

**City of Hailey
Parks & Lands Board**

**Meeting Minutes
June 29, 2016**

Attending Commissioners: Lamar Waters, Phil Rainey, Terry Clark, Janet Fugate, Darin Sales, Dean Hernandez

Absent: Mark Spencer, Pat Cooley

City of Hailey: Mariel Miller, Stephanie Cook

Guests: Bob Wiederrick, Danni Dean, Kay Brill, DD Morris, Ann Dressel, Rick Dressel, Susan McBryant, Judy Harrison, Loraine Wilcox

Call to Order:

Call to order by Waters at 6:04 p.m.

Public Comment:

Bob Wiederrick is grateful for progress with Heagle Park installation of new play structure. He has estimate for pavilion structure (about 24-25ft²). Bob will send estimate to City. Bob asks for wish list of amenities for Balmoral Park.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes for May 6, 2016 by Fugate; second by Sales; passed unanimously
Motion to approve minutes for June 1, 2016 by Waters; second by Clark; passed unanimously

New Business:

Pickle Ball – recap of trial period of June 14-June 29.

Janet asks usage of marked court at Keefer Park; this usage was not tracked by the City
Rick Dressel noticed the lines at Heagle on east court lasted about 48 hours, no idea what happened.

Susan McBryant represents the local tennis community. She states that different interests create conflict. Susan believes Hailey is a city that is able to support and grow pickleball. If Hailey has designated pickleball courts, Hailey can host tournaments - money will be spent at stores, hotels, restaurants. Susan encourages pickleball players to demand more and have their own courts.

Judy Harrison thanks Susan for her positive comments. Currently at Ice House 5 courts used 3 days/week – very busy and need outdoor court for practice. Different surface, ball, there is wind. Janet asks what the different surfaces are- wood indoors, concrete/asphalt with synthetic/acrylic top layers. Only asphalt not recommended.

Rick Dressel lives 3 houses from Heagle and noticed that 90% of the time the Heagle court was empty. Shared courts will be cheaper. Initial pushback expected, but everyone will get over it

Lamar states that skaters/scooters in skate park get along- though not great.

Terry Choma is relatively new to valley, suggests online sign up.

Judy Harrison states no one wants zero-sum compromise.

Phil says if the pickleball community wants to raise money, the Board and City will find a location. In short term (this summer), asks if pickleball and tennis can compromise. Asks Susan what her short term solution would be

Susan would like to see, by next summer, a collaboration of BCRD, City, and pickleball community to create a facility. For now, give guidelines of usage time, make safe for all users and be fair for tennis and pickleball.

Rick Dressel asks if lines can be painted on basketball court at Keefer. Mariel suggests Balmoral. Ann Dressel says asphalt beats up ball and there is no fence.

Darin says it takes a very long time for structures to come together. City and Board should provide land if pickleball community can raise money.

Danni asks if painting lines at Keefer can be explored, as only way for lines to stay on court.

Also clarifies courts - not just one. Mariel isn't sure of conflicts of painting at Keefer.

Mariel says Board agrees on location, then Council approves multiple courts at one location or multiple courts at multiple locations. Mariel suggests someone go to council meeting and present.

Phil motions to explore painting lines at either Balmoral Park or Keefer Park. Janet seconds; passes unanimously.

Dean motions to recommend Balmoral Park as the location for pickleball courts. Lamar seconds; passes unanimously.

Old Business:

Dog park pros/cons - Lamar motions that Parks and Lands Board recommends to council to table dog park conversation for the remainder of the season. Janet seconds; passes unanimously.

Park walk-around consolidated list - Janet motions to revisit this list at the September meeting. Mariel says the list will not be complete, but it will give the City a chance to work on it. Dean seconds; passes unanimously.

Memory tree plaque ideas – Lamar explains that the plaque is set in concrete and sits just high enough to see and low enough to mow around. Dean agrees this will be easiest from a landscape maintenance standpoint. Lamar suggests 5"x7" plaque with a concrete border, size totaling 9"x11". Lamar motions to recommend to council a bronze plaque set in earth tone concrete measuring 9"x11". Janet seconds; passes unanimously. City will look into pricing at Sun Valley Bronze (Jason Georgiades). Dean asks if we only want to cover costs or if we want to charge enough to raise money for parks. Mariel suggests City looks into cost of landscaping company planting tree and installing plaque compared to City planting tree and installing plaque.

Wish list: in-lieu fees- Land & Water Conservation Grant recap regarding a match for Balmoral – is it worth it if match can't be met. Janet suggests pickleball and Kiwanis raise match and then pickleball goes in at Balmoral. Mariel notes that Balmoral Park is the City's focus. Darin motions to use remaining in-lieu fees and impact fees for match, also using any money that is raised by pickleball and Kiwanis. Janet seconds; passes unanimously.

Commissioner/Staff Reports:

Mariel notes that RiverFest is July 4th from 1pm-5pm, having music, food and beer.

Lamar says Skate Park competition was success and had good turnout.

Mariel says officers and court ordered volunteers are making progress at Heagle Park. They spread impact material last week.

Mariel gave RainBird IQ update, spent a ton of time but it is up and running.

Discussion of Topics for Next Agenda:

Pickleball location and line painting for short term

Pickleball price for long term permanent structure

Memory tree program

Adjourn:

Lamar moved to adjourned the meeting, second by Janet. Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.