

## PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

City Council Chambers, 33 East Broadway Avenue, Meridian, Idaho Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at 5:30 PM

#### Mission:

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# Agenda

John Nesmith

Alan Helms

#### VIRTUAL MEETING INSTRUCTIONS

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#### **ROLL-CALL ATTENDANCE**

Mandi Roberts, President Dom Gelse	omino, Vice President
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- \_\_\_\_ Jennifer Bobo \_\_\_\_ Terry Dennington
- \_\_\_\_ Brienne Sandow
- \_\_\_\_ Jo Greer

\_\_\_\_ Elle Hood

## ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

#### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

 May 8, 2024 Special Meeting ~ Spring Pathways Tour Mandi Roberts, MPRC Chair ~ 2 minutes

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### 2. Welcome New MPR Commissioner Brienne Sandow

Mandi Roberts, MPRC Chair  $\sim 2$  minutes

## 3. Upcoming Events

Shelly Houston, MPR Marketing Coordinator ~ 5 minutes

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

4. Meridian Homecourt Update

Jake Garro, MPR Facility Manager ~ 20 minutes

5. MPR Annual Facilities Tour Planning

Steve Siddoway, MPR Director  $\sim 10\ minutes$ 

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## 6. New Meridian Community Center Process Update

Garrett White, MPR Recreation Manager  $\sim 10$  minutes

## WORKSHOP ~ NONE

## **STAFF REPORTS**

7. **MPR Staff** ~ 15 minutes

## NEXT MEETING ~ September 11, 2024 at 5:30 PM

## 8. Future Meeting Topics

Mandi Roberts, MPRC Chair ~ 5 minutes

## ADJOURNMENT

## 2024 All-Commission Goals:

- 1. Participate in the development of the Pathways Master Plan Update.
- 2. Support development of a connected pathway system across the City of Meridian, with a focus on user experience amenities and improved connectivity.
- 3. Support future improvements at Lakeview Golf Course, including clubhouse/patio improvements and new on-course restrooms.
- 4. Participate in the partnership with the Meridian Arts Commission to add theming and identity reinforcing art in Meridian parks and along pathways. Focus this year on Discovery Park, Fuller Park, and Chateau Park.
- 5. Participate in the design and programming of a new Community Center.
- 6. Support replacement of the Settlers Park Splash Pad.
- 7. Continue to provide feedback for ongoing park improvements and enhancements.
- 8. Engage other task forces, commissions, entities, and agencies through workshops and other outreach for partnership opportunities.
- 9. Support ongoing operations of the Meridian Pool.
- 10. Pursue improved communication tools and opportunities to engage the community and diverse interests.



# **PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION**

## SPECIAL MEETING • MINUTES Reta Huskey Park, 2887 Tubac Drive, Meridian Idaho Wednesday, May 8, 2024 • 5:30 p.m.

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#### **Roll-Call Attendance**

Commission Chair Mandi Roberts called the meeting to order at approximately 5:32 p.m. MPR Administrative Assistant II Rachel Myers took roll-call attendance as follows:

- <u>X</u> Mandi Roberts, Chair
- $\underline{X}$  Dom Gelsomino, Vice Chair
- <u>O</u> Jennifer Bobo
- <u>X</u> Jo Greer
- \_ Vacant

X Elle Hood
X John Nesmith
O Terry Dennington
X Alan Helms

Others present were: Jason Korn, Caleb Hood, Adrienne Weatherly, and Nick Weatherly. MPR Department staff—Parks and Recreation Director Steve Siddoway, Parks Superintendent Mike Barton, Recreation Manager Garrett White, Pathways Project Manager Kim Warren, and Administrative Assistant II Rachel Myers.

#### Adoption of the Agenda

*Commission Chair Mandi Roberts entertained a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Commission Vice Chair Dom Gelsomino moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Jo Greer seconded. All were in favor of the motion.* 

#### **Approval of the Minutes**

#### 1. April 10, 2024 Regular Meeting - Mandi Roberts

Commission Chair Mandi Roberts entertained a motion to adopt the minutes as presented. Commission Vice Chair Dom Gelsomino moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Alan Helms seconded. All were in favor of the motion.

#### Announcements

#### 2. Upcoming Events - Steve Siddoway, MPR Director

Commission Team Building – would the Commissioners like to hold a team-building activity this year, potentially in June?

#### **Old Business ~ NONE**

#### **New Business**

3. **Spring Pathways Tour on Bicycles – Kim Warren, MPR Pathways Project Manager** Members of the public and Commission participated in a bike tour starting at Reta Huskey Park. Stops included the new bridge, newly completed pathway sections between Ten Mile and Black Cat, needed pedestrian crossing locations for coordination with ACHD, and next year's priority pathway project west of McDermott.

#### Workshop ~ NONE

#### **Staff Reports ~ NONE**

Next meeting June 12, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

#### Adjourn

*Commission Chair Mandi Roberts motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commission Vice Chair Dom Gelsomino seconded. The vote was unanimous and in favor of the motion.* 

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:12 p.m.

APPROVED:

MANDI ROBERTS, CHAIR

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DOM GELSOMINO, VICE CHAIR

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Attachments:

1) 2024 Pathways Tour Map





