



March 14, 2024

City of Hermiston Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting

Parks & Recreation

Committee Members present:

Carlisle Harrison	Jeff Kelso
Nicole Westing	Angel Aguilar
Hunter Tibbals	Ericka Juarez

Also present:

Jackie Myers, City Councilor
David McCarthy, City Councilor
Brandon Artz, Parks & Recreation Director
Kelly Schwirse, Parks & Recreation Admin
Kasia Robbins, Recreation Coordinator

Members not in attendance: Lydia Raath

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:30 by Jeff Kelso

MINUTES

- Motion to approve February minutes from the Parks & Recreation Committee meeting was made by Carlisle Harrison and seconded by Nicole Westing.
- Motion to approve February minutes from the Recreation Projects Fund Advisory Committee minutes made by Nicole Westing seconded by Carlisle Harrison. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS & BUSINESS

PICKLEBALL COMMITTEE *presentation by Emmett Walker and Tim Dewald*

- Updates on the committee's search for a permanent location for a pickleball facility.
- Proposed location is at Theater Sports Park, east of the softball fields.
- Facility would include eight regulation size courts and two USA PB Wheelchair SPEC Court ADA Access
- Location contains existing restroom facilities that would be close proximity to the courts.
- Motion made by Carlisle Harrison to accept the Pickleball Committee's proposed location of Theater Sports Park for their facility. Seconded by Nicole Westing. Motion carried unanimously.
- The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee's recommendation to accept Theater Sports Park as the location for proposed pickleball facility will be presented to City Council before moving forward.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT *presented by Brandon Artz,*

COMMUNITY CENTER ENTRY

- Parks and Rec/Community Center access from Hwy. 395 and 2nd Street is under construction. Parking lot access will be from 3rd Street with two-way Entry/Exit traffic on the north side of the building and one-way exit only on the South side of building. Project is expected to be completed in 90 days.



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RECREATION COORDINATOR

- Recreation Coordinator position has been posted and 10 applications have been received as of today. Closing date is March 22nd.
- Interviews will be held during the second week of April.
- Expected start date for selected candidate is May 1

TEEN ADVENTURE SKATEPARK

- Projected finish date of March 29th
- Save the Date! Skatefest, May 11th, ribbon cutting, demos, skate comps, and family friendly.

HARRISON PARK

- Groundbreaking event tentatively scheduled for Friday, March 22 at noon. Construction to start by end of month, includes pathways, pavilion, basketball courts, lights/cameras.
- Made to Thrive has selected 30' hexagon pavilion for the park.

FUNLAND TACTILE MAP

- Ribbon Cutting and unveiling of the new tactile map at Funland Park will be held on April 23rd at 5:00pm. This project was in partnership with Hermiston Lions Club.

STORY WALK

- Altrusa International is funding a Story Walk along Riverfront Park walking path.
- Story Walk will include 19 double-sided signs by Story Walk Solutions, each displaying 4 pages of a story book. These signs will be evenly distributed along the outside of the walking path loop.
- Installation of signs will be included with the I Love My City event in May.
- Hermiston Public Library will be handling the switching out of books throughout the year.

HERO SPORTSPLEX

- Hermiston Lacrosse will be playing league games starting this weekend.
- Pay-to-Park, pre purchase on hermistonssports.com, no account needed.
- First Lacrosse tournament, March 30th
- Lacrosse Clinics scheduled for July 1-3
- Light poles to be installed next week.

REVENUE REPORT

- See spreadsheet with a current year revenue, year-to-year comparison and youth sports participant numbers.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt, March 29, 8:00pm at Butte Park
- Youth Soccer, Registration is open. Starts April 13th
- All City League Volleyball, Registration is open. Starts April 8th



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- Spring Bazaar, May 11th, 9am-4pm at Hermiston Community Center
- WBIB Spring Break Sports Camp, April 1st – 4th
- WBIB Basketball Camps, April 1st – 4th
- Farm City Face Off Lacrosse Tournament, March 30th at HEROS Sportsplex
- Denim & Diamonds Family Dance, April 20th 6:00-8:00pm at Hermiston Community Center

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

ADJOURNED

Meeting adjourned at 6:29pm

Next meeting, April 11, 5:30pm



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What Is Pickleball?

Why is it so Popular?

What is Pickleball?

