Parks and Lands Board Meeting Minutes
Date: June 16, 2026

Call to Order
Chair Bob Wiederrick called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Attendance
Committee Members Present: Bob Wiederrick, Penny Thayer, Dave Fluetsch, Lamar Waters, Janet Barton
Staff Present: Amy Bain. Lisa Horowitz
Public Present: Uhrig family members, Noah from Mountain Express Newspaper

Approval of Previous Minutes
Held until August meeting

Old Business

Arena renaming

Dave asked what the process of how discussion items move to the city council level. Lisa explained.

Amy showed the board emails and petition results from the public on the topic. She also told them the arts and historic board had voted in favor of the new name.

Penny expressed concerns over how the process went, that the notification in the newsletter was not enough time for public input and there was not enough information overall. She also thinks the information given was biased. She is in support of naming just the rodeo event after Ted Uhrig, but not the arena facility.

Lisa commented that in speaking with Trademark Signs, they confirmed that a couple of weeks was an appropriate timeframe for public input on a matter such as this.

Dave asked where the Sawtooth Ranges stood on the matter, and Amy confirmed they were also in favor of the name change.

Uhrigs reiterated that their request was to rename the arena facility, not the rodeo.

Amy showed the 2012 minutes……

Janet said that naming a facility or park is a big deal, and they are feeling pressured to hurry. The council has already approved the change, so the parks board participation is basically a moot point, but they are trying to protect the process and any future litigation.

Dave says the city should have reached out to the public more on the matter and taken more time.

Penny restated the proper process was not followed and the board feels boxed in to decide.

Bob asks to wrap it up and motions to approve the name change. Lamar seconded the motion. Roll call: Dave, no. Janet, yes. Penny, no. Lamar, yes.

Lisa again apologizes for the misstep in protocol and meant no disrespect to the board.

Skatepark shade structure

Amy showed the board a couple more shade options, including one sent over by Becki Keefer with the Hailey Parks Foundation.

The members liked the one Becki sent over because it would be less maintenance and be on a concrete base.

The members discussed the best location and decided the area next to the semi-circle seems to be where the skaters liked to have it would make the most sense.

Lamar suggested that maybe a small fabric shade could be put over the bleachers where people watch the skaters.

Other discussions

Amy told the board the Quigley Pathway has been adopted by Turf and Tree Care for maintenance. Penny asked what part of the path belonged to the HOA. Amy responded that it was the sections adjacent to Sunbeam Subdivision.

Amy told them she had received some positive feedback on the playground edging at Curtis Park. She also updated them on the middle section of concrete going in at the skatepark. The board asked if the contractor could come to the next meeting.

Amy showed a couple of pictures of the Heagle porta potty structure being started and asked about the look of metal the board likes best. They decided on the unrusted metal look.

Bob would like to have a future meeting at Lions park and discuss some work that Kiwanis is interested in fundraising for.

July meeting

Due to conflicting schedules, the board agreed to have the next meeting at the skatepark on July 14th, and would like to have the Hailey Parks Foundation members and the concrete contractor to attend if possible.

Adjournment

Chair Bob Wiederrick adjourned the meeting at 7:19 PM.