

# Central Lyon County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

## MINUTES

January 11th, 2023  
5:00 pm  
Lyon County Utilities  
34 Lakes Blvd, Dayton, NV 89403

### AGENDA

1. **Call to order / Pledge of Allegiance**
  - 5pm
2. **Roll call, determination of Quorum.**
  - **Board Members Present – Gina Lee, Kathryn Ataman & Richard Mitrotz via zoom. Quorum Met**
  - **Staff – Judge Smith**
3. **Public participation:** Limited to items not on the agenda and within the jurisdiction of this board. Citizens wishing to speak during public participation are asked to state their name for the record and will be limited to 3 minutes. However, the Board reserves the right to reduce or extend this 3-minute time limit, as well as limit the total time for public participation. Public participation may be returned to at any time during the agenda. The same applies to public comment on each agenda item. No action will be taken until an item is properly placed on the agenda.
  - **None**
4. **Action Item:** Approval of agenda for the meeting of January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023
  - **Kathryn Attaman, motion to approve, Richard Mitrotz 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved**
5. **For Possible Action:** Seating of the Advisory Board Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary.
  - **Richard Mitrotz, motion to reseal board as is, Kathryn Attaman 2<sup>nd</sup>, Approved.**
6. **Action Item:** Approval of Minutes from meeting of December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022
  - **Gina Lee motion to approve, Richard Mitrotz 2<sup>nd</sup>, Approved.**
7. **Special Presentation:** USA Pickleball representatives
  - **Presentation from Dave Whitefield, an Ambassador for the USA Pickleball Association along with his wife Mona who is also a USA Pickleball Rep.**
  - **Alan Clark, Dayton resident and pickleball player and tournament coordinator.**
  - **Discussed the Mills Park pickleball development, raised private capital and built 8 courts in Carson City. Still actively raising money to maintain courts. They did receive some funding from the Covid American rescue plan and a**

good chunk went to parks/rec. Mayor of Carson city set aside \$500k to add additional courts. In the process of planning that project now.

- Benefits to the community is apparent in the participation and health benefits that go along with exercise. It is attracting an older demographic, retirees but also trending to younger people gravitating to the sport which is a focus to expand sport.
- The benefits are both to mental and physical health of the community.
- You can see the growth of the sports in the participation of professional athletes and the equipment manufacturers. The 10-day national tournament is attracting 2000-2500 participants and 10,000 visitors per day with portions of the tournament now being televised.
- The annual Huntsman World Games in Saint George Utah held in October, community of 80k invested in an outdoor facility with 24 courts. The '22 tournament drew 1100 pickleball participants The tournament attracted approx. 10,000 athletes from 33 countries in a variety of events and contributed approximately \$15-20 million into the community. Another example is Naples Florida with 60-100 courts.
- Discussed the rapid growth of the sport perhaps the fastest growing sport worldwide with 12-15% growth/yr, approx. 5 million players throughout the US doubling in size in the past 2-3 yrs.
- Mills Park is gated and locked to prevent vandalism with a 10' high fence that is standard size with tennis courts.
- Discussed how to repurpose existing tennis or basketball courts and if possible, having a dual use.

8. **Discussion and possible action:** Replacement of aging playground equipment, Dayton Mark Twain, Dayton Como Park, Dayton Patriot Park, (not to exceed \$\$\$\$\$).

- **Awaiting quotes, pushed to February meeting agenda.**

9. **Lyon County staff reports:**

A. Pocket Parks and facilities

B. Regional Parks

C. Proposed Park Projects and updates.

- **In winter they focus on cleaning up weeds, and with storms snow removal.**
- **Updating Silver City Trees, will be planted in Spring, following up on schedule for fencing.**

10. **Discussion and Possible Action:** Brochure for the Lyon County Parks and Trails

- **Richard researched and discovered that these types of brochures/collateral material are to responsibility of the Lt. Governor's Office/Travel & Tourism at the State level.**
- **Lyon County Board of Commissioner's have discussed this issue & suggested that the area Chamber's of Commerce work together to create these materials.**
- **Richard serves on the Silver Springs Chamber Board and will begin coordinating with other area Chambers.**

**11. Chair/Member comments and recommendation for future agenda topics.**

- **None**

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- **None**

**13. Adjournment**

- **5:50p**