

**Parks and Recreation, Sacajawea Center and Cemetery Team Meeting Report,  
May 8th, 2019**

Submitted by Jim Bockelman.

**Present:** Guest Robert Wiederrick, Sacajawea Center Director Lin Gray, Parks Supervisor Gordon Stephenson, Cemetery Grounds Staff Leonard Hatch, Council Members Neal James and Jim Bockelman.

**Robert Wiederrick** addressed the team on improving the area around the Island Park Pavilion to make it more user friendly and with that more usage for the pavilion. Bob has met with Harry Shanafelt and discussed his ideas which would involve moving the fencing back further south, bringing fill to the level of the floor of the pavilion, making more parking near the pavilion and a circular drive thru access around the area. His suggestion was to ask the community to dump clean fill which might take two to three years for the process to complete. Once the fill process is complete, Bob is willing to fund at least \$1000 towards the purchase good gravel to overlay the fill. He commented that once done, the area would be a good fit with the future bike/walking path. He also commented on how the pavilion has been cleaned up and is looking much better. This project could be looked at by the public works team and discussed during the budget process.

**Lin** gave an overview of what's coming to the center and for her in the upcoming year, attached see list. The Historical Society, the Sacajawea Center and the Arts Council teamed to submit a grant to the Idaho Humanities Council to bring a Smithsonian Exhibit to Salmon and we got picked as one the locations. The exhibit is called "Crossroads Change in Rural America" and will be housed the Old Library Building from the end of November thru the middle of January. Needs budget wise was discussed. There is need for an improvement in the center's lawn mover preferably a replacement. Discussion between the Parks, the Cemetery and the Center was focus was on not using the mowing equipment until they are junk and upgrading on a schedule thru the budget process. The center's paved parking area is scheduled for improvement this July. The dirt parking/roadway will need improvement in the future. The burning of the ditches was discussed which is the responsibility of the haying contractor and is not being done. Lin and Gordon will get together on getting the ditches burned. There is a cow problem that causes some problems. Electric fencing could cure the problem, but whose responsibility is it and were to put it is the issue.

**Gordon and Lenard reported** on the Parks and the Cemetery. Things are looking good at both. A new sprinkler system is in the works around the perimeter of the Swimming Pool. Plans are in the works to make sure the Cemetery will be looking great come Memorial Day. Jim commented on the need for certain areas of the roadway/parking area at the City Park that need improvement. Island Park's walkway around the south end needs some grooming and a specific type weed that encroaches on the walkway needs eradication.

**Jim** gave report on the Kid's Creek Park Agreement. The Fish and Game will be replacing the vault toilet this year soon. The City Responsibility in the agreement were discussed and will be passed on to the Fish and Game for the agreement. The Welcome to Salmon entrance sign near the park needs work. Gordon stated that it would be an easy fix. Direction is needed on who is to handle it.