

Town of Payson  
*Parks, Recreation and Tourism Commission*  
MINUTES FOR THE PUBLIC MEETING

Meeting Date and Time: June 22, 2016 5:00 pm

Location: Town of Payson, Council Chambers  
303 N. Beeline Highway, Payson, AZ

*The Commission Reserves the right to consider any matter out of sequence.*

A. CALL TO ORDER: 5:10PM

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited.

C. ROLL CALL:

Rob Ingram, Chair X	Todd Braeger X
Rory Huff, Vice Chair X	Charles Beier X
Nancy Gartner, Secretary X	Ben McDowell X
Jim Lyon X	

OTHERS PRESENT: Cameron Davis, Parks, Recreation and Tourism Director,  
Nelson Beck, Parks Supervisor, Audrey Wilcox, Parks, Recreation and Tourism Executive  
Assistant, Courtney Spawn, Recreation Coordinator

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from February 16, 2016 meeting - Rory motioned  
for approval and Jim seconded.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Comments concerning items not on the agenda

Those wishing to address the Parks Commission during this time need not request permission in advance. No discussion regarding Public Comments is permitted. Members of the Commission may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01 (G), action taken as a result of the Public Comment is limited to (1) asking staff to study the matter, (2) responding to individual criticism, or (3) asking that the matter be placed on a future agenda.

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS (IF APPLICABLE)

None Scheduled

G. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION - Item #6 was taken out of order so Courtney could leave for activities she had going on at Rumsey Park.

1. Frisbie Golf – Charlie was approached by a patient about the Frisbie Golf course. What would the potential for the town to get a tournament to come to town? Nelson explained the Town gave them permission to put in goals then a few years later they expanded on it. The Town installed the course and tries to keep the weeds knocked down for play however that is the extent of the town’s involvement. There is a growing interest for play but someone in the community needs to be an advocate to help it grow. Possibly they could work with the Friends of Parks & Rec.
2. Community Recreation Center – This is something our community desperately needs. The pool is getting to the point that we cannot make repairs any longer. The Recreation Center could have a new pool, with 2 full courts, small classrooms, and a gym that would open up to a large room to use for weddings, funerals or community meetings. A study was previously done with Rumsey Park property in mind. A discussion on other possible locations.
3. The Master Plan – This is the key element. A professional firm could cost up to \$90,000 but they could show the needs and demands of what the community wants. We must keep asking for a master plan. Jim said the new partners for the college will require the town to do certain things.
4. Budget Review over the last 2 years on how Parks & Recreation operates.- We put in for several projects for capital improvements but nothing was passed for this next year.
5. Directors Report-
  - A. Wildlife Festival – This Festival has grown over the last several years and has been very successful.
  - B. Mountain High Games/Mogollon Monster Mudda – Participation was up—711 Adults—187 Kids—35 ATV Riders. 82% of the participants were from out of town.
  - C. Arizona High School Rodeo Finals – This event had over 250 participants.
  - D. Sprint Triathlon – This is a specialized event. We had 57 total participants. We will add new fun elements for next year to up the participants to 100-120.
  - E. Summer Concert Series – The concerts were very successful. They bring in people from the Valley trying to get out of the heat.
6. Youth and Adult Sports
  - A. Coach Pitch & T-Ball League – Leagues are in final weeks. Around 50 kids in each league comparable to previous year. Flag Football is the next youth sports activity.
  - B. Summer Camps Update
    - a. Sport & Day Camps – Had 12 overall day & sports camps this summer. Kid Fit Camp was a success which was instructed by Rim Country Crossfit. We had our highest attended basketball camp last

week with 64 kids. Courtney also wanted to mention: The Mesa Youth Football Camp held a camp at the Soccer South Soccer Field. They rented the field to hold a clinic for their cheer and football league. They also opened it up to Payson youth, which was great. They had 100 participants and also rented Taylor Pool for the evening. Part of their fee was a can good, which we were able to donate large boxes of food to our local food banks. They want to make coming to Payson an annual camp. They were very impressed with the improvements to the South Soccer Field.

C. British Soccer Day Camp – 50 kids were involved in this week long camp. The instructors for this camp are from the UK The instructors stayed with host families from Payson.

D. Summer Softball Leagues – We had 21 teams total, 17 men’s teams and 4 women’s teams. This was one of our highest turnouts. With the numbers up it was great to have the Kiwanis Fields with lights. Play would have gone into November without it.

E. Summer Co-Ed Sand Volleyball Leagues – This was the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual league play. Games are played every Friday night. We have met our average of 5 teams for that league. We will also have our annual sand volleyball day tournament at the conclusion in August.

#### H. REQUESTS TO STAFF FOR THE PLACEMENT OF ITEMS ON A FUTURE AGENDA (No discussion permitted)

#### I. ADJOURNMENT

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By: \_\_\_\_\_