Pickleball merges the best aspects of tennis, badminton, and table tennis, played with a specially designed paddle and a perforated plastic ball. It welcomes enthusiasts of every generation and mastery level. The straightforward rules make it an accessible introduction to racket sports, yet it can evolve into a dynamic and competitive contest as players advance in skill, offering both a fun and rigorous test of agility and strategy.

Why is Pickleball so Popular?

There are many reasons for pickleball's popularity in recent years. Here are just some reasons why the USA Pickleball Association (USAPA) calls the sport, "highly contagious":

Welcomes Players of Every Level

The rules of pickleball bear a close resemblance to those of table tennis, making the game highly accessible and quick to pick up. It caters to all levels of experience – from newcomers seeking a leisurely introduction to a fresh sport, to veteran competitors searching for their next athletic challenge. Pickleball has a wide appeal, ensuring everyone has a place on the court.

A Game for Connection and Fitness

The compact size of a pickleball court, which is notably smaller than a tennis court, permits the transformation of one tennis court into four pickleball courts. This closeness encourages player interaction, making it simple to engage in conversations during the game. Pickleball is an excellent choice for family bonding or socializing with friends, whether they're long-time buddies or new acquaintances. It seamlessly blends the joy of social engagement with the benefits of an active lifestyle.

A Healthy, Active Sport

Pickleball is unmatched when it comes to a holistic workout that benefits both mind and physique. The sport is a fun way to improve balance, quickness, reflex actions, and eye-hand coordination, while being gentler on the body compared to many high-impact activities. It is especially appealing for former tennis players seeking a less strenuous option due to physical constraints like joint issues in the hips, shoulders, or knees.

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PICKLEBALL IN HERMISTON



WHAT?

The Hermiston Pickleball Facility will be a ten (10) court facility, featuring fully lighted courts, designed for year-round use (weather permitting) with a designated ADA accessible / USA PB Wheelchair spec court.

WHO?

Open to all.

WHY?

Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the nation, especially among older adults. In Hermiston, there's a noticeable absence of courts devoted to this sport. Playing pickleball not only promotes a myriad of health advantages but also fosters enriching social connections across generations, from the young to the elderly.

SUPPORTED BY?

Hermiston's Mayor, City Manager, Parks & Recreation, Hermiston School District, Chamber of Commerce, The Greater Hermiston Community Foundation, Made to Thrive, Good Shepherd Health Foundation, Wildhorse Foundation and many other Pickleball supporters and donors in the region.

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DONOR LEVELS



LEVEL	DONATION**	RECOGNITION
FACILITY NAMING	\$100,000**	Full Facility Naming
PLATINUM	\$50,000**	Individual Court Naming
PREMIERE	\$25,000**	Branding on In-Facility Bench
CHAMPION	\$15,000**	Fence Banner
GOLD	\$10,000	Prominent Recognition Donor Wall
SILVER	\$5,000	Intermediate Recognition Donor Wall
BRONZE	\$2,500	Basic Recognition Donor Wall
ACE	\$1000	Line Listed Donor
PADDLE PRO	\$500	Corporate Brick Paver
DINK DEVOTEE	\$100	Family Brick Paver

**Through a generous partnership with The Bank of Eastern Oregon a three (3) or five (5) year payment option is available to donors with signed contribution contract.



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DONOR RECOGNITION





Court Naming

(Logo on Court and Plaque on Fence)



Custom Donor Bench



Donor Wall


(Example)



Brick Pavers

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COST & TIMELINE



AMENITY	COST
Site Prep	\$42,840
Concrete	\$171,360
Fencing	\$59,560
Net Support System	\$17,850
Acrylic Court Surface for 10 Courts	\$42,268
Wind Screen (Noise Reduction)	\$6,680
Complex Lighting	\$68,425
Landscaping and Irrigation	\$13,105
Engr./Permitting/Project Management	\$94,637
Parking Area	\$50,000
Contingency	\$54,700
Budget Total for 10 Pickleball Courts	\$621,425

Summer 2024 Fundraising

Winter 2024 Construction

Summer 2025 Grand Opening

Summer 2025 1st Annual Hermiston Summer Classic

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PICKLEBALL FUNDRAISING



DONATIONS CAN BE MADE TO:

GREATER HERMISTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
 975 SE 4th Street
 Hermiston, OR 97838
 Memo: Pickleball

