



# TWIN FALLS PARKS AND RECREATION

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## TWIN FALLS PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

June 9<sup>th</sup> 2015  
11:30am

Twin Falls City Council Chambers  
305 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue East

### AGENDA

**11:30 a.m.** Call to Order

- 1. Welcome New Member**
- 2. Approve minutes of the May 12, 2015 meeting**
- 3. Parks & Recreation Staff Reports**
- 4. Naming Sections of the Canyon Rim Trail**
- 5. Donation Request**
- 6. Update on the Parks & Recreation Master Plan**
- 7. Other Items from Commission**

Si desea esta información en español, llame Leila Sanchez al (208)735-7287

*\*Any person(s) needing special accommodations to participate in the above noticed meeting should contact Nikki Miller at (208)736-2265 at least two working days before the meeting.*

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STAFF REPORT

**1. Welcome New Member – Staff & Commission**

At the Monday June 8<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting, the Mayor is requesting the City Council to appoint Brian Rice as our newest member of the Parks & Recreation Commission. Brian's term will also be from June 2015 to March 2018.

**2. Approve minutes of the March 10, 2015 meeting – Commission**

The Commission needs to approve or amend the proposed sets of minutes

**3. Parks & Recreation Staff Report - Staff**

Enclosed are the Parks & Recreation Staff Reports

**4. Naming Sections of the Canyon Rim Trail – Staff**

Staff is proposing to name sections of the Snake River Canyon Rim Trail System in honor of LaMar Orton and Gary Young, long time city employees.

The only trail section that has an official name, is the Centennial Trail out of Shoshone Falls to the jump site. It was named as part of the City's centennial celebration in 2004. All other sections have been quasi-named after features nearby, i.e. Perrine Bridge East and West, Pillar Falls, etc.

Under the City's Naming Policy, under criteria four and five, naming a section of a trail after a long time city employee with outstanding public service is an acceptable request.

LaMar Orton was hired by the City in 1974, he served as Planning & Zoning Director for over 25 years and retired from the City in 2005. One of his passions was the trails along and in the canyons. With his guidance and perseverance, he pushed through changes in the City Code that required developers to construct trails along the canyon rims once the development occurs. LaMar was involved in the following development of trails: Breckenridge Estates, Washington St./Perrine Coulee, Perrine Bridge East, Perrine Bridge West, Centennial Trail, Breckenridge, and the Blass section all along the Snake River Canyon Trail System. LaMar was instrumental in the purchase of the Rock Creek property the City owns from the Old Towne Bridge to Day Dream Ranch area and the development of that trail section.

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Gary Young was hired by the City in 1975, served as City Engineer for 30 years as he retired in 2005. Gary work behind the scenes working with developers and contractors in the construction of trails in their development. He designed most of the trails to make them as safe as possible. Gary was involved in the following development of trails: Breckenridge Estates, Washington St./Perrine Coulee, Perrine Bridge East, Perrine Bridge West, Centennial Trail, Breckenridge, and the Blass section all along the Snake River Canyon Trail System.

Without the effort of these two men, our trail system would not be where it is today.

Staff is proposing to name the Washington St./Perrine Coulee trail as the LaMar Orton trail section, and to name the Perrine Bridge East and West trails at the Gary Young trail section. Attached is a map of the Canyon Rim Trail System.

## 5. Donation Request – Staff

Staff has received a request for an enhanced inscription on a plaque for three donated benches along the Centennial trail section dedicated to the Hiskey and Langdon families. The proposed benches location is about 200' past the first switchback on the Centennial trail section. The request form is attached. A copy of the Donation Policy is also attached. The requested text is: "Dedication to our beloved parents, Peter and Valna Hiskey and LL Bert and Marian Langdon with gratitude for their incalculable contribution to our lives, families and descendants. Jim and Lorraine Langdon Hiskey, June 2015.

The section in the Donation Policy that deals with inscriptions states:

Inscription –The text of memorials to individuals may include the name of the person being dedicated to, honored, or memorialized, the dates of the birth and death of that person or the date of the dedication or when honored. Any additional text and any inscription for other donations must be directly related to the history of the community, and may identify groups or persons with longstanding ties to the community.

The Commission will need to determine if the additional text meets the conditions stated above. The Commission's recommendation will be forwarded to the City Council concerning their request for additional inscription.

Jim and Lorraine Hiskey are requesting this donation request.

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## **6. Update on Parks & Recreation Master Plan – Staff**

The meeting has not been set at this time when JUB Engineers will present a draft copy of the master plan to the Parks & Recreation Commission. Staff is waiting on the announcement of Dennis Bowyer's replacement as the new Parks & Recreation Director. Staff feels it is important to have the new person on board for the meeting.

