

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE
RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**

Wednesday, February 15, 2023

CALL TO ORDER:

A special meeting of the Recreation Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at the Community Center, 715 E Main Street and remotely via Google Meets. McKenzie Lyle called the meeting to order at 7:35 am.

Roll Call

Members in attendance were Luke Urbine, Ashley Davis, Danielle Ryan and Trustee Devin Rowe (virtually via Google Meets), McKenzie Lyle and Rick Bieterman (in person). Also in attendance were Recreation Special Projects Manager Earl Richmond, Recreation Supervisor Shane Basford, and Recreation Coordinator Catelin Miles.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Danielle Ryan motioned to approve the agenda. Luke Urbine seconds and motion passes unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes

Danielle Ryan motioned to approve January minutes. Ashley Davis seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Public Comment

Nothing brought forward in public comment.

New Business

- I. Historic McGinnis Gym Renovation Update
 - a. Awarded the State Historical Fund \$250K, State Historic Tax Credits for \$806k grant.
 - b. Shooting for 2024 school year operational.
- II. Rec Staffing & Office Location Update
 - a. Hired Annie Carlson as facility assistant @ 32 hr/week. Role could expand immediately and help with BOT meetings etc.
 - b. When the PD moves into the new building, we will move a few offices over to "Town Hall East". Likely Earl, Leslie and Annie.

Ongoing Business

- III. Recreation Staff Report Discussion
 - a. Hired Annie Carlson!
 - b. Update on Billy Cordova park. If we get \$750k from GOCO, it would be easier to get smaller grants from other agencies, hence the urgency of the GOCO grant. Full build of the park/trail is \$1.26 Million
 - c. Pocket wave recap. Tweaking the design due to the Salida wave, which updates the cost. Women of the Waves are helping with fundraising. OEDIT Grant applied for with Salida to help with river parks in both towns. Asked for \$400k, awarded \$150k between BV and Salida. Town of BV will receive \$75k to help with projects (bridge, bathrooms, boat ramp and Rock n' Roll Trail)
 - i. Small lot of 5-6 cars could go in on Arkansas Street by the Walton Loop
 - d. Combined parking lot behind the old NewBees and next to Elementary school.

- i. This could serve both APE and Town. Could also assist with ADA access to Walton Loop Trail. Parking issues with more apartment buildings/condos going up and less parking.
 - e. How do we develop trails to connect The Boulders and Arkansas Development to our River Park?
 - i. Can we reconsider the percentage allocated during planning process?
 - f. 2023 upgrades to McPhelmy Park Stage. Electricity, shade structures, parking, etc, coming in the spring.
- IV. Billy Cordova Memorial Park Updates
 - a. January 26 Community Meeting Recap
 - b. GOCO and other Grant Update
 - c. Subdivision & Rezoning Process
 - d. No Park Meeting for February 16, just waiting to hear from GOCO.
- V. Future Financing for Capital Projects: lodging tax, special district, etc. – Research Block
 - a. We have not reached out to Jeff Parker, attorney for Town. BV Rec will reach out to him, and we can circle back in March. Updated Master Plan will help write the narrative for future projects and funding. Jeff will help us navigate the options available for funding.
- VI. Board Pulse
 - a. Trustee Devin Rowe – Approved water allocation policy. Still trying to figure out a water ordinance. Discussed the parking option with the school. Working with the County on a groundwater study. Approved a liquor permit for the new coffee/breakfast spot at La Vista. At a previous BOT meeting, the Chicago Ranch Master Plan was approved.
 - b. Rick Bieterman
 - i. Boys and Girls Club update. Earl mentioned an architect is working on a plan. Should be similar in size to DPCA with an elevated walking track.
 - ii. Story walk, can we get a commitment from town for \$2,000 to help with Story Walk? Rick wants to get some grants written by March.
 - c. Ashley Davis – Track season starts in a few weeks.
 - d. Luke Urbine
 - i. Train from Oil wells in Uintah Basin in Utah to a refinery in Louisiana. Hearing in Utah March 9, speculation is 5 trains a day both ways. This could push other traffic down through BV. This would reactivate the tracks from Pueblo through Eagle County.
 - ii. Water update, the basin is read through the higher elevation all the way through the lower basin, entire Ark Basin is at 80%. However, at the northern part of the valley we are over 100%, but we aren't looking spectacular.
 - e. Danielle Ryan – State championships for State Skiing is Feb 16 and 17.
 - f. Mckenzie Lyle – Article on more art rec programming was good.

Next RAB Meeting: Wednesday, March 15, 6:00-7:30pm

ADJOURNMENT: Mckenzie Lyle motioned to adjourn at 9:06am.

Respectfully submitted:

Mckenzie Lyle, Chair

Catelin Miles, Recreation Department

