sanitizing in between. There would be NO reservations or pool passes. We could possibly up the number of people at a later date if we feel we could handle it and keep up with sanitizing.

Masks would still be required in each stage while the mask mandate is still in place. The exception to wearing a mask would be going to enter the pool, swimming or exiting and returning to sitting area.

Morrison explained this is what they will take and propose to council and is not set in stone. Petersen thinks this is a great plan for all stages and feels that most people follow the mask mandate. Cooper voiced his concern that not everyone follows the mask mandate or believes in masks in the community and that is why the COVID numbers are still rising. Sullivan recommended possibly having a set date for the stages this way the City could accommodate to hiring employees for the pool. Morrison expressed his concern in doing so because if we do not go into stage 4 that would leave us with hired employees that can not work again. Steele thinks these options look great and appreciates the time put into this by Morrison. Zaske thinks these are all great and can not wait for the pool to open as a parent is excited her children will have something to do this summer.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: No action.

REPORTS

1. General Parks and Facilities Update - David Schott

The facilities guys have been working hard at snow Removal. I Swing at East City park modification that would stop the I Swing from moving when no ones in it. Mundy's Welding is fabricating a bumper that is against the ground and put a lock in the ramp when down. Still working on signs for this. There are now keys at the HIRC available to the public to check out for the I Swing.

2. Moscow Pathways Commission Update - David Schott
Covered the goals for next year.
3. Moscow Tree Commission Update - David Schott
Covered the goals for next year. Talked about the Arbor day foundation. News letter for utility billing for Tree Pruning coming out in April.
4. Recreation Programs Update – Greg Morrison
The Eggan is open and after school programs are running while in stage 2.
5. Director's Updates – Dwight Curtis Rec manager position should be finalized this week or the following week. The HLAC will be ran now under Morrison. Milton Arthur playground will be going to council on the 8th to get approval and in late fall begin pouring concrete and in Summer 2022 begin playground install. Converting all facilities to gender neutral bathrooms. Got go ahead today to send it to council for down town restrooms and Mountain View park restrooms. Moser Park 2022 design money for proposal is still in the works. Harvest Park have 48 new trees to plant.

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

Next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting is March 25, 2021

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Minutes Approved On

APR 22 2021

Kristi O'Graham
City Deputy Secretary