

Stagecoach Advisory Board Minutes

Wednesday, August 2, 2023

1. **Call to Order:** 7:00 PM
2. **Roll Call: Determination of a Quorum:** Charles (Charlie) Shirley, Amanda (Mandy) Brinnand and Cassandra Aveiro in attendance, Angela DeFord and Annette Carpenter are excused absence. Quorum met.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Public Participation:** None
5. **For Possible Action: Review and adoption of agenda:** Request to move 9F. Community Reports, Central Lyon County Fire District up, due to current structure fire in Dayton. *Mandy* made a motion to approve the agenda, moving 9F to after #5, adoption of agenda, *Cassandra* seconded, motion passed 3/0.
6. **For Possible Action: Approval of Stagecoach Advisory Board Minutes.**
 - 6a. **For Possible Action: Approve the June 7, 2023 Minutes:** *Mandy* made motion to approve the minutes from June 7, 2023 meeting, *Cassandra* seconded, motion passed 3/0.
 - 6b. **For Possible Action: Approve the July 5, 2023 Minutes:** *Cassandra* made motion to approve the minutes from July 5, 2023 meeting, *Mandy* seconded, motion passed 3/0.
- 9F. **Community Reports, Central Lyon County Fire District:** Rich Harvey, Central Lyon County Fire Protection District Fire Chief. Two new stations have opened, Silver Springs-32 and Dayton-39; Stagecoach-37 station is staffed with permanent fire fighters. Have hired 9 new firefighters and 7 or 8 are headed to the fire academy. The lease was signed with Lyon County for use of the Stagecoach fire bays for their mechanic. An agreement was signed with Lyon County to turn over the station in Mound House to the County for use as a community center. The new stations will reduce response times and they haven't been overwhelmed with mutual aids requests as they previously were.

Mandy Brinnand asked for the timeline for the mechanic using the bays. Mr. Harvey said there wasn't, but some equipment will start to show up.

Cassandra Aveiro asked about the recent house fire in Stagecoach. Mr. Harvey wasn't sure but said he could find out.
7. **Chair & Board Member Comments:** Cassandra and Charlie thanked everyone for attending.
8. **For Discussion Only:** Community input and ideas for the future and repurposing of Spud Field, for submission to Central Lyon County Parks and Recreation.

Public Comment

Mike Kline said a dog park, grass wouldn't be needed, and some Stagecoach residents currently drive to Dayton to use their dog park.

Terry Schmidt said a skateboard park, Silver Springs has a small one, kids don't have a lot to do in Stagecoach.

Loraine De la Torre said a covered arena and possibly an archery area as well ; 4-H and grange could use it, could use for clinics, livestock practice, events, small fun days. Shade would allow for year-round use. The nearest covered arena is Gardnerville. *Richard Mitrotz* asked for the minimum size. *Loraine* said rectangular would be best, 60 x 120 or 80 x 200, 1 acre minimum are common.

Charlie Shirley asked the current dimensions of Spud Field. *Richard Mitrotz* said 301' x 393', 2.3 acres, that's the ballfield only.

Rebecca Martinez asked if there were bathroom facilities there. *Richard Mitrotz* said his understanding there is water there and there is a bathroom currently there. *Rebecca* said a skate park and also thinks the new shooting facility also has archery.

Lesa Bielman said a little skate park, arena and dog park with a walking path around the park, multi-functional use.

Mandy Brinnand said whatever is decided, there needs to be community support, these are great ideas, but don't want to be in a situation where something is built, and it isn't used. This already happened in 2014, where volunteer residents put in a lot of work, but it wasn't used. Concerned at the small turn-out, is this an indication the community doesn't support this? *Charlie Shirley* said we could put something on Stagecoach Peeps and post flyers. *Mandy* said she posted on peeps and posted flyers. *Loraine De la Torre* said there is a school board meeting in Dayton and during public comment or put on agenda looking for public input.