Staff might have a better idea when the date for the meeting by the time of our Commission meeting.

## **7. Other Items from Commission**

Other items that the Commission may have questions about or issues the Commission wants to discuss.

### **Attachments:**

1. May Meeting Minutes
2. Staff Reports
3. Naming Policy
4. Map of Canyon Rim Trails
5. Donation Request Form
6. Donation Policy



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TONY BRAND

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CARL LEGG  
JOEY MARTIN  
TOM REYNOLDS

## EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

TRAVIS ROTHWEILER  
SHAWN BARIGAR  
DENNIS BOWYER  
MITCH HUMBLE

CITY MANAGER  
COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE  
PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

## TWIN FALLS CITY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

May 12, 2015 \* \* \* \* \* 11:30 am \* \* \* \* \* City of Twin Falls Council Chambers

**Members Present:** Tennille Adams, Tony Brand, Marc Lambert, Carl Legg, Joey Martin, Tom Reynolds and Richard Birrell

**Members Absent:** Liyah Babayan

**Council Present:** Shawn Barigar

**Council Absent:** N/A

**Staff Present:** Dennis Bowyer, Stacy McClintock, Nikki Miller and Mitch Humble

**Staff Absent:** N/A

**Guests:** N/A

## NOTES

Chairman Tennille Adams called meeting to order at 11:35 am. There was a quorum.

**Item #1** Approve minutes of the April 21, 2015 meeting.  
Richard Birrell motioned to approve meeting minutes and Joey Martin seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**Item #2** Parks & Recreation Staff Reports

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Stacy reviewed the recreation staff report with the Commission. We have 950 participants for the baseball/softball activity. Games start June 8 and runs through July 11, 2015. Men's softball league start today and coed softball league started May 11, 2015. There are many adult softball tournaments going on this summer as indicated on the staff report.

The Spring/Summer 2015 Activity Guide is out and on-line and has been distributed throughout the valley.

Boat Demo Day will be on May 16<sup>th</sup> and it is sponsored by River and Adventure Toys. The event will be held at Dierkes Lake.

Idaho Power will be out July or August to finish drilling the holes and Lane Taylor Fencing will be installing the netting at the Oregon Trail Youth Complex

Staff is working on bids for the re-paving the CSI tennis courts.

We are currently in late registration for youth baseball/softball. There will be a \$10 late fee added to the account.

Tom Reynolds asked if it is possible to reserve the ball fields for practicing. Stacy indicated that you can reserve a field but there is a cost to reserve which is for field prep or the lights. We just don't have enough facilities. Dennis went on to say that adults don't want to practice out at Oregon Trail because of the rules and regulations regarding smoking and drinking. Staff will research the possibilities of reserving field for practice.

Dennis wanted the Commission to know that we entered into a partnership with CSI on the tennis courts on their campus in the 90's and any maintenance is done by us and we split the cost with the college.

Dennis reviewed the Parks staff report with the Commission. Parks are open as well as the restrooms. All the irrigation is up and running. We are still in process of getting the 5000 sq. ft. storage building going. There is some preliminary work being done on the splash pad out at the First Federal playground. It may be up and running the end of June. We have a new opening for a park operator due to the loss of an employee. Regular maintenance is ongoing.

**Item #3 Update on the Parks & Recreation Master Plan**

Between work and vacation schedules the week that JUB can be here is the week of June 22, 2015. Dennis has asked for a draft of the Master Plan for review and he is hoping to have the new director present as well. The two days that are potential days for a special commission meeting for the presentation are Monday, June 22 or Wednesday, June 24, 2015.

**Item #4 Sunway Soccer Complex Rules & Regulations**

The City leases this land from the Twin Falls School District and their regulations stated there would be no drinking of alcohol or smoking on the complex. Now that the trade has taken place the question is do we keep the current regulations or change them? The City had the similar situation with the Oregon Trail Youth Complex. It was being leased from the LDS Church and they had the no smoking or drinking regulations. When the City purchased that property we kept to the same regulations since it was a youth only complex. Staff is recommending that the Sunway Soccer complex also continue with the same regulations as it is mostly a youth complex. Tennille asked that staff follow up in regards to vaping or e-cigarettes to see if they should be banned as well. Tom asked what kind of damage a cigarette would have on the artificial turf at the new First Federal Park. Dennis stated that it turf probably would not catch on fire however it

would melt. Joey Martin asked about the possibility of having a designated smoking area. Dennis said that is possible if that is the direction the Commission would like to go. Joey also asked about the enforcement at the park. The department does not patrol the park but there could be some more signage placed at the park. Tony Brand if this subject is being addressed in the master plan and if not should it be? Dennis did not think it was brought up. He indicated that the master plan is a guideline and things do come up after the master plan has been completed. Dennis did not hear anything from the public in regards to the rules and regulations. Without hearing about it from the general public Dennis indicated that it is too late in the process to address it. More research by staff will be done in regards to e-cigs, vaping and a designated area for smoking.

