

Snake River Canyons Park Boards

Open Meeting Minutes

Thursday June 9, 2022

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, Sue Williams, Rod Morgan , John Weston, Jeff Peirson and Brenda Weekes

Guests included: David Freibes, Mike Tylka, Larry Hall, Aaron Utz, Melissa Berry, Terry Thompson, Charlie Howell and Gerald Martens

All board members and guest introduced themselves.

Corrections to the May minutes were made. Greg Moore motioned we accept the minutes, Sue Williams 2nd and all approved.

Mike Tylka reported on the Disc Golf course and the money in our bank account. We paid \$300 to get the grass cut at the Disc Golf course.

\$28,000 from county

\$4059 in our account.

Mike gave a complete breakdown of the money spent on the Disc Golf course. We have 2 picnic tables at \$1000 each to pay for and we are done.

We had a porta potty at the golf course. Mike says we can get for 6 months, June to November for \$230 a month X 6 equals \$1380. Greg motioned and Sue seconded all agreed.

Sue Williams reported on the RV park. We got the grant. Gerald Martens will survey and stake the RV park in July. Bill Bridges talked to two places and got no gravel. Mike Tylka will check his contacts and get a contractor and some gravel. Sue will meet with the county to check cash flow and rules for contractors. We can start speeding the RV park grant after July 15.

We talked about improving the WEB page. Some things listed on the WEB page are not in the park. We should list activities close to the park. Kayaking at Centennial, jumping off the bridge, etc.

Larry Hall talked about the broken bridge project. We have to get a Sams number to get the \$185,000 from the federal Government. Larry has had trouble getting this. Gerald Martens proposed two new ways to do the bridge that are cheaper. We voted to pursue the cheapest on at ~\$59,000. First, we need to meet with the Water board.

Larry Hall talked about the Shoshone Falls overlook. Aaron Utz was at the meeting representing Idaho Power.

Melissa Berry says Tourism has money for projects. She also informed us that Twin Falls has a new trail group to expand the trails in the Magic Valley.

We need to talk to the Dept of Lands about the cell tower they have planned in the park area.

The shooting ordinance to stop all target shooting in the park has passed the County Commissioners. It is effective May 7, 2022. Mike Tylka showed a proposed sign, all agreed this was the way we want to go. The night closed signs should say closed 10 PM to 6 AM per the County Commissioners.

Bill ask for ideas on inventory in the park. The park has: 8 trail heads, 2 arbors, on the Web page a bird list, a plant list which is incomplete. We have a disc golf course, a dirt bike trail, one ACEC, one Web page which needs help, we will put up all new signs on shooting and some on directions. We need to learn where the invasive plants are. Projects in the works, RV park, Broken bridge, Shoshone Falls overlook, maintenance projects. Paint Don Zuck arbor.

Bill Bridges brought up security in the park.

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.

Charlie Howell is working to get signs on US 93.

The park cleanup went well on May, 21, 2022.

The BLM had some news to share. The BLM is working to get around their own rules to build a shooting range north of I84. Charlie Howell and David Frieberg are going to New Mexico in July to learn how we can build a shooting range on BLM land. Fish & Game has money for a shooting range in the Magic Valley..

Meeting Adjourned at ~1:00 PM. Greg motioned and Sue 2nd.

The next Park Board meeting will be held at the Caddy Shack restaurant on Thursday July 14, 2022 (second Thursday of the month) from 11am-1pm.

Minutes Approved:

Signature of Snake River Canyons Park Board Member

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