

MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE  
RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD  
Wednesday, June 12th, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: A meeting of the Recreation Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at the Buena Vista Community Center, 715 E. Main Street, Buena Vista, Colorado. Char KcKenzie Lyle called the meeting to order at 7:31am.

Roll Call

Members present were co-chair Mckenzie Lyle, Marcus Trusty, Gary Crowder, Rick Bieterman, Dan Hamme, Danielle Ryan, and Ashley Davis Also in attendance was Recreation Director Earl Richmond, Program Coordinator Shane Basford, Assistant Ben Eichel, and Board of Trustee Lawanna Best (RAB Representative)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Dan moved to approve the May 2019 minutes, as written. Rick seconded the motion. Unanimous approval.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Gary moved to approve the June 2019 agenda. Rick seconded the motion. Unanimous approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

New Business

- I. Program Report: Shane
  - a. Youth Baseball games started after Memorial Day, TBall last Wednesday. Six teams this year meant we painted another field. Machine and Live play outside teams except Salida.
  - b. Adult Softball started with 11 coed and seven mens teams (up two coed Teams) with games last week. Mens team from Leadville this year in league
  - c. Girls SB with 42 participants. Two 10U teams, one big 14U/16U team that coaches will set games and players
  - d. Swim lessons started last week, next session in July, then more in July/August
  - e. Eight seasonal staff members- combination of new and rehires
  - f. Holly Wood (intern) running Paddle on Pond and Concerts in the Park
  - g. Spirit Trail Run during CKS Paddlefest support during race
  - h. Dance (Tues/Thursday Nights) with Bill Ridout has high turnout- over 20 participants per evening with huge age range
  - i. Spanish only offering Adult Class due to limited interest
  - j. Middle School Tennis starts today with Cindy Puckett six participants (free clinic) for six weeks, only one more spot left
  - k. Circus classes continue on Tuesdays, usually run outside with all three classes filled after upping enrollment size
  - l. Rockies Skills Challenge this Saturday at 0830 at Softball Field

- II. Rec Director Report Earl
  - a. New programs like Youth Baseball this year, worked to create systems and templates. Other agencies are asking if we can take on more programs
  - b. Holly (intern) looking to speak with Board Members this summer over coffee
  - c. Capital Improvement Projects
    - i. Flooring finally completed
    - ii. Painting will come in fall
    - iii. Skatepark- bid in for finish work
    - iv. Volleyball court- sand still on backorder until July
    - v. DPW has worked on Softball Field lights and underbudget
    - vi. Also working Tennis Court lights and field upkeep
  - d. Sponsorships keep coming in and program is being used. Reviewing protocols for program use to ensure widest use
  - e. Trail update
    - i. Nine Miles going in this summer
    - ii.
  - f. Volunteer Groups coming in this summer looking to give back to community. This week's group will clean up railroad road and then give performance of Friday
  - g. Events that have happened: CKS Paddlefest, Rodeo, Ride the Rockies, and more. Always looking to improve for next year. Was there additional income generated from Ride the Rockies? 3K donation to ElevateHER in addition to 3.5K stipend.
  - h. Salida Recreation hired Mike Post (HS Principal)
  - i. Possible marketing and youth program opportunities with Monarch through Kathryn Wadsworth next year
  - j. Holly created Instagram account for Recreation Department, already has over 180 followers
  - k. DPW will review workout equipment condition at Playground
  - l. Created new workorder system
  - m. Bus to Princeton update: last two weeks has seen low ridership. Possibly runs too early, stay at Princeton is too short (two hours), and suggested donation is \$5.

### Ongoing Business

- I. Board Pulse
  - a. 1A sales tax funding wildland mitigation and recreation. Recreation will only be 25% max of spending. Create recreation impact monitoring systems across country and will monitor for next year.
  - b. Recreation in Chaffee County is growing 20% a year
  - c. Rodeo on Saturday was packed and had great feedback. Sunday was not as crowded. Overall things went smoothly and a great deal of positive feedback. Only one complete bull ride out of 22 riders.
  - d. Burro Race at Gold Rush Days discussion. Challenges with funding, insuring, and location. Possibly use community fund but will need to present to Board of Trustees.
  - e. Next big town event is July 4<sup>th</sup> with fireworks, parade, and arts in the park

- II. 2019 Capital Projects Update
  - a. Budget discussions start in August
  - b. 2020 will be focused on Public Safety
  - c. Grants and Conservation Trust Fund availability
  - d. Need to discuss and rank upcoming projects and priorities- this should come from board- Come to next board meeting with list of ideas
  
- III. Recreation District Discussion- Survey and Gathering
  - a. Create annual survey to stay on top of community wants as well as educate community on current opportunities already offered. Also maybe have open house once a year. Need to keep getting idea of pulse of community. Add survey to website?
  
- IV. BV Summer Special Events
  - a. Focus events on non peak time events to preserve and grow existing events

ADJOURNMENT:

Mckenzie motioned to adjourn at 8:57am.

Respectfully submitted:

<sup>For</sup>  
McKenzie Lyle, Co-Chair

Ben Eichel, Recreation Assistant



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