#### **Item #5**

##### **Parks Dedication Ordinance Review**

Dennis and Mitch discussed waiting for the Master Plan presentation to see if the results would have any impacts on the discussion of the parks dedication ordinance. Mitch talked about what are the needs for parks, do we need a park with every new development when there may already be a big park close by or do we need to look at in fill for parks. For every 20 acres of parkland is established, we have to add an employee to maintain the acreage. Tennille called for questions and there were none. Tennille agreed to put this item on hold until after the master plan presentation.

#### **Item #6**

##### **City Bicycle Code Review**

Dennis reviewed the staff report with the Commissioners. The City is trying to make our community more bike friendly. In so doing there was an open house/forum to get feedback from the public. Based on that input staff is proposing the following:

1. Bike Lane – striped, on-street lanes specially marked as bicycle lanes. There are three existing bike lanes in the community. 1) East side of town, from the City/YMCA pool along Falls Avenue to the top of the grade at Shoshone Falls, 2) West side of town, from North College Road West, south on Sparks to Blake St. N. east on Shoup Avenue West to Harrison St. then north on Harrison to Falls Avenue. There is also a section of this lane that is along Caswell Avenue in front of I.B Perrine Elementary school and Robert Stuart middle school, and 3) South side of town, from the south water tanks, north on Washington St. South to Park Avenue, then west on Park Avenue to Oregon Trail Elementary School, and including a short section on Lois Avenue along the Oregon Trail Youth Complex.

2. Shared Use Path – designated pathways that can be separate from streets, or on the sidewalks of streets. The canyon rim trail system is designated at a shared use path, along with the pathway on Washington St. N. from Falls Avenue to Pole Line Road and the sidewalk along Pole Line Road.

3. Shared Lane Marked – designated streets that are marked with “sharrows” to inform all motorized and non-motorized vehicles that these designated streets are to be shared. Roads designated with sharrows are usually low volume, low speed roads. A photo is attached to show what a sharrow looks like.

On Thursday October 9th, the City hosted another bicycle open house to present this proposed bicycle facilities map. There were approximately 35-40 community members in attendance. There were five large maps showing the draft bicycle facilities map along with photos of the existing bicycle lanes and the shared use paths the community currently has in place, what sharrows would look like on the proposed shared lane marked roads, and what the directional signs would look like. Staff reviewed how this draft map was developed, explained the three types of bicycle facilities and then invited the audience to review the maps up-close. Staff then

opened the rest of the evening to comments and questions. Generally, the comments were very supported of the City's proposed plan. There were several comments that staff agreed that should be reviewed and researched, there were:

1. Education for both motorists and bicyclists
2. Review existing city codes
3. Coordinate with Twin Falls Highway Districts for connections to other communities
4. Move bike lane from Shoup Avenue to Heyburn Avenue
5. Protection for bicyclists – i.e. tubular markers or delineators on bike lane lines
6. Park and Bike areas
7. Ensure sufficient maintenance, sweeping of bicycle facilities regularly
8. Preference of scenic routes over straight routes
9. Controlled intersections at high traffic streets for bicyclists
10. Instead of standardize green guide signs; make them stand out with a unique color

Staff has been working with several members of the biking community to set up education sessions for new bicyclists. These meetings are set for Tuesday June 9th at O'Leary Middle School, Thursday June 11th at Robert Stuart Middle School, Thursday July 16th and Thursday August 13th at the College of Southern Idaho. All these classes will be held from 6-8pm.

Also staff held a meeting with several more members of the biking community to discuss potential code changes to the City's code on bicycling. All of the proposed changes that were discussed followed the State of Idaho's Code concerning bicycling. Following the advice from the City's Attorney, it was recommended to adopt the State's Code on bicycling and eliminate the City's Section 9, Chapter 11 section on rules on bicycling.

Dennis will be making a presentation to the Traffic Safety Commission and talk about adopting the State Code on bicycling.

The first phase of this project was to connect the bike paths and we don't know what phase II is going to look like.

