



**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

**September 26, 2023
6:00 PM**

Location: City Council Chambers, 408 N. Spokane Street, Post Falls, ID 83854

REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 pm City Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

WELCOME – PLEASE TURN OFF CELL PHONES – Thank you

ROLL CALL OF PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

James Hail, Dani Zibell-Wolfe, Krista Noyes, Angela Snyder, Christie Vranich – **Present**

Jayson Cornwell, Geena Duczek - **Excused**

Staff: Dave Fair, Robbie Quinn, Hayle Carver

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Final action cannot be taken on an item added to the agenda after the start of the meeting unless an emergency is declared that requires action at the meeting. The declaration and justification must be approved by motion of the Commission.

NONE

**CEREMONIES, ANNOUNCEMENTS, APPOINTMENTS, PRESENTATION:
ACTION ITEM**

None

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT

Commission members are requested to declare if there is a conflict of interest, real or potential, pertaining to items on the agenda.

None

1. CONSENT CALENDAR

The consent calendar includes items which require formal Commission action, but which are typically routine or not of great controversy. Individual Commission members may ask that any specific item be removed from the consent calendar in order that it be discussed in greater detail. Explanatory information is included in the Commission agenda packet regarding these items and any contingencies are part of the approval.

ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Minutes from June 27, 2023

Motion by Hail to accept the Consent Calendar as presented.

Second, by Snyder.

Vote: Snyder-Aye, Hail-Aye, Noyes-Aye, Zibell-Wolfe-Abstain, Vranich-Aye

Motion Carried

2. CITIZEN ISSUES

This section of the agenda is reserved for citizens wishing to address the Commission on an issue that is not on the agenda. Comments on issues that are planned for future meeting agendas should be held for that meeting.

None

3. UNFINISHED / OLD BUSINESS

None

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Review of Boat Launch Fees

Dave Fair, Parks & Recreation Director: – The Park and Recreation Commission at the City Council's direction met several times in 2021 to review our parking at Q'emiln Park. On July 27th, 2021, that recommendation was sent to the City Council and was adopted by them. That fee structure is what we currently operate under. For the last two summers (it has been implemented) we have received a handful of complaints regarding the fee we charge. One of those is from Patrick Green of Tobler Marina who wanted a seasonal rate or a resident rate. Another request was for us to provide a veteran discount for launching. This was a verbal request made to Bryan Myers. The mayor has asked the commission to look at these requests and see if any changes need to be made to our current structure.

Motion by Hail to table discussion of the Boat Launch Fees until the October Workshop.

Second, by Noyes.

Vote: Snyder-Aye, Hail-Aye, Noyes-Aye, Zibell-Wolfe-Aye, Vranich-Aye

Motion Carried

5. ADMINISTRATIVE / STAFF REPORTS

a. Update on Community Forest Fire

Dave Fair, Parks & Recreation Director, gave a status report of where this issue stands. The Parkway Fire consumed approx. 80 acres of land. With resources in the area, they were able to get a handle on it very quickly. The park was closed during the time the firefighters were on site and staying in the park. Currently, the park has reopened a portion of the Community Forest. The fire area is still closed and will stay closed until next spring.

b. Staff review on Post Falls Festival

Hayle Carver, Recreation Outreach Specialist: This year's Post Falls Festival was the largest yet. With 160+ vendors. 92-3 day, 18-food, 50-1 day craft vendors. The weekend started with the Celebration of the 100 years of the Chapin Building, followed by the remaining schedule of events from Friday through Sunday. Festival Partners are a huge part of the event. This year we partnered with City Link North, Post Falls Police Department, P1FCU, Post Falls Community Volunteers, Post Falls Historical Society, Post Falls Community Ambassadors, and Calvary Lutheran Church. The Sponsors for the Movie in the Park were Uhaul & Numerica Credit Union.

c. 2024 Construction Projects

Robbie Quinn, Parks Planner Robbie, updated the Commission on the construction projects coming up in 2024.

- Black Bay Park, went out to bid today. The bid due date is in November, hoping to get it approved by the council in December. With construction starting in January through November of 2024.
- Community Garden Parking Lot, Bids will go out this winter, with construction next summer. It will be a 2-3 month project.
- Woodbridge, replacing the playground and relocating to the east side of the park closer to the restrooms and parking lot. A budget allowing a shelter may also be added.
- Montrose Sports Complex, working on design this winter with the developer. Construction will start next spring, with ball fields being completed in the fall of 2024. And ready to play on the summer of 2025.

Black Bay Park, received final approval on the Grant from federal and state.

6. COMMISSION COMMENT

7. ADJOURNMENT

6:35 PM

Date:

2/27/2024

Chair:

Geena Ducek

Attest:

Kristen Finckel

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Members: Jayson Cornwell, Dani Zibell-Wolfe, James A. Hail III, Krista Noyes, Angela Snyder

Mission

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Vision

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"Where opportunities flow and community is a way of life"