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**AGENDA**

Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission  
 Tuesday, April 19, 2016, 11:30 am- City Council Chambers  
 305 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave E – Twin Falls, Idaho

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM CONSIDERATION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA		
AGENDA ITEMS	<u>Purpose:</u>	<u>By:</u>
I. <b><u>CONSENT CALENDAR:</u></b> Request to approve meetings minutes of March 8, 2016	Action	Nikki Miller
II. <b><u>ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:</u></b>  1. Eagle Scout Presentation of Evel Knievel Sign project  2. Officer Election  3. Parks and Recreation Updates  4. Sun Shelter at City Park  5. Dogs off leash at Auger Falls and/or Dierkes Lake Trail  6. Other Items from the Commission	Approval  Action  Presentation  Discussion  Discussion  Commission	Wendy Davis/ Reagan Larsen  Marc Lambert  Stacy McClintock/ Wendy Davis  Wendy Davis  Wendy Davis
III. <b><u>ATTACHMENTS:</u></b>  1. March 8, 2016 Meeting Minutes  2. Staff Report Evel Knievel Sign project  3. Parks and Recreation Updates  4. Staff Report Sun Shelter at City Park  5. Staff Report Dogs off leash at Auger Falls and/or Dierkes Lake Trail		
V. <b><u>ADJOURNMENT:</u></b> Next meeting Tuesday, May 10, 2016, 11:30am City Council Chambers, 305 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ave E.		

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**Tuesday, April 19, 2016 Parks and Recreation Commission**

**To:** Parks and Recreation Commission

**From:** Wendy Davis, Parks and Recreation Director

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**Request:**

Consider an Eagle Scout project proposal to place an interpretive sign at the Evel Knievel jump site commemorating the historic jump.

**Time Estimate:**

Presentation will take approximately 15 minutes. Eagle Scout candidate Reagan Larsen will present his project. Following the presentation, there will be time for questions and answers.

**Background:**

Reagan Larsen approached the Parks and Recreation Department with a proposal to create a sign to be placed at the Evel Knievel jump site giving information about Evel Knievel and the jump. He has provided a draft of the sign, and before it is approved to be installed, the Parks and Recreation Commission will have an opportunity to review the sign and the proposed location.

Currently, the jump site area is un-developed. There is a proposed access road/trail and a one acre parking lot on the east side of the mound to be completed at a future date. Long term plans include a three acre park on the west side of the mound as well. Development at this point includes the completion of the trail to the end of the property on the north side of the mound, and the installation of a three rail fence along the east side of the City's property.

**Approval Process:**

The Parks and Recreation Commission will need to approve this request before the sign can be installed.

**Budget Impact:**

Scout's project includes production and installation of the sign.

**Regulatory Impact:**

Approval of this request will allow the applicant to produce and install the sign.

**Conclusion:**

Staff supports this request.

# Evel

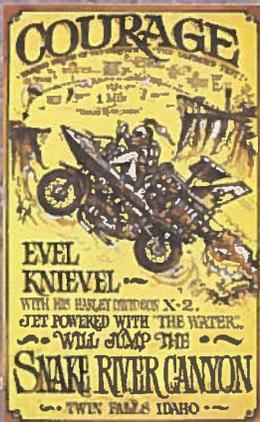
Evel Knievel is one of the world's most famous daredevils of his time. Robert Craig "Evel" Knievel loved to do the impossible, from jumping over cars on his motorcycle to jumping over rattlesnakes, the man defied death in all of his stunts. After seeing motorcycle stunts on TV, he knew he had to do it himself.

Knievel set up his own daredevil show to help cover some of his family's financial needs. The small crowd loved the show, and fame came quickly. He soon became an American icon who continuously amazed all of his onlookers. With over 70 different stunts and a world record number of broken bones, he lived through all of his stunts. He would soon come to do arguably the greatest stunt of all...



