

Park City Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

PC MARC
1200 Little Kate Road
Park City, Utah 84060

RAB Members Present: Meg Steele, Emma Garrard, Jody Whitesides, Kraig Moyes, Julian Coffman (online), Abby McNulty (online)

Not Present: Nikki Nelmark, Holland Lincoln, Cathy Jordan

Council Present: None

Staff Present: Ken Fisher, Heather Todd, Tate Shaw

Public Present:

Public Input:

Communications and Disclosures:

This winter ice rinks will move from the tennis courts to the infield of the softball field. They will be the same size and will help with the snow removal. There is some interest in programming at the rinks. They will also set the cross-country track at the park.

Kraig asked if there was any talk of a warming hut. Ken does not believe so. Meg is going to investigate extra shed options.

The new lights at City Park will be scheduled, they will be a nice addition to the winter activities.

There was a minor issue that Pickleball players were being charged \$34.00 per hour per court instead of the \$17.00. The court fees for both tennis and pickleball are the same. Per the fee schedule the Recreation Director is able to make adjustments based on usage. ...

Tate gave accolades to the department's weekend event, The Pumpkin Smash Event. It was a huge success, estimating roughly 300 participants. Kraig agreed that he had received great feedback on the event and appreciates the event as it engaged youth of all ages.

Previous board member Cathy Jordan has moved outside of city limits. She will no longer be on the board. Her seat will be filled in July with the other expiring seats.

Approval of October Minutes: Minutes approved

Future Youth Engagement

Julian summarized the meeting with the Youth Engagement Committee and Recreation Staff (Lauren Wall & Spencer Madanay).

- The committee determined the need to recruit the voices of the youth. The group landed on creating a Youth Recreation Advisory Board. Moving forward we will be creating the board, determine initiatives, and filling seats. This board will not be limited to 84060, rather based on Park City School District Boundaries. This will be geared towards 14 – 18 year olds.
- Tate is working with executive department on what the youth board can or can't do.
- Julian is keeping notes and communications of the group.
- Lauren is researching opportunities.
- Spencer is creating a marketing plan to recruit youth.
- Jody shared ideas that other school districts are implementing similar to what the committee is considering.
- Kraig & Meg were complimentary and excited for the progress and ideas shared.
- Tate encouraged the board to continue to send him ideas that they come across.
- Meg wanted to be sure that the private and charter schools engaged as well.

Recreation Projects Update

Staff met with Brent Tibbets, VCBO, today to discuss the pool and potential MARC expansion concepts.

- Originally it was discussed that the pools would be near the front of the building and expanding out the back. After doing more research, it has been determined that there was more space in the back of the building for the pools. Allowing for both the lap and leisure pool to be on one campus.
- The potential expansion would be out the front. Conceptually, the building would be two floors, the upper floor being open to the lower level, all glass, with potential fitness space outside.
- The pools are currently being designed as two bodies of water in order to mitigate pool contaminations and temperatures. The leisure pool concept include slides, zero entry, shamu deck, and nearly doubles the size of the current pool.
- The design utilizes the current landscaping and provides plenty of space for social gatherings with access to pools, tennis courts, and fitness area. Additionally, there was suggested to be a party room and lifeguard room on deck connected to the facility.
- The lap pool will be 6 lanes slated to be 9' deep.
- Ken met with the NAC and VCBO and Joe Pullman (president of the pickleball club) to catch everyone up with design updates. Currently, the design has moved the building behind the open courts between the NAC and the outdoor courts. The NAC was supportive and excited for the changes. Another change is to try to get the ice sheet attached to the current ice facility. There are three locations being considered, the front corner of the current facility, over the current sledding hill, or behind the facility on the hospital site.
 - Ken added that there are also more courts added, 12 indoor and 12 outdoor.
 - Emma asked if there were any improvements made to the warming hut as it all seems pickleball driven. Ken explained that once the design gets into detail he will engage the Nordic community to be sure that their needs are met. Emma just wants to be sure that there is an improvement of what already exists, as it currently looks like the flat area that is currently used is being created as parking.

- Tate further clarified that at this point the level of detail has not yet been determined. This will be addressed as the conceptual design is detailed.
- Kraig added that he believes moving the building will potentially increase the area to be used for the skiing groups.
- Ken confirmed that the intention is to improve the trail usage facilities for all activities.
- Julian asked how it was determined to increase more pickleball courts at this point in the design. Tate explained that the current design is relevant to noise control per the NAC. The bond does not specifically call out details of the facilities and what will be included.
- Emma encouraged that if they want the support of the trail users, the concepts have to show the efforts and details going into the trails. Kraig suggests that it could be encouraged that there will be an opportunity for these communities to have a larger voice once the funding is available.
- Ken inquired of the board about the programming being offered at the community center. Historically it has housed programming for roughly 5 – 12-year-olds in the summer day camp. Conversations have included allotting a space for a private childcare to operate from. Currently, staff has interest in offering a younger aged camp for 4-6 year olds. They believe this offering would marry better with the current offerings.
- Abby is in full support of the younger camp while not taking away any space of the current offerings.
- Currently there are roughly 85 kids a day, with goals of offering up to 150 kids with the new center.
- Tate included, that by not offering a portion of the facility to a private entity, the facility could potentially be used after camp hours for other community needs.
- Emma asked if the facility would be used throughout the year. Ken added that a few things have been talked about such as expanding fitness, non-profit meeting space, parties. In December Ken will have drawings for all the projects.
- Kraig has concerns that council sees a need for the 0-3 daycare. It would be easy to subsidize a program through a city facility.
- Ken explained he met with the City Manager on the subject, and explained that there was not clear direction given by Council. His plan was to bring it to RAB and get their input. Then take it to council to walk them through the concepts and for further direction on the program use. Ken is confident that they will be supportive in this other group that is in need when school is out of session.
- Tate expressed to the board the need for them to discuss and give input on the current staff suggestions so staff can then take their input to Council in the future.
 - Abby would like to have more details on the programming and what options there could be. Ken and Tate both suggested that they are asking the board to consider these things to then be discussed in the next meeting.
 - Julian asked if there was any information that could be shared to help the board in the process.
 - Ken explained that the City has put some effort into supporting these needs such as a \$1,000,000.00 grant and the rental space of the Library to PCTOTS.
 - Abby would like to see what staff can do with the space if it is not used for 0-3. Kraig does not believe that this age group is the business of the Recreation Department.

- Ken will try to have Sparano Mooney, architects of the Community Center, attend the December meeting.
- Tate read a blurb from an internet resource that details the needs of this younger age group ([Facilities | ECLKC \(hhs.gov\)](#)). In summary, the needs are far greater and limiting to the current conceptual space.
- Abby would like to see compelling reasons why recreation should not be in the business of 0-3 care.
- Julian would like the email to be sent to board members for their consideration. He expresses the need to build the building based on the programming needs and not the other way around.
- Kraig does recognize that the need is there, but is this the best space for it. Does this space need to be reconsidered in its design?
- Tate feels it would benefit to get a more clear direction from Council.
- Kraig would like there to be a concept in the December meeting.

Adjourn 7:45 pm