Joey Martin asked about signage and doing a different color that is a different color that will stand out. We are looking at the green color as it is a standard way finding sign. Tennille asked about the group of people that are petition for a bike path on North College Rd. heading out to Xavier School. Dennis indicated that a gentleman did make a presentation to City Council. That is in the future plans. Staff felt bike lanes should not be put out there until we have full lanes. Council did ask engineering and staff to do a report to be due in 90 days to see what can be done to accommodate the citizens in that area. Joey asked Mitch about connecting North College and Cheney and coming out on Washington? Mitch indicated that that is still in the works. Marc Lambert asked about the bicycle classes and would someone be going out to the refugee center and doing classes there? Dennis indicated that work is still being done on coordinating with the refugee center in getting that altogether. Joey said he has some has spoken with the refugee director and the director indicated that he does hand out some guidelines but it doesn't appear that it is being understood and trying to get them to come to classes might be difficult. If we were to go to them and work around when they are taking language classes that might help. Tennille also indicated that perhaps we should get to the schools as well. Dennis indicated that the Police Department does do bicycle rodeo's and will continue to do so. Shawn Barigar attended a workshop in Boise earlier this year and they were talking about general transportation mobility. One of the suggestions from that planning team was once the sharrows and paths are set to host rides to help people understand how to use the sharrows and transition on to trails.

The bike shops would be willing to help out with getting these rides going. The rides get people out and it helps with the motorists as well.

Dennis suggested that the Commission making a recommendation to support the move to adopting the State Code on bicycling. Tennille wanted to see the codes side by side to see the differences before going to Council. Discussion followed. Joey Martin motioned to drop the City Bicycle Code and go with the State Code. Tom Reynolds seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**Item #7 Other Items from Commission**

WS & V Parks in Lieu of request was approved by the City Council with a 30% reduction in the fees. That fee will go to the Sunway Soccer Complex. Also the Council said the Commission should look at each non-profit developer separately as they come forward and other items that the Commission may have questions about or issues the Commission wants to discuss.

Dennis said that interviews for the Commission opening is tomorrow and if Council approves that person will be on board by the next meeting.

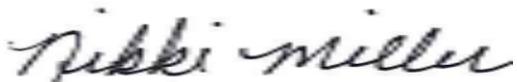
Dennis also said that Melinda Anderson has been working on a sign for the Dennis Bowyer Pocket Park. Dennis showed examples of the proposed sign.

Joey Martin wanted to make sure that at this time alcohol and smoking is still prohibited at Sunway Soccer Complex. Dennis said yes.

Tony Brand indicated that changeover on this Commission and some feedback he has gotten he wanted to ask that if we could, in one of our meetings we could have someone go over the Robert's Rules as it applies to this Commission. Mitch indicated that according to the City Attorney we have not adopted Robert Rules. Mitch said we could have the attorney and/or the Mayor come speak on how the meetings should be run.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 pm. Next meeting is June 9, 2015 at 11:30 am, located at the City Council Chambers at 305 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Twin Falls, Idaho.

Nikki Miller

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nikki Miller".

**RECREATION REPORT**  
**Brandy Mason, Recreation Coordinator**  
**June 2015**

**Baseball & Softball:**

The season will start on Monday June 8<sup>th</sup>, and we have hired and trained approximately 40 seasonal staff to do the field preparation, umpiring, tennis court maintenance and batting cage operation. In addition to our recreation leagues, we are also prepping fields for Men's and Co-ed Softball, Church league and a few private rentals. We ended up with 1106 participants compared to 1126 last year in youth softball/baseball.

During the month of June we will be hosting our biggest tournament of the summer. On June 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> the Twin Falls Invitational Girls Fast-Pitch Tournament which has roughly 54 teams in town and will be using Sawtooth, Harmon, Frontier and OTYC. This tournament will provide additional revenue for the various businesses in the community.

The Men's and Coed softball league started the week of May 11<sup>th</sup> and so far is running smoothly. This year we have five separate divisions in the coed league compared to four last year, which has allowed us to provide leagues from the ultra-competitive to the purely recreational leagues that accommodate all skill levels. They will play through the month of June and July with both Coed and Men's tournaments being held late July to the middle of August.

**Recreation Report**  
**Stacy McClintock Recreation Supervisor**  
**June 2015**

**Shotokan Karate.** This oldest Karate organization in America has come to Twin Falls. Let Jesse Clark teach you this ancient art of courtesy, form, and mental strength! \$15 per month on Tuesday and Wednesday nights

**Junior Disc Golf** will start on Wednesday July 1<sup>st</sup> and continue to run Mondays and Wednesdays ending July 29<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$20 per person and it is from 7-8pm.