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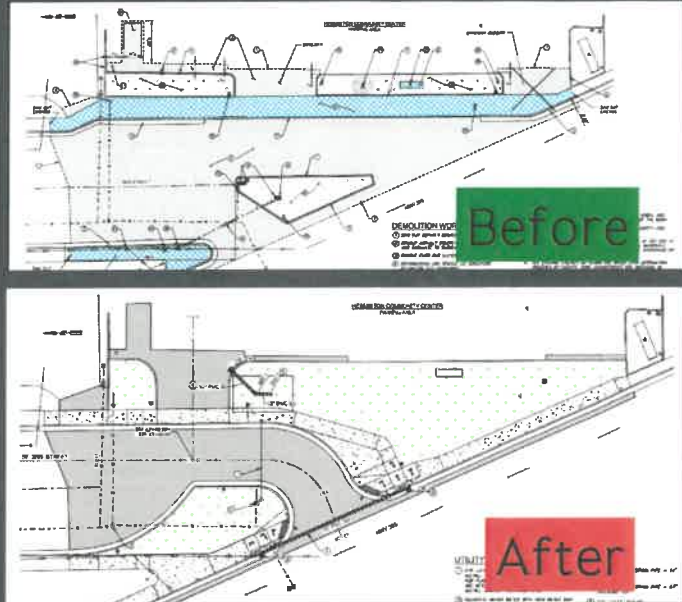
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Committee Vote to Approve Location?



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Community Center Entry

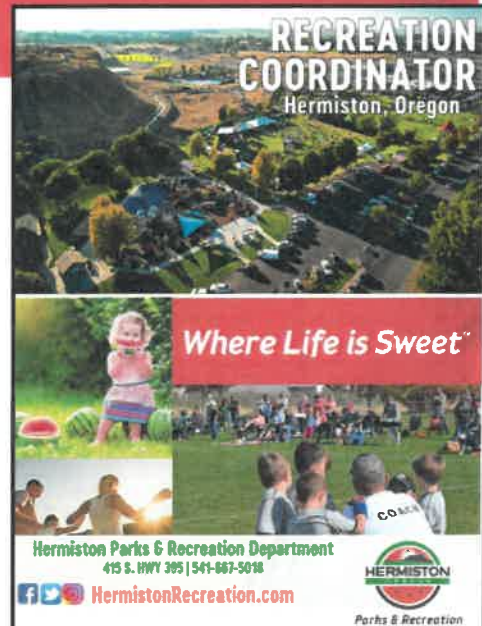


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Recreation Coordinator

Job Posted

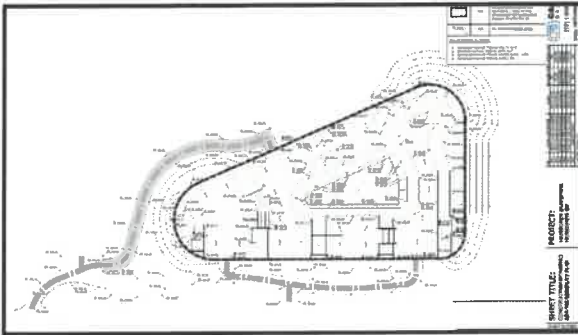
- Interviews: 2nd Week April
- Start Date: May 1st



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Teen Adventure Skatepark



March 2024

- Concrete Northwest will be onsite soon with projected finish by the end of the month.



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Harrison Park

2024

- Groundbreaking Soon!
- Work Starting in March
 - Pathways
 - Pavilion
 - Courts
 - Lights/Cameras



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Funland Tactile Map

Ribbon Cutting

April 23rd

5:00pm

- Small Program
- Cookies
- Celebrate!



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Story Walk



StoryWalk® Solutions
DOUBLE-SIDED UPRIGHT ALUMINUM FRAME
with OUTBOUND ALUMINUM POSTS

- Designed for an 18"H x 24"W page, with a viewable area of 17"H x 23"W
- Double-sided upright display that displays 4 pages of most books
- Standard post length of 60" for in-ground installation
 - Longer post lengths available
 - Surface mount aluminum posts available
- Removable top rail for easy page insertion
- Two sheets of acrylic protect the laminated page
- 1 Year Warranty on the powder-coated aluminum frame & posts.
- Made in the USA

HIGH PANEL MOUNTS
25-35" FROM GROUND



Assembly Instructions:

1. Attach the frame to the post plate using the provided hardware and allen driver. You will need a 7/16" socket wrench to install the nylock nut. DO NOT use power tools as the stainless hardware may gall and seize.
2. Remove the 2 screws from the top frame rail with the provided allen driver
3. Insert the acrylic sheets and replace the top rail.

