

Snake River Canyons Park Boards

300 N. Lincoln Ave.

Jerome, ID. 83338-2317

Open Meeting Minutes

Thursday August 11, 2022

Meeting at Caddy Shack, Jerome Country Club

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am by chairman Bill Bridges, Also, in attendance were board members Greg Moore, John Weston, Jeff Pierson, Sue Williams and Brenda Weekes

Guests included: Charlie Howell, Peter Parker and Randal Brunmeier (IDL)

All board members and guest introduced themselves.

The minutes from the July 14 meeting were approved. Greg Moore motioned we accept the minutes, Sue Williams seconded.

Bill Bridges gave the treasurers report. Bill Bridges, Jeff Pierson and Greg Moore are the signatures on the checking account.

\$14,147 from county \$1500 for signs.

\$1659 in our account.

Sue Williams presented the information on the RV Park. We got one bid and it was way over budget. Bid from Triple J Excavation in Wendell for \$495,428. Gererd Martins said this was unreasonable. The board recommended that we not accept the bid. Before the regular meeting Sue, Greg, jeff and my self brainstormed ideas for getting a contractor on the project. Break the job into small parts or leave off the large turnaround area at the north end. The toilets have not been ordered. Seven picnic tables are ready to go. Can we take them and put in the lock up at the airport? We need to go to the DOL office and get the kiosk, so we can start putting our sign up for the RV park.

Lexi talked to the Web page people, they have not been paid in 6 months. They sent the bill to the wrong address. This has been corrected and they will be paid soon. Several improvements are needed to the WEB page. Bill has given them some feedback. Nobody is handling the Facebook page. Brenda suggested we hook up with the Hagerman newsletter. It comes out monthly.

Larry Hall has the information he needs to get the SAMS number to get the \$185,000 from the federal Government. We had a meeting with Water engineer, Brockman. He will charge us 50% or \$4000 to do the hydrology work for the broken bridge. Randell Brunmeier (DOL) told us we only need one 404 form filled out and he will distribute it to all the other government agencies that will need it. Brenda will go to the DOL office and get the 404 form started. Randal says he will help us get this done. Bill made contact with SILT in Twin Falls the new trail committee. They are having a fund raiser in August. They want to help build the bridge.

Charlie's trip to Arizona was cancelled to work with the BLM on a shooting range.

Carl Nellis recently passed away. Carl with Jim Erwin have been instrumental in cleaning up the canyon. Most recently they worked to clean up the graffiti at Yingst Grade. We would like to name the Yingst grade trail "Carl Nellis & Jim Erwin Walking Trail". After the meeting the County Commissioners ask me to make 3 signs with "Carl Nellis & Jim Erwin Walking Trail" on them for the dedication one sign and one to each family.

Peter Parker from EcoPoint gave a presentation on what they do. They can do a topographical map of the park. They can map the weeds.

Bill had several pieces of information to share. Bill and Charlie Howell met with the DOL and ATT about the Cell Tower on DOL property next to the Falls overlook. The pole will be one pole, painted brown to look like a telephone pole. Idaho Power already has several poles in the area. The pole will have a small building and a fence around it.

Bill talked to the BLM about fire restoration. BLM are the only ones that can do it and they will not. Then they said if they have any leftover seed from other jobs Bill can have it and spread it in the late fall. The BLM and the Jerome Rural Fire Dist. have an agreement to help each other fight fires on the park land and surrounding areas.

Brenda suggested we work with a Hagerman Community group to get the word out about our park. Bill will contact them.

Bill Bridges ask board members for ideas on newspaper articles. We would like to have an article in each newspaper monthly to get the word out about our park.

We need some more work Parties. We need to clean up the graffiti on the rocks. Bill has the Elephant Snot. Need help with a pressure washer and water. Greg ask to do the work at the end of September when it is not so hot. Sue can get us some water.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:30 PM Greg motioned. Brenda seconded.

The next Park Board meeting will be held at the Caddy Shack restaurant on Thursday September 8, 2022 (second Thursday of the month) from 11am-1pm.

Minutes Approved:

Signature of Snake River Canyons Park Board Member

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