**Youth Tennis Lessons** start June 10<sup>th</sup> and the second session will start July 29<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$35 per person

**Storytime Pottery** is a unique story time and pottery painting event designed for children ages 2-7. Read stories together have a snack and complete a painting project that relates to the story. The cost is \$12 per person with a \$2 sibling discount.

**“Movies in the Park”** starts Friday June 26<sup>th</sup>. We will be showing *Ghosbusters* at 9:30pm at the City Bandshell. So bring your popcorn and enjoy a free movie under the stars!

**Concerts in City Park** started, Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. Come out and enjoy the delightful sound of the Twin Falls Band.

Shirts and hats have been ordered for the City of Twin Falls youth baseball/softball program. Thank you Dr. Ward for sponsoring shirts this year.

**Parks Department Report**  
**Parks Coordinators**  
**Kevin Skelton & Todd Andersen**  
**June 2015**

The past month the Parks Department has been working on the following projects and regular maintenance:

- Preliminary work on the CI project to get a parking garage built continues
- Auger Falls vaulted restroom has been ordered
- Preconstruction work on the new splash pad continues
- Reconfigure irrigation system around new all-inclusive playground is complete
- General irrigations repairs and adjustments.
- The Pool dome was removed on Wednesday May 27<sup>th</sup>.



## City of Twin Falls Naming Policy

### Public Buildings, Streets, Public Parks, & Park and Recreation Facilities

The City of Twin Falls believes that the designation of names for public buildings, streets, public parks, and park and recreation facilities is in the public interest and should promote & celebrate the community's identity, diversity and pride.

The City Council shall designate the names of public buildings, streets, public parks, and parks and recreation facilities, after receiving a recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Commission which recommendation shall be based on public input and compliance to the standards contained herein.

The selection of names for buildings, streets, parks, and park and recreation facilities shall be based upon the following criteria:

1. Neighborhood or geographical identification (e.g. Harrison and Morning Sun Parks, Albion, Buhl, etc. street names)
2. Natural or geological features (e.g. Shoshone Falls and Dierkes Lake)
3. Local or national historical or cultural significance (e.g. Oregon Trail Youth Complex and Frontier Field)
4. A historical figure, individual, family, or organization that has made a significant land, monetary, or service contribution to the acquisition of the property, park system, or the community in general (e.g. Cascade Park, Clyde Thomsen Park, Drury Park, and Harry Barry Park)
  - Building, parks, and facilities shall not ordinarily be named for living persons, except in the event that an individual, family or organization has made a significant and tangible contribution or donations to, or has performed extraordinary or outstanding public service for the community and/or parks and recreation system, or in cases where such name is stipulated as a condition of the donation or acquisition.

- In cases where the person is living, or the event to be commemorated took place within the last year, there shall be a lapse of at least three months between the receipt of the name proposal and the final recommendation for its adoption.
  - In cases where the person is deceased, the person shall have been deceased for a minimum of six months, and there shall be a lapse of at least three months between the receipt of the name proposal and the final recommendation for its adoption.
  - In cases of outstanding public service; buildings, streets, parks or facilities may be named for a person, provided at least six or more months have lapsed between the service provided and the consideration for naming.
5. In general, portions of a facility typically do not have a name other than that of the entire facility. However, a park's interior features, rooms in a building, sub-elements and/or facilities may have names other than that of the entire park (e.g. Carter Gibb Field at Frontier Field). In naming minor facilities, rooms, and sub-elements or parks, these names are subject to the criteria designated herein.

Elected/appointed City of Twin Falls officials and currently employed staff shall not be eligible for consideration until they are no longer in office or have been retired from city service for at least six months.

6. A name, once adopted, should be bestowed with the intention that it will be permanent, and changes should be strongly resisted.

### **Procedure**

1. A request for naming of a public building, street, public park, or park and recreation facility shall be submitted in writing to the Parks and Recreation Department.
2. Those submitting a naming request should show how the proposed name is consistent with the criteria in this policy. When naming after a person or persons, the application will describe that person's local or national historical or cultural significance. Written documentation of approval by next of kin to be honored (if available) is required as part of the proposal. City staff will review the proposal for adherence to the stated criteria and authentication of statements relative to contributions in the case of an individual before forwarding to the Parks & Recreation commission. If the request is incomplete, staff will contact the applicant, in writing, and provide them with the opportunity to resubmit a revised request.
3. Upon completion of staff review, the request will be scheduled for consideration by the Parks and Recreation Commission. The request will be considered at a public meeting to provide the opportunity for public input on the proposed naming.
4. The Parks and Recreation Commission shall forward their recommendation to the City Council for final decision.