# Knievel

On September 8, 1974 at 3:34pm Evel Knievel shot over the Snake River Canyon in his X-2 Skycycle at around 300 miles an hour as onlookers watched in anticipation. A helicopter was used to transport Knievel to his seat into his skycycle. Thousands of onlookers gazed in awe, and millions more on television watched to see if even Evel had a breaking point. The National Anthem was sung, speeches were given and the countdown began. Suddenly, in a puff of smoke, the X-2 Skycycle took off! Seconds later, about halfway across the canyon, Knievel's parachute deployed far too early. Coming to a sudden stop, Evel blew back to the opposite side of the canyon. The attempt had failed. It was not the desired result, but it will forever be cemented in the "Evel" legend, and a part of Twin Falls history.



This is the location Evel Knievel built the ramp used in one of his most famous stunts as a daredevil in an attempt to make it across the Snake River Canyon. Both the ramp and the X-2 Skycycle were designed by engineer Bob Troux. Remains of the ramp are still visible where the giant 180 foot ramp once stood; the concrete blocks about 3/4 of the way up the dirt mound held the structure. The X-2 Skycycle was meant to be a high powered motorcycle but ended up being a rocket due to design technicalities. Without the aerodynamic body shape of the X-2 Skycycle, Troux didn't believe there would be any chance of making it across the 1600 foot span. Knievel invested nearly 1 million dollars and leased 300 acres for \$35,000 dollars for the crowd and legal permits.





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Evel Knievel Snake River Canyon Jump Site



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**Recreation Coordinator Update**  
**Brandy Mason**  
**2016**

**Spring Soccer:** We have completed registration and games will start on Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup>. The season will run through April 28<sup>th</sup> and all games will be played at the Sunway Soccer Complex. We had more participants enroll this year which was up 183 participants from last year's 872. The table below compares the number of participants in each grade from 2014 to 2016.

Grade	2014	Grade	2015	2016
K Boys	95	K Boys	91	115
1 <sup>st</sup> Boys	68	1 <sup>st</sup> Boys	93	101
2 <sup>nd</sup> Boys	60	2 <sup>nd</sup> Boys	73	90
3 <sup>rd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> Boys	94	3 <sup>rd</sup> Boys	76	72
5 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Boys	55	4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Boys	91	118
K Girls	60	6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Boys	30	75
1 <sup>st</sup> Girls	67	K Girls	81	75
2 <sup>nd</sup> Girls	52	1 <sup>st</sup> Girls	72	90
3 <sup>rd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> Girls	110	2 <sup>nd</sup> Girls	52	83
5 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Girls	77	3 <sup>rd</sup> Girls	55	52
<b>Total:</b>	<b>738</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Girls	120	97
		6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Girls	38	87
		<b>Total:</b>	<b>872</b>	1055

**Baseball/Softball:** Regular registration began Monday April 4<sup>th</sup> and will end Monday April 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Men's & Coed Softball:** Rosters were due on Friday April 8<sup>th</sup>. The men's league will consist of 16 games with a double elimination tournament to follow and the coed will consist of 10 games with a double elimination tournament. The cost is \$810 for men's and \$650 for coed, which includes game balls and scorekeepers. Games will start the week of Monday May 9<sup>th</sup> and run through the last week of July for men's to the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week of August for Coed.

**Adult Basketball:** Concluded with the last tournament game on Monday April 11<sup>th</sup>. These games went fairly smoothly with the only issues being player/official complaints.

**Recreation Supervisor Update**  
**Stacy McClintock**

Spring/Summer Recreation Guide is currently at the printers, so look for it soon at the Parks and Recreation office, Hansen Building, City Hall, Library, YMCA and the Y/City pool. The Recreation Guide will also be available on line at [www.tfid.org](http://www.tfid.org).

We are currently taking registration for our Sporties for Shorties baseball program. This program is designed for 4 and 5 year old boys and girls. This program is designed to introduce the fundamentals of all baseball in a non-competitive environment. Each Saturday, participants work on skill development while having fun. There are no designated teams or coaches and parents are required to participate with their child. Each participant will receive a t-shirt.

Success Martial Arts is a fun and positive way to give kids a head start. Students learn the benefits of discipline and confidence as well as developing coordination, strength and flexibility. These skills will prove valuable in all areas of life. This program is designed for all ages and levels of ability. Season begins May 9th. The cost is \$149, includes uniform.

