



HAYDEN PARKS AND RECREATION MEETING

Wednesday, September 17th, 2025

6:00 pm

Hayden Center

495 W Jefferson Avenue, Hayden

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Erica mentioned to approve, Conner and Jessica second

4. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: none, but did have Zach (Lion's Club) and Madison (Routt County Community Health) to share feedback on Harvest Fest

5. HAYDEN CENTER UPDATE

- a. Budget – would like Andrea at next mtg if possible.
- b. Youth Athletic Camp – went well
- c. Wild About Dance – Aug 4th – 8th ages 6-8 – lower numbers, but good class, kids had a good time!
- d. Oh the Places You'll Go Dance Class – Aug 4th – 8th ages 9+- lower numbers, but good class
- e. All About Peaches Cooking Class – went well. Incredible! Went an hour over, good to see kitchen in use, good learnings from the event too.
- f. Upcoming Herbal Medicine Class – 5 enrolled – going well
- g. Kid Zone Starting September – Started, currently low numbers, but will probably pick up as the weather changes. 9am-11am. Perhaps it's slow due to still being nice outside. May be good to wait until more kids come during school year.
- h. Some maintenance: baby changing stations added in bathrooms.
- i. Sarah looking into cheerleading class with school, no one signed up.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Programs
 - 1. Football
 - 1. Tackle football is undefeated.
 - 2. Coaches go through training
 - 3. Refs are really great!
 - 4. Start week of Aug 11th
 - 5. Ends week of Oct 6th
 - a. Teams are doing well

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- b. Huge thanks to Hayden Schools for the Under the Lights Game Sept 9th
- c. Hoping to host the championship Tackle Football game under the lights as well

7. OLD EVENTS

a. Harvest Festival

1. Date for Harvest Festival – September 13th 1:00-4:00
 - a. Thoughts – keep same weekend or change?
2. Teaming with Arts Council / Lions Club / Routt County Community Health
 - a. This was fantastic – hopefully continue
2. Vendors –
 1. Loved the produce one – Great job Nash!
 2. The product vendor was stoked and wants to come back next year. Roasting peppers was great.
 3. Move Routt Country Health tent closer to the food.
 4. It was the last day of the Steamboat Farmers Market so produce vendors were already booked there, and could have had an impact on how many people attended Harvest Fest.
3. Pumpkin Sale
 1. Thoughts – sounds like the big pumpkins were not available
 2. They were really small but they all sold out!
 3. Maybe reach out to other places, like Walmart, to see if we can get bigger ones? Or move the date of Harvest Fest out?
4. Carmel Apple Buffett -Usually Free – Community Health cover cost this year! Thanks!
 1. Apples: Routt County Health covered the cost of it.
 2. Carmel – Monica Thanks!
 3. Toppings: they seemed great, kids like them
 4. Coffee
 5. Cider
5. Hay Ride: great success!!!
 1. We have the trailer (Ryan Wattles – Thank You)
 2. Town Tractor –
 - a. Driver – Dustin Jones – Thank You
 - b. Hay – Frank Case set up – I think with Ryan
 - c. Blankets – Thanks HPR – please grab what you brought
6. KS Kreations Treats?
 1. Cookies, Cup Cakes, Dog Treats
 - a. Thanks Dan/Cassie for picking up – cost was \$100 with \$50 donation
7. Face Painters: Went well, two was plenty
 1. Art Council (2)
8. Food Truck:
 1. Maybe a third truck would be nice – but don't want to have too many so they don't make a profit.
 2. Better coordination on where to put the food trucks; Snow Cone truck got frustrated and left (although he wasn't signed up in the first place).
 3. Erica suggested smaller portions for kids as all plates were adult sized
 4. 2 – Lions Club
 - a. American Legion: Served hamburgers
 - b. Chuck Wagon Grill: Served brats
 5. Food Paid for by Community Health – Thanks!
9. Hay/ Straw Maze
 1. Ben Williams – Thanks – Great Maze set up by Andy Bennett – kids love being on the top.
10. Sponsorship
 1. Baseline - \$500 – Usually \$1000, they think they can do more next year



2. Others – for next year?
3. Maybe Electrify (used to be Zirkle) for internet
11. Game of Chance- Candy Corn
 1. We didn't make much money on it but people seemed excited about it
 2. Next year have items that are more universal, unisex
 3. Kids – Steamboat Fun and Games- Thanks
 4. Adult – Manes and More – Thanks!
 5. Nash put together another one –
 - a. We didn't make much money on this – this year??? It didn't cover the cost of the extra basket
12. Water
 1. Usually donation from Coke – We had some left over from PWW – may need again next year, but we – should have some still for ISS Tournament
13. Alcohol
 1. Big plus this year. A lot of cans left in the fridge, kegs still had beer. Lions maybe made \$100. Maybe advertise the beer garden better next year, perhaps highlight that on the flyer/poster better.
 2. Lions Club
14. Sauerkraut competition went well!
15. Chili competition? Probably not since it would go against food vendors.
16. Routt County Community Health: grant was enough to cover 212 meals that were given away this year!
 1. Might be able to get the grant for next year for food vouchers too!
17. Advertising: Zack brought up better advertising next year.
18. Craft Table
 1. Art Commission
 2. Encourage something more “harvest” next year with a more involved craft/at.
19. Photo Booth
 1. Art commission –
20. Games –
 1. Thanks Adam and Mike – what a great job –
 - a. Thoughts for next year?
 2. How can we get the games better coordinated and thought out? scheduled out, more people to help out with them, announce when the games would occur. Sometimes the stand alone games take some abuse.
 3. Maybe she tournaments: disc golf tournament (might be too close to other tournaments? Per Matt, there's an upcoming tournament between Hayden and Craig this year), corn hole tournament.
21. Other Ideas?

8. NEW BUSINESS

1. ISS Cornhole Tournament
 1. 2026 Date? Decided on Saturday, Feb 28th.

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2. We can visit about the planning in October or November
3. 10am registration, tournament 11am-5pm?
4. Casual and Competitive tournaments
5. Food truck and cart
6. Scoreholio worked really well!!! Advertising on it seems to work well too since we had people come up from Eagle.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Budget for next year – What info do you want? Do we want Andrea to attend Oct mtg?

- b. 2025 Meeting Dates:

1. Wednesday, January 15th, 2025
2. Wednesday, February 19th, 2025
3. Wednesday, March 19th, 2025
4. Wednesday, April 16th, 2025
5. Wednesday, May 21st, 2025
6. Wednesday, June 18th, 2025
7. Wednesday, July 16th, 2025 – **We changed to July 9th**
8. Wednesday, August 17th, 2025 – **We changed to August 13th**
9. Wednesday, September 17th, 2025-
10. Wednesday, October 15th, 2025
11. Wednesday, November 19th, 2025
12. Wednesday, December 17th, 2025 (**change due to school Christmas Program; discuss during the October meeting**)

- c. Next meeting on Wednesday, October 15TH, 2025

Event Dates

1. PWW date – April 12th 2025
 2. Easter Extravaganza – April 19th, 2025
 3. Cornhole – Feb. 22nd, 2025
 4. Huck Finn – June 7th, 2025
 5. Hayden Daze – July 18th & 19th, 2025
 6. Harvest Festival – September 13th, 2025
- d. Help Arts Council put on Teton Gravity Research film, serving beer.

10. 2025 PRIORITIES

- a. Ballfield Lights – Update
- b. 3rd Street Park – Update
 1. The surface especially under monkey bars
 2. The bathrooms

HPR Chairperson Signature_____