Ivins City Parks and Recreation
Staff Report August 7, 2025
Report Dates: June 1 – July 31

Recreation

Previous Activities:

- **Youth Baseball**
  Monday through Thursday nights were filled with t-ball and coach pitch players at UNITY park. Games ended on June 11. It was a successful season.

- **Teen Summer Foam Blast**
  The Teen Summer Foam Blast was on Wednesday July 9th 11am-2pm at Ivins Heritage Park. We had a great time. We would like to thank Mike Pondoyo with the SCIPD for getting dunked in the dunk tank over and over!
  The 105* day was filled with water fun, music, foam, slide, shaved ice, and a food truck.



Ongoing Activities

- **Family Movies in the Park**
  Fridays in August, Ivins City Heritage Park will turn into an outdoor movie theater. Movies start at dusk. This year's lineup is:
  August 1st – Brother Bear
  August 8th – Moana
  August 15 – Moana 2
  August 22nd – Cinderella (2015)

Upcoming Activities

- **Day trip to Bryce Canyon**



$50/participant
Minors must be accompanied by an adult
Fee covers bus, entrance to park, water and snacks on the bus.

- **Youth Flag Football**
  Registration open now through August 15 online at ivins.recdesk.com
  The age divisions for this league will be as follows:
  Ages – 5 & 6 Coed (Tuesdays & Thursdays)
  Ages – 7 & 8 Coed (Mondays & Wednesdays)
  Ages – 9 to 12 Coed (Tuesdays & Thursdays)
  Ages determined as of October 31, 2025
  Play begins week of Sept 15 and ends week of Oct 6. Games at UNITY Park.

- **Youth Volleyball**
  Registration open now through August 15 online at ivins.recdesk.com
  Grades 3rd-8th Co-ed
  Games are held on Mondays at Lava Ridge Intermediate School from Sept 15-Oct 27

- **Heritage Days – September 6-13 – 'Planting Seeds, Harvesting Unity'**



The schedule is online at ivinsutah.gov/ivins-heritage-days-2025/
We are excited for the new and returning activities this year. Registration is now open for the Art Exhibit, Car Show, Hockey Clinic, Pie Baking Contest, Sponsorships, Vendor Booths, Parade, and Mini-Miss. Contact Victoria Topham if you'd like to tell a story for Coyote Tales.

Parks

- **Maintenance**
  - **Projects:**
    - Repaired trail at UNITY park. Along with the PW crew, we diverted the trail around tree roots in order to save the trees and stop the trail from heaving due to roots.
    - We took the good sod from the trail diversion project and placed it at the cemetery where the grass was having struggles.
    - Coordinated Community Service projects – A group of 12 people from a local company donated their time to plant and cleanup around City Hall. We replaced plants that had died since the initial City Hall landscape was installed.
  - **Cemetery**: Prepared 6 burials and marked out 2 headstone locations for the monument company.
  - **Reservations**: Managed and followed up on over 100 pavilion, field, and building reservations, ensuring the parks and facilities were prepared for events like: Youth Baseball, Soccer, Celebration of Life events, Birthday Parties, Church groups, Special Events, Scouts, Company Picnics, Gender Reveals, Tennis Clinics, HOA meetings, Table Tennis, Campaign Events, and more.
  - **Citizen Requests**: Addressed community concerns, including vegetation pruning and watering, cemetery inquiries, trail maintenance, weed removal, garbage removal, water leaks, Bamboo removal questions, sightline issues, fire hazards, drainage issues, goose poop, mowing and beautification, and more.
  - **Seasonal Maintenance**: Weed control at all maintained properties. Mowing on Wednesdays and/or Thursdays. Tested Fire Lake for e-Coli levels (tests came back with acceptable levels), treated Fire Lake two times with Earthtec and Algicide. Raked the Fire Lake beach weekly.
  - **Playground Safety**: Conducted weekly inspections of all city playgrounds to ensure safety standards.

- **General Plan Implementation**
  - **Appendix D – Action Step #37 – Recreation Planning and Expansion –** ***The City will ensure that parks, trails, dog parks, and recreational amenities are maintained and expanded to meet community needs.***
    - We are conducting a community feedback survey to gauge public interest in adding lights to the skate park, which would extend the use of the facility until 10:00 pm each night.
    - I am working with Sunrise Engineering to update the Parks and Trails Master Plan Table VII-2 which would allow us to purchase the Fitness Way Park with 100% Impact Fee funds.

If you would like more information on any of the items in this report, please feel free to contact me anytime.

Respectfully submitted,
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Ivins City Parks and Recreation Director