

MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON APRIL 18, 2018, AT 6:00 P.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Lou Ann Watson, Beth Dickinson, Fred Busing, Ben Cumber, Renae Roberts

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Brad Stokes, Caylin LePire

**REPRESENTATIVES:** Mayor Sykes, Councilman Bundy; Recreation Superintendent Tiffany Belt; Parks Superintendent Miguel Pedroza

**TRANSCRIBER:** Amy Pearson

**MINUTES:**

Ben Cumber made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 21, 2018 meeting. Lou Ann Watson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**RECOGNIZE PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE:**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Spring Soccer Program**

They are two weekends into soccer with three more to go; May 5<sup>th</sup> will be the last day. Everything is going well and the officials are doing a really good job. Item closed.

**Arbor Day Celebration – April 27, 2018**

The celebration will take place at 11:00 a.m. at Richard Aguirre Park. Beginning right at 11:00 the newspaper will be present to take photos as the proclamation is read. Idaho Power awarded the city \$400 to purchase a tree to plant. They also received the Idaho Arbor Day tree planting grant for \$300. Typically agencies can get this grant two years in a row and then don't receive it the third year. This is the second year so we likely won't see it in 2019. They worked with Brad Stokes and through the University of Idaho greenhouse they were able to get different types of trees and more of them to give out to the public. This year they will be giving out 100 Antelope Bitterbrush, 100 White Pine, and 100 of a third species that they couldn't remember the name of. In past years they've only been able to give out 100 Blue Spruce to the community so they really want to provide more to the public. Item Closed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**STEM Programs**

Brad Stokes and Tiffany are currently looking for grant funding opportunities. Tiffany said they are also putting notices in the next water bill seeking instructors for coding and any type of STEM education. Carry forward.

**Swimming Pool**

The pool has been cleaned and is ready to be filled. They had to redo the drains to meet the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act because they did not meet the requirements. They also changed the water turn on in the parking lot. They have approximately 32 summer hires; one will be shared with parks and there are eight attending lifeguard training. The pool will open on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and close on August 11<sup>th</sup>. Carry forward.

### **Optimist Multi-Use Complex**

Miguel shared the layout with the committee. There will be 18 RV spots. The project will be completed in phases but they are hoping this year to get the drip system in for the trees. They were going to have a pond but they have decided to turn it into a fire pit. Next year they will put in the dump station so until then it will just be dry camping.

Miguel also presented the oval track with the rugby field on the inside of it. They are hoping to complete the rugby field this year. If the rugby field is established in time, the rugby team is hoping to bring the state tournament here next year. Item closed.

### **Mountain Home Pollinator Protection Policy**

Brad was able to complete the policy just prior to the meeting. It is still a work in progress and is being forwarded to the city attorney for review. Brad's biggest concern is making sure that the policy doesn't say that the city can't use particular products/chemicals; just when possible an alternate may be used. The committee will review the policy and discuss it further next meeting. Carry forward.


### **GENERAL BOARD DISCUSSION**

Fred asked if anything had been decided on the process for Eagle Scout projects. Item added to the agenda for the next meeting.

Tiffany said that Spring Clean Up is scheduled for May 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> with Hazardous Material Waste Day on May 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the committee, Ben Cumber made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Beth Dickinson seconded the motion. All in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 P.M.



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### **AGENDA ITEMS FOR MAY 16, 2018 MEETING**

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

STEM Program  
Swimming Pool  
Mountain Home Pollinator Protection Policy

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Summer Programs  
Eagle Scout Project Submission Process