Currently park staff are prepping the softball and baseball fields for Cal Ripken/Babe Ruth baseball/softball.

Currently we are taking registration for Youth Baseball/Softball. Registration is for kids that are currently in kindergarten through eighth grade. Registration dates are April 4th through April 26th. After April 26th a late fee will be added to the account. This year sales tax is also added.

Staff has implemented a new computer software for our department. We have had some bumps in the road as would anybody implementing something totally new, however staff has adjusted and it has gone well so far.

Netting at the OTYC is a little delayed because staff was told to measure the wrong dimensions, park staff will be re-measuring the correct dimensions and staff will then order the corrected nets.

## **Parks Coordinators Update Kevin Skelton & Todd Andersen**

Carter Gibb outfield fence has been replaced.

All the restrooms have been charged and opened for the season.

Seasonal employees have been hired with the addition to the Parks Dept. of three two man teams to prep and maintain the ball diamonds for games. They will be supervised by one of the Parks Dept. full time employees in addition to that persons regular duties. In theory this will free up Recreation Dept. personnel to focus on other duties.

Thirty one trees were planted in various parks and fifty eight trees were planted in the City's tree farm.

The retaining wall in the wading pool area at Dierkes Lake has been straightened and reset and the sand has been pulled back to re-establish the beach.

The new 5000 square foot Parks dept. equipment storage building has been completed and finalized.



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**Request:**

Consider a proposal by Blue Lakes Rotary Club to donate and install a sun shelter for the area in front of the band shell at City Park.

**Time Estimate:**

Presentation will take approximately 5 minutes. Following the presentation, there will be time for discussion, questions and answers.

**Background:**

Blue Lakes Rotary Club approached the Parks and Recreation Department with a proposal to purchase and install some type of sun shade for the paved area in front of the band shell. The club's position is that in the afternoon in the summer, that is a very hot area, and when bands are performing on the stage, the audience doesn't sit in the seating area because it is too hot. The Blue Lakes Rotary Club hosts an event in the park with music, food and beverages. They believe an addition such as this would benefit not only their event, but all events hosted in the park.

Because of the historic nature of City Park and the band shell structure, the Parks and Recreation Department is seeking input and direction from the Commission prior to moving forward with the Rotary Club.

**Approval Process:**

The Parks and Recreation Commission will discuss and give direction to the Department on this issue.

**Budget Impact:**

None at this time

**Regulatory Impact:**

None at this time

**Conclusion:**

Staff seeks input and direction from the Commission



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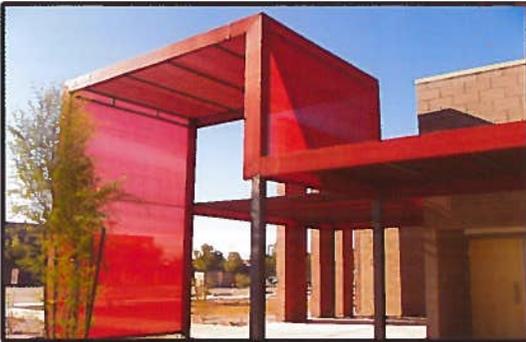
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**Request:**

Consider a request by Councilman Don Hall to explore the possibility of designating areas in Auger Falls and/or Dierkes Lake trail as dog off leash areas.

**Time Estimate:**

Presentation will take approximately 10 minutes. Following the presentation, there will be time for discussion, questions and answers.

**Background:**

At a recent City Council meeting, Councilman Hall requested the Parks and Recreation Department explore the option of designating some areas in City parks as dog off leash areas. Current City Code prohibits dogs off leash in city parks.

Staff is seeking some input and direction on how to proceed. Does the Commission think this is an issue worth investigating? Should there be a public input opportunity? Are there other locations that might be more appropriate to consider?

**Approval Process:**

The Parks and Recreation Commission will discuss and give direction to the Department on this issue.

**Budget Impact:**

None at this time

**Regulatory Impact:**

None at this time

**Conclusion:**

Staff seeks input and direction from the Commission