



Minutes
Recreation Center Committee
City of Twin Falls, Idaho
August 9, 2012
City Council Chambers
305 3rd Ave E – Twin Falls, Idaho

Committee Members

Joel Bate Kirk Brower Gary Ettenger Ryan Horsley Carl Legg Ed Patterson Chris Scholes
Jeff Blick Chris Clark Sam Fowler Nicki Kroese Scot McNeley Susan Baisch Alan Stutzman

Council Members, Ex-Officio

Shawn Barigar Chris Talkington Mitch Humble Gretchen Scott
Jim Munn Travis Rothweiler Dennis Bowyer Stacy McClintock

Members Present: **Chris Clark and Sam Fowler**

Members Absent: **Joel Bate, Jeff Blick, Kirk Brower, Gary Ettenger, Ryan Horsley, Nicki Kroese, Carl Legg, Scot McNeley, Ed Patterson, Susan Baisch, Chris Scholes and Alan Stutzman**

Council Present: **Jim Munn and Shawn Barigar**

Council Absent: **Chris Talkington**

Staff Present: **Dennis Bowyer, Mitch Humble, Stacy McClintock, Travis Rothweiler, Lorie Race, Melinda Anderson and Brent Hyatt**

Staff Absent: **Gretchen Scott**

Guest: **Renea Kelley**

Dennis called the meeting to order at 11:46 am.

Item #1 Welcome and Introductions

Introductions were made.

Item #2 Approval of June 15th, 2012 Minutes

The committee approved the minutes of the June 15th, 2012 minutes.

Item #3 Update Potential Partnership with the Boys & Girls Club of MV

Dennis informed the Committee that staff met with the Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley about a potential partnership with the City on developing a recreation center. Even though Council approved of moving forward with discussions of a partnership, they are still looking for a report from this Committee.

Melinda Anderson, Economic Development Director with the City of Twin Falls, informed the Committee of a potential partnership/funding option for the recreation center. While attending a conference, Melinda learned about an entity called New Market Tax Credit. This is for new development in low income areas. It is based on a census tract to meet low income eligibilities. She feels the area where the Committee is looking at building a recreation center would most likely meet the criteria. The New Market Tax Credit gives a 39% income tax credit over a 7 year period.

Melinda has checked to see if there have been any New Market Tax Credits created in Idaho. She found that there have been quite a few but they have been through Key Bank and Zions Bank. The YMCA in Caldwell used a New Market Tax Credit for funding when they built their facility. Melinda has a call into them to find out the process they used. Melinda will continue working on getting information for the Committee if they are interested.

Shawn mentioned to the Committee that there may have been some misconceptions with some of the members of the Committee after hearing that a partnership with the Boys and Girls Club was being discussed for a potential recreation center. He feels that once the discussions began with the Boys and Girls Club, this committee has dissolved. Shawn asked if a letter should be sent out to the members of the committee stating what is expected from those members.

Discussion followed. It was decided for staff to create a draft of the report and send it to all members of the committee and if everyone agrees, the report will be presented to Council. Travis suggested presenting a report to Council as soon as possible. Dennis will compile what has been discussed so far in the sub-committees and e-mail the committee the draft report.

Mitch mentioned that he is optimistic of a partnership with the Boys and Girls Club of the Magic Valley from the meetings that have taken place.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:23pm.



Christi Green
Administrative Assistant
Parks and Recreation