5. If a contest or competition is to be held to determine the name of a building, street, park, or park and recreation facility, the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Parks & Recreation Director or appropriate staff shall establish guidelines and rules for the contest.
6. The City Council and/or the Parks and Recreation Commission can initiate the naming process whenever deemed necessary and/or in the best interest of the City.
7. In the absence of any naming requests, the Parks and Recreation Commission shall adhere to criteria stated in this policy in recommendation of a name.

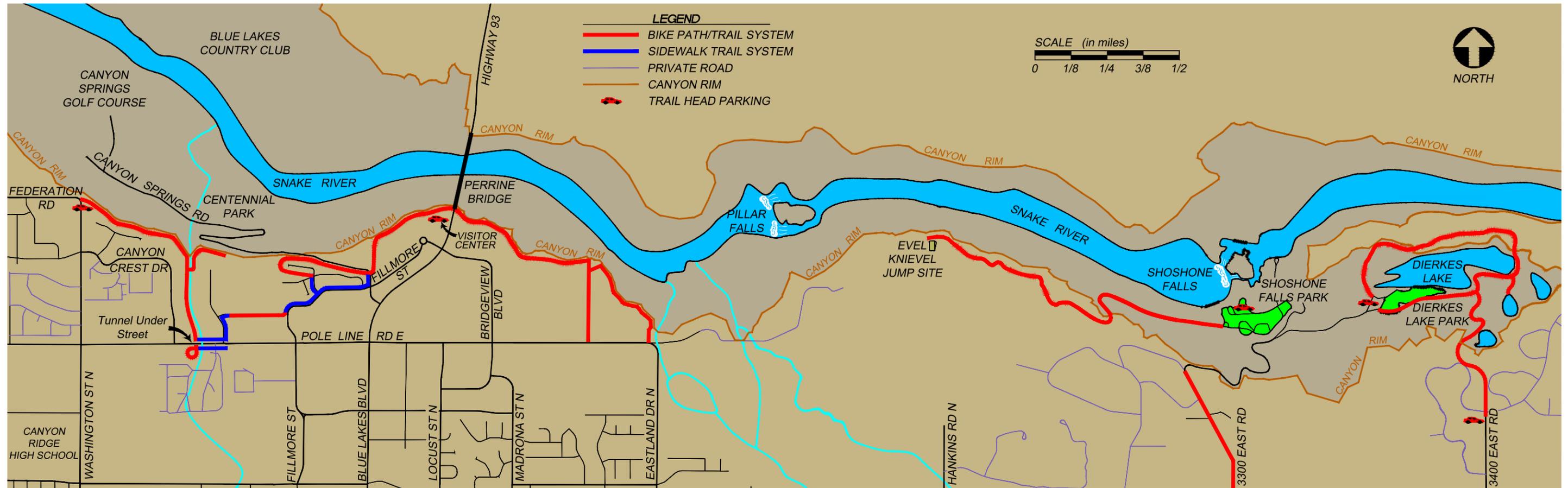
### **Renaming of Existing Public Buildings, Public Park, and Park and Recreation Facilities**

Renaming of public buildings, streets, public parks, and parks and recreation facilities carries with it a much greater burden of process compared to initial naming. Tradition and continuity of name and community identification are important community values. Each application must meet the criteria in this policy, but meeting all criteria does not ensure renaming. The process for renaming a facility is the same procedure to name a public building, street, public park, or park and recreation facility.

### **General Naming Regulations**

1. Land and/or improvements dedicated to the City as part of a subdivision's development requirements shall not be considered a significant contribution as it relates to this naming policy.
2. This naming policy shall not apply to new streets being proposed and/or constructed as part of a subdivision by a developer.
3. Nothing contained in this policy shall prevent the City from entering into a contractual agreement regarding the naming and sponsorship of a facility. A naming and sponsorship contract shall be subject to the process described in this policy. A facility sponsorship name shall not be considered permanent, but will expire with the expiration of the contract.
4. In the renaming of a street, the applicant shall notify all property owners and residents on that street of a public hearing in front of the City Council.
5. The regulations contained in this policy may be waived in certain circumstances at the discretion of the City Council.