9. Community Reports

A. Lyon County Commissioner/Manager Office: Commissioner Hendrix made notification she wouldn't be able to attend.

B. Silver Springs/Stagecoach Hospital Board of Trustees: Not Present.

C. Public Safety: Sheriff Department/NHP: *Deputy Wayne Hawley* said there were 239 calls in Stagecoach/Silver Springs for July, but that includes 911 hangups, etc. There is a new Sheriff's Office app for phones, has news, alerts, arrests, jail information, sex offender locator, information about schools, complaints or compliments on deputies, file reports online.

Public Comment

Richard Mitrotz asked if there was Secret Witness ability on the app, they have their own program with a phone number. Asking because of vandalism and creating a reward.

Mandy Brinnand asked about the online reports, she filed one a complaint of about 175-200 vehicles speeding on a dirt, non-maintained residential road and only received an email that it was pending. What does this mean? Did it stay pending because a deputy didn't show up or was it not submitted? *Deputy Hawley* said he'll look into it and have an answer at the next meeting.

D. Silver Springs Area Chamber of Commerce: *Richard Mitrotz*, they reduced the membership to \$25 for Stagecoach and Silver Springs residents to make the chamber stronger and empower the community. There are limited businesses in this area, they included a membership level to self-employed; home based businesses. Their focus is bringing in the community, businesses are limited in this area, so they want to bring in residents. They currently have over 30 members. Founders Day is in October 7, there will be a fly-in, balloon rides, remote control airplanes, drone demonstrations, etc. A new magazine called Lyon County magazine, they may run profiles on our towns and some members. Chamber meetings are on the third Monday of the month, and they will soon have zoom capabilities.

Mandy Brinnand asked if Stagecoach was in the chamber. *Richard Mitrotz* said yes, it was 89429 zip, so it includes Stagecoach and Silver Springs, a chamber is only as strong as its members.

Rebecca Martinez asked if the chamber was doing the fly-in. *Richard Mitrotz* said they are helping with online registration.

E. Animal Services: Not Present, *Mandy* said she reached out to Animal Services and Hospital Board, but received no response.

F. Central Lyon County Fire District: Moved to after agenda item #5

G. Central Lyon County Parks and Recreation: *Richard Mitrotz* thanked us for the input on Spud Field but wants to ensure the community has buy-in and whatever is done will be used. Has also received input himself and needs to ensure whatever is done is used. Next month's meeting is cancelled, so there is more time for ideas and buy-in, maybe signing a list of people that are buying into an idea. Their board doesn't approve anything, they only make recommendations to the BOCC. Parks update - the playground equipment at Mark Twain park will be replaced; a fence will be installed at Silver City park to keep out horses and a zigzag gate will be recommended at Penny park to keep horses out. They are trying to get the bathrooms opened, they are hoping to install a dawn to dusk locking system at Penny park as a pilot and get some law enforcement checks in the evening to ensure doors are locked. They also want to get the water fountains turned on; they currently aren't because of vandalism.

10. Correspondence: None

11. Future Agenda Items: *Mandy Brinnand* – As the Parks and Recreation department isn't meeting this month, put Spud Field on next month's agenda again. Disappointed at the turnout, posted on Facebook and hung-up flyers around town, but no ideas emailed to ScCAB. Concerned if this is the level of support for improvements, one option is do nothing and leave it as it is, don't want improvements that nobody uses. *Richard Mitrotz* said he would talk to Staff about comments this evening and viability of some of the ideas and run some numbers. They only make recommendations, anything they submit to the BOCC can be shot down. *Mandy* said everyone can help by getting the word out.

12. Public Participation:

Lesa Bielman asked if there was a way to connect other than the internet as some don't want to email to the County and provide their email address. She would be willing to pay for postage to mail out Spud Field input flyers.

Richard Mitrotz said they have a billboard in Silver Springs, post current events, can also go to their website and it shows current events in the area.

Charles Shirley said he spent 12 years on the School Board, and they had the same problem, how to communicate. Paid a firm and they came back and said there isn't a way. Stagecoach is a smaller community, so it will have to be a mutual attack of emails, flyers, posts.

13. Adjourn: 8:00 PM