

**SPANISH FORK CITY
PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING**

Monday, February 4, 2013

Members Present: Susan Barber, Garry Briggs, Doug Brown, Rod Dart, Betsy Redford, Dale Robinson, Doug Snell, Treaci Tagg

Staff Present: None

- I. **Review Minutes** from meeting held December 3rd (January meeting was canceled)
Motion - Doug Brown
Second - Garry
Motion passed unanimously

II. **Committee Appointments**

Doug Ford and Doug Snell will be appointed at the city council meeting tomorrow night. The Mayor and Council has asked that in the future when we have a term end, they would like to have us submit 2 or 3 names to them for consideration to fill that spot. Among these names can be the person whose term ended. Once they have made a selection the Mayor will contact them and ask if they are willing to serve.

III. **Paperless**

Dale suggested that we try going paperless for this meeting. He will email out the minutes of the previous meeting as well as the agenda for the next meeting with the meeting reminder (did I use the word meeting enough) so that you have a few days to review them. He will also display them on the screen at the meeting. Everyone agreed to give it a try.

IV. **Water Park**

The water park manager has been concerned about the decrease in attendance and revenue at the pool the last few years. It has been affected by the building of a reservoir and the splash pad at north park, as well as Payson opening a new pool, and the all access pass to various attractions in the valley including seven peaks. He would like to lower the swim fee .50 in order to hopefully attract more patrons. As we looked at the numbers they actually indicated a slight increase last year over the previous year. It was suggested that we leave the fee alone for another year and see if it continues to trend up. It would be very difficult to lower the fee and then try to get it back later. We are already one of the lowest in the valley. We recognize that the council has to approve fee changes. This was simply to get some feedback from members of the committee.

V. **Mid-Year Council Training Presentation**

Dale shared the presentation that he gave at the council training meeting in Midway last month so that the committee could be informed of the various issues and proposed projects that we have going on in the department this next year. Doug Snell is going to follow up with Steve Maughn at Nebo School District regarding additional tennis courts at the sports park and plant a seed for a new grandstand at Nelson baseball field.

VI. **Other Business**

Doug Snell found a location that he feels is ideal for an ice skating rink. He suggested the Ray Allen Swenson Park in the river bottoms next to the trail. He said there is already a pavilion structure and a place to build a fire. All we need is to get water to the location and make an ice sheet (when it is cold enough to freeze and stay frozen). Doug will try to contact someone in the Swenson family to inquire about the possibility since it is on private property.

VII. Next Meeting: Monday, March 4th @ 5:00 p.m.