

COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

Thursday April 18, 2024, at 7:30 PM Council Chambers at City Hall Building

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: David Harris, Sara Olson, Hunter Nilson OTHERS PRESENT: Community Services Director John Bradley WELCOME PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Member Sara Olson led the pledge of allegiance.

INVOCATION/INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT

Board Member Hunter Nilson gave an inspirational thought. "Following dreams of the citizens. Anything can be accomplished."

MEETING MINUTES

1. Board Members unanimously approved the 1-18-2024 Minutes. Motion by Board Member Sara Olson, second by Board Chair David Harris.

2. New Business Updates by Community Services Director John Bradley

Prospector View Park Award- URPA awarded Santaquin Prospector View- Facility of the Year. John Bradley and Mayor received the award at URPA Conference in St George in March.

Board member Sara Olson gave update of Prospector View Trail Maintenance-April 25; 5:30-7:30pm. Bike Skills Park construction will begin June and finish in August. City has applied for a \$200K grant with State of Utah. Will find out the result of the grant end of May 2024. We have added "you are here" stickers on signs in the Park. Trail volunteers have started flagging the upper 40 acres for future trail development.

Community Garden-16 plots are ready to go. Mulch acquired from CR Mulch and volunteers helped to spread that. Unique drip irrigation created based on USU Extension recommendations. Simple process for families to turn water on and off. We've had another resident ask about expanding the garden to different parts of town. We want to see how the first community garden goes and then we can review at that point. We used a lottery drawing system to determine who got a plot in 2024. Hunter Nilson recommended to have a point system created so those that didn't get in last year have a better chance to get a plot next year. Resident Aubrey Beck has been assisting with the Garden. She came initially to propose the idea of a Community Garden to the Community Services Board.

Poly Phone App-Community Services have a department phone app, free to download. Statistics shared with nearly 1500 people in Santaquin that have downloaded. The goal is to get information to people in a new and creative way.

Grants- CS Department has received a teen water sports camp grant thru Utah Lake Authority. Shauna Jo Eves applied for the grant. It will help purchase Paddle Boards, Kayaks, Trailer for transporting equipment and supplies.

Healthy Santaquin Grant is going well. We hired a part time person named Samantha to help facilitate that. She is bilingual. We are promoting teen wellness, involving our Hispanic population more in our events and program marketing. She has translated all of our flyers and department tri-fold in Spanish. Upcoming events include "Marathon Kids", "Explore your Parks" and "Family Fitness Festival".

Summer Programs- We are sending a quarterly newsletter to Elementary schools with all of our summer camps and programs.

Youth Soccer Uniforms-Youth soccer uniforms ended up 1.5 week later. The company we ordered those from overseas. They were a beautiful jersey with multiple color options. We've told the company if we work with them in the future, we need a closer vendor shop, so we don't run into late delivery again.

Community Events - Art Festival April 27. There was a youth Talent Audition recently held, where some of the participants are invited to advance. There will be mini art mural painting, performances, and other activities at City Hall/Community Center.

Pickleball Tournaments will be offered April 18 and 20 at Harvest View.

BOARD MEMBERS UPDATES, QUESTIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS

4. Board Chair-David Harris said he and Michael Yost met with Recreation Supervisor Melinda Matheson. They had a good discussion on youth and adult sports. Melinda is doing a great job. Board Member Hunter Nilson shared some thoughts shared by residents.

Harvest View: Metal grate inside field, restroom cleanliness needs to be addressed.

Baseball Fields: Stickers at West Baseball field need to be sprayed.

Easter Egg Hunt: Evaluate age appropriate treats/toys inside Easter Egg Hunt eggs. Sound was limited. Adults in Ages 0-2 were grabbing eggs despite staff announcements. He speaks Spanish and could hear there was confusion with Hispanic population on directions. Is it possible to do one field at a time, to not split families?

Board Member Sara Olson-recommended Payson join and contribute to the growing Teen Egg Hunt. It was very well attended, but many youth from Payson are attending. Everyone agreed overall Egg Hunts went great!

NEXT MEETING

5. Wednesday July 18th, 2024 at 7:30pm

ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Sara Olson motioned to adjourn the meeting and Board Member Hunter Nilson seconded the motion.

ATTEST: Board Chair

Meeting Recorder