Adopted April 23, 2012





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## DONATION REQUEST FORM

Date: 5/26/15

Requested by: JIM HISILEY

Address: 209 MT OAK PLACE

Street Address

ANNAPOLIS Md

City

State

21409

Zip Code

Home Phone: 410-757-6401

(Area Code)

Cell

Work Phone:

443-995-6257

(Area Code)

Donation Requested: 3 benches

(Tree, bench, drinking fountain, picnic tables, playground equipment, picnic shelters, etc.)

Location Requested: along path near Shoshone Falls

(Dennis Bowyer and I agreed on exact spot)

Alternative Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Plaque Inscription: See Attached.

If you are requesting additional text, please describe how the group or person has longstanding ties to the community or is directly related to the history of the community.

See Attached

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**DEDICATION**

**TO OUR BELOVED PARENTS**

**PETER AND VALNA HISKEY AND LL "BERT" AND MARIAN LANGDON**

**WITH GRATITUDE FOR THEIR INCALCUIABLE CONTRIBUTION TO**

**OUR LIVES, FAMILIES AND DESCENDANTS**

**JIM AND LORRAINE LANGDON HISKEY  
JUNE 2015**

**Size: 16 x 8"**

**Font: Franklin Gothic Medium**



Peter Marion Hiskey (1901 – 1986) and Valna Hickman Hiskey (1911 – 1996)

In 1938, near the end of the United States Great Depression a golf course was built along the Snake River in Burley, Idaho. This project was part of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's Work Public Administrations strategy to give jobs to unemployed Americans.

**Peter Marion (Pete) Hiskey** signed up. After the course was completed that year he was asked to stay on as a caretaker. Two years later Pete was asked to become the Superintendent of the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

From 1940 to 1950, Pete and Valna, their three boys and daughter lived in a two story stone house, more of a shell, on what is now the tee box of the fifth hole of the TF Municipal Golf Course. Pete, a man of action, quickly got electricity and running water in the house.

The first hole was so close to the house that Pete could step out his front door, walk 15 paces and be on what was then the first hole. The three boys would, at times, jump out the back window onto the putting green.

It was not long before Pete became an authority on golf course turfs, fairway upkeep and beautification. And the "Muni" a nickname for the T. F. Municipal Golf Course had gained a reputation as one of the best courses in Idaho. Pete's reputation grew steadily and caught the attention of the City Manager and the TF leaders who asked him to become the Superintendent of all Parks and Recreation, as well as TF golf course. He held the position until 1950.

While Peter cared for the parks and golf course Valna, his attractive wife cared for the Hiskey household. They were married fifty-four years.

His son Peter Marion II, deceased, went on to win the Idaho State Amateur twice, second son Jimmy won the State Amateur three times, and son Bryant "Babe" also won it three times as well as becoming a PGA Tour winner.

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Lambert Lucius “Bert” Langdon (1882–1946) and Marian Orena Smith Langdon (1911–1996)

**L. L. “Bert” Langdon** was born in Tangent, Oregon, moved to Idaho in 1922. He married Myrtle Munn. The couple had four children, one dying in infancy. He was widely known and respected as a hide broker based in Twin Falls.

While Myrtle was dying of cancer, Marian Orena Smith came to help the family as caregiver, later marrying Bert at age 17. They had five children during and following the Depression era. Bert was an actor and loved community theatre. He also loved fly fishing, often taking his large family overnight camping along the Little Wood River near Ketchum.

Before his untimely death at age 64 he had developed a successful business known as “L. L. Langdon Wool, Furs, Hides, Pelts, New and Used, as well as Scrap Iron and Metals.” The iron was a key ingredient in forging steel in the World War II effort.

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**Marian Smith Langdon** (1911- 1996) was born in Jamestown, New York. She immigrated with her family to Bellevue, Idaho, at age four. When Marian was 15 she moved to Twin Falls to care-give for “Bert” Langdon’s wife, Myrtle, who was dying of cancer. Their three children, ages 2, 9 and 13 needed care as well.

After Myrtle’s death, Bert and Marian entered into a “marriage of convenience,” which over the years, developed into one of love and mutual respect. Five more children... three girls, two boys were born.

When Bert died, Marian was 33 years old. Fortunately she had worked alongside him and understood the business. But still it was a daunting task to face the office door each day. It was her strong faith and personal courage that set her on the path to give

her children the proverbial “everything she never had.” And that she did, even getting four of their children through college. As a result, this extraordinary mother of eight, lady welder/businesswoman, community organizer, church woman, Eastern Star leader, PTA mother, President of Business and Professional Women, became the 1952 Idaho State Mother of the Year, as well as Runner-Up to the American Mother of the Year for the United States by the time she was 41 years old. Each of her eight children went on to have productive careers. When she died at age 85 she had twenty-two grandchildren and numerous great and great-great grandchildren who rose up to “Call Her Blessed.” A phrase used by King Solomon to describe an extraordinary woman.



