



**PARKS AND RECREATION
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**
September 10, 2008
DRAFT

CALL TO ORDER: Chair, Bruce Wilson called the meeting to order at 5:15 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Bruce Wilson, Chair; Mel Sorensen, Vice Chair and Members: Gerri Levine, Rory Huff, Rob Ingram and David Rutter were present. Carrie Dick was absent.

Others Present: Rick Manchester, Parks & Recreation Director, Mary Ann Wolf, Interim Administrative Assistant Parks & Recreation, Mary McMullen, Outdoor Recreation Coordinator and Dan Basinski, Guest.

AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Approve August Minutes — Motion** was made by Rory Huff, **seconded** by Rob Ingram, **to approve the August Parks & Recreation Board minutes.** The motion carried; 6-0. Changes to add Rory Huff to Roll Call.

Public Input—Comments from the public and/or board members concerning items not on the agenda— Rob Ingram participated in the Tennis Tournament Parks & Recreation co-sponsored on 9-6-08. He said it was a great event with 28 participants. Gerri Levine was curious about the Humane Society move and how it affects Parks & Recreation. Discussion was Town Departments need better communication between each department and again shows the importance of a Master Plan. David Rutter apologized for his absence at the last two meetings.

- 2. Correspondence (Discussion Only, No action allowed)**
 - a. Payson Unified School District: Basketball Camps and future programming.
 - b. Course Evaluation: GPS 101
 - c. Course Evaluation: Round Valley East Hike
 - d. Course Evaluation: Fly Fishing 101
- 3. Director's Report (Discussion and Possible Action)**
 - a. Green Valley Park Ramada rentals would not be cost effective at this time due to the cost of cleaning and low staff levels.
 - b. Green Valley Park Pavilion rental would be cost effective if we charged \$150.00 per day for non-commercial and \$250.00 per day for commercial which would include all non-profit organizations and churches.
 - c. Bruce Wilson recommended that the Board get authority to collect fees on the Green Valley Park Pavilion for rental to the general public at the above fees. Motion was made by David Rutter, seconded by Gerri Levine. Passed: 6-0.
 - d. Rick Manchester will work out details to start process to add the GVP Pavilion rental to town code. Board would like follow up in August 2009 to evaluate the success of this fee.

- e. Mary McMullen presented Heritage Grant Award of \$59,700 for trail building and improvements. Park & Recreation should be notified about on Sept.17th. The grant was written specifically for the Gila Community College Jimmy Harris Trail and Goat Camp. The Town of Payson will have to match the funds which have already been set aside from Impact Fees already collected.
- f. Dan Basinski presented the Stewart Pocket Trail System (SPTS) proposal to obtain 7000 acres to develop 20-50 miles of proper use trails-mountain bike specific in the National Forest. The boundaries of the area are Payson, Star Valley, Granite Dells and The Knolls. This area has the potential to make Payson a Mountain Biker Destination and would boost town tourism and income. A handout of the Socioeconomic Effect of Recreation Use in the North Fruita, Colorado Desert was handed out. Major glitches are Law Enforcement of trail use by the National Forest and Star Valley who has annexed a majority of this area when they incorporated as a town. Dan would like the Park Board to start work in securing this acreage so they can get started in the planning stages of this development. Mary McMullen stated the uniqueness of this area. The Board is very much interested and Rick Manchester will look into this further with a feasibility study to be presented at a later date.
- g. Rick Manchester advised staffing changes: Claudia Hawkins is no longer with the department and Mary Wolf will fill her position as a provisional employee.

- 4. **Future Items** — Jerry Novak regarding Disk Golf course, Master Plan and feasibility study of the Steward Pocket Trails System.
- 5. **Next Meeting**— Wednesday, October 8, 2008
- 6. **Adjourn:** The meeting of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee adjourned at 6:35 P.M.

Approved

_____ Date: _____
 Bruce Wilson, Chair

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Committee of the Town of Payson held on the 13th day of August 2008. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this _____ day of _____, 2008_____

 Respectfully submitted: Mary Ann Wolf, Administrative Assistant.