Page Installation Instructions - First time

1. Remove the top frame rail using the provided allen driver
2. Remove the blue masking from both sides of the acrylic sheets.
3. Place your page and optional colored backer between the sheets of acrylic.
4. Slide the sheets into the frame top.
5. Replace the top rail.

Moisture Issue? Add 2 or 3 Clip Spacers to the bottom of your page to minimize water from creeping up between the acrylic sheets. It creates a larger gap, therefore, moisture will not be drawn between



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HERO Sportsplex

First Tournament - Hermiston Lacrosse, March 30th

Lacrosse Clinic Scheduled - July 1-3

Light Poles to be installed next week!





2024 Summer Day Camps

Hermiston, OR

July 1st-3rd
HEROS Sportsplex
9am-3pm

BOYS & GIRLS
GRADES 3rd-10th
\$195 PER PLAYER

- Over 100 Camps & Counting!
- Dynamic Drills & Coaching
- Position Specific Training
- Competitive Games
- Camp Pinne Included
- Prize Pack for first 20 campers!

info@treasurestatelacrosse.com

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Financials

Revenue	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	Total Revenue
Rec Programs	\$12,722	\$11,949	\$15,415	\$19,541	\$14,751	\$24,367	\$6,206	\$19,818	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$124,769
Aquatics	\$125,758	\$53,266	\$3,171	\$1,973	\$413	\$462	\$211	\$55,259	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$240,513
Community Center	\$7,275	\$11,376	\$8,363	\$5,436	\$840	\$6,068	\$8,170	\$6,113	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$53,641
Total Revenue	\$145,755	\$78,591	\$26,949	\$26,950	\$16,004	\$30,897	\$14,587	\$81,190	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$418,923

Year-to-Year Comparison

	Yr 2 vs Yr 1 % Change	Yr 3 vs Yr 2 % Change		Yr 2 vs Yr 1	Yr 3 vs Yr 2
Rec Programs	24%	7%	Rec Programs	\$22,665	\$7,853
Aquatics	33%	-5%	Aquatics	\$62,764	(\$13,182)
Community Center	142%	13%	Community Center	\$27,850	\$6,117
			Total Revenue (Diff)	\$113,279	\$788

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Basketball	288	290	0	458	427	465
Soccer	215	0	345	445	432	381
Football	204	132	272	308	289	
Volleyball	89	57	124	100	85	16
Gymnastics	134	55	0	18	0	75
Total Youth Sports Participants	930	534	741	1,327	1,233	839



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HERMISTON OREGON
SINCE 2004

**CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF
SPLASHING FUN IN HERMISTON!**

Swim Lesson Registration

All Summer:
336 Registered (\$50,040)

2 Week Session:
379 Registered (\$19,372)

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<p><i>Flashlight</i> EASTER For Kids 10 years and under Egg Hunt Sponsored by ROGERS TOYOTA OF HERMISTON</p> <p>MARCH 29th 8:00pm <i>Butte Park</i></p> <p>HERMISTON OREGON Parks & Recreation</p>	<p>YOUTH SOCCER 3yrs - 3rd Grade REGISTRATION is OPEN</p> <p>BIT.LY/HERMISTONRECREATION Parks & Recreation</p>
<p>2023 HERMISTON KENNEWICK • PASCO • RICHLAND ALL CITY CHAMPIONS</p> <p>Volleyball <i>All City League</i></p> <p>April 8-May 18 5th/6th Grade 7th/8th Grade</p> <p>HERMISTON OREGON This league requires travel, transportation is NOT included. bit.ly/hermistonrecreation Parks & Recreation</p>	<p>Spring BAZAAR <i>May 11th</i> 9am-4pm</p> <p>HERMISTON OREGON Parks & Recreation HERMISTON COMMUNITY CENTER HARKENRIDER SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER</p>

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SPORTS R US

SPRING BREAK

SPORTS CAMP

APRIL 1-4 | AGES 5-12

Get out of the house and have some fun!
Soccer, Basketball, Frisbee, Speed & Skills Competitions

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WBIB BASKETBALL CAMPS

MARCH 30 3-on-3 Basketball Camp

APRIL 1-4 Shooting, Ball Handling & Finishing Camp

APRIL 1-4 Little Dribblers Mini Camp

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Parking Pass

FARM CITY FACE OFF

MARCH 30
HEROS

HERMISTON SPORTSPLEX

Denim AND Family Diamonds Dance

APRIL 20TH 6-8PM

HERMISTON COMMUNITY CENTER

\$15