# TWIN FALLS PARKS AND RECREATION

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## DONATION POLICY

Since the founding of our city, citizens of Twin Falls have enjoyed parks and recreation facilities that have been generously supplemented with the gifts of goods and services by individuals, groups, and organizations.

### PURPOSE

To clarify existing policy and encourage the continued donation by individuals, groups, and organizations of amenities which enhance the recreational value of Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department, managed lands and facilities, including memorials.

### TYPES OF DONATIONS

Park Equipment – this type consists of the purchase and installation of equipment typical to parks and recreation facilities such as benches, drinking fountains, permanent picnic tables, and playground equipment, as may be consistent with the Master Plan for the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Department or approved by the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Department or the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Commission.

Trees and Landscaping – this type consists of the purchase and installation of a tree or landscaping feature. Along with the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Department the Twin Falls Tree Commission will coordinate the location, species, and the installation of trees. Trees shall be at least a 2” caliper in diameter, and must be of a variety approved in the Twin Falls Tree Selection Guide book or approved by the Twin Falls Tree Commission.

Major Park Amenities – this type consists of the purchase and installation of a facility which fulfills an identified public recreation need, such as buildings, playgrounds, picnic shelters, canyon rim overlooks, park land donations and/or development, as identified by the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Department or in the Master Plan for the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Department or as approved by the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Commission or City Council.

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Donations may dedicate to, honor, or memorialize, a person; or directly relate to the history of the community; or may be donated by groups with longstanding ties to the community, and shall be of any type (types of donations - reference to page 1), so long as its placement enhances the recreational value of its setting, considering factors including, but not limited to, safety and aesthetics.

Identification – Donations are typically identified by a plaque of durable material such as metal plate or stone, of modest size and set in concrete or fixed to a permanent object. The plaque may be placed at the base of, or adjacent to the memorial. Approved plaques are purchased and ordered by the donor and the installation is coordinated with the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Department. In the case of trees, the plaque shall be not less than 8" by 16" and flush mounted in the ground. Design and placement of plaques must be approved by the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Department. Damaged plaques are replaced at no additional charge to the donor.

Inscription –The text of memorials to individuals may include the name of the person being dedicated to, honored, or memorialized, the dates of the birth and death of that person or the date of the dedication or when honored. Any additional text and any inscription for other donations must be directly related to the history of the community, and may identify groups or persons with longstanding ties to the community.

Registry – All approved donation applications will be registered in the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation office and include a description of the donation, date of installation, name and address of donor, location, and inscription.

## LOCATION AND RELOCATION

The placement of donated park amenities, such as the spacing of benches, fountains, and trees, shall be controlled by the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Department, who shall insure that a new installation does not materially detract from or conflict with the significance, quiet, or recreational value of existing facilities nor interfere with a primary public purpose or pose a potential public safety or security risk. New auxiliary park features, such as trash receptacles and park signs will not be placed in a location or manner that will offend or violate respect for an existing memorial or the donor.

The Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Department considers the placement of donated amenities, especially memorials, to be permanent. However, should future circumstances require relocation of a memorial; the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Department shall endeavor to locate the memorial donor or representative to arrange a satisfactory alternate location. The expense of relocation shall be borne by the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Department.

In all cases, the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Department will have the final decision on location.

## MAINTENANCE AND OWNERSHIP

Upon installation, the City of Twin Falls shall own the amenity donated.

The Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Department shall assume responsibility for normal maintenance of such amenities. Damaged or vandalized memorials will be repaired or replaced by the Twin Falls Parks & Recreation Department at the expense of the City. Plant material will be replaced as part of the department's replacement program and in consideration of the annual planting season.

Approved by City Council 7-20-09



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## DONATION REQUEST FORM

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_

City

State

Zip Code

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

(Area Code)

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

(Area Code)

Donation Requested: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Tree, bench, drinking fountain, picnic tables, playground equipment, picnic shelters, etc.)

Location Requested: \_\_\_\_\_

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Alternative Location: \_\_\_\_\_

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Plaque Inscription: \_\_\_\_\_

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If you are requesting additional text, please describe how the group or person has longstanding ties to the community or is directly related to the history of the community.

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*Send this form to Twin Falls Parks & Recreation, P.O. Box 1907, Twin Falls, ID 83303.  
For further information, please contact the Parks & Recreation office at (208) 736-2265.*

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Donation Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Site: \_\_\_\_\_ Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_