

Parks Improvement Advisory Board

August 9, 2007

Item 1: Meeting Called to Order by Chair Bernie Goss at 7:33 a.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Bernie Goss
Doug Thomason
Ron Rowley
Lena Elliott
Sue Gormley (Ex-Officio)

Board Members Absent: Steve Acquafresca

Stadium Committee: Bruce Hill
Steve Phillips
Jamie Hamilton
Joe Stevens

Stadium Members Absent:

Parks & Recreation Staff Present: Joe Stevens, Director
Don Hobbs Hobbs, Assistant Director
Tressa Fisher, Administrative Specialist
Shawn Cooper, Parks Planner

Guests: Erik Van De Boogaard

Item 2: Approve Minutes

Doug Thomason moved to approve the July 26, 2007 Parks Improvement Advisory Board minutes. Jamie Hamilton seconded.

Motion adopted by Parks Improvement Advisory Board: Yes 6 No 0

Item 3: Stocker Stadium Turf – Progress Report from Kiewit Building Group

Erik Van De Boogaard, Kiewit's Director of Business Development reported the synthetic turf project at Stocker Stadium is currently on schedule. Mr. Van De Boogaard stated Kiewit Building Group (KBG) will have the field done on time as promised, barring any major setbacks. Erik Van De Boogaard said KBG water tested the field last night and plans to begin installing the green turf material by the end of the day. Mr. Van De Boogaard said KBG plan to begin installing the numbers and hash marks as early as next week. Eric Van De Boogaard reported on the additional staff KBG has hired to ensure they meet the timeline and said Co-Creations also requested

assistance and is now receiving additional labor from Sprint Turf. Mr. Van De Boogaard stated the two organizations, Co-Creations and Sprint Turf, who happen to be competitors, have the same goal in mind and are working very well together. Joe Stevens stated, while the Parks & Recreation Department has always been concerned with the timeline, they are confident KBG will complete the project on time, stating KBG has really put their resources forward in the last 10 days. Mr. Stevens also discussed the additional layers recently installed. Due to the volume of games that are already scheduled for Stocker Stadium, Sprint Turf suggested the extra layers be installed to help protect the turf. Doug Thomason asked if the additional layers are going to affect the cost. Erik Van De Boogaard said the price will remain the same, stating KBG has promised a product and is going to deliver that product. Mr. Van De Boogaard stated the only variance in the total price will be for the soil conditions, as originally agreed upon. Shawn Cooper stated there has only been one significant change (upgrades to track and field venues) and a few minor modifications made, but the changes to the original plan have been minimal. Lena Elliott asked Ron Rowley if the School District intends to build a football field when they build additional high schools in the Grand Valley. Ron Rowley responded the School District is discussing the possibility of creating their own league, which would prevent additional games and will reduce the expense of teams traveling to the Front Range (with the exception of championship games). Shawn Cooper reported on the status of the goal posts, stating he is currently attempting to have a hydraulic ram placed inside that will allow staff to expand the posts without using heavy equipment, hopefully preventing the possibility of damaging and/or wearing a path in the turf over time.

Item 4: Stocker Stadium Synthetic Turf "Ribbon Cutting" Celebration Plans

Traci Altergott reported on the preparations for the synthetic turf ribbon cutting and dedication. Ms. Altergott stated Recreation staff has been working closely with Bronco's Representative Kelly Woodward in planning the event. Traci Altergott stated Pat Bowlen, along with two Broncos football players, plan to attend the September 25, 2007 celebration. Ms. Altergott stated, while the plans are still in the early stages, she is fairly certain the dedication will start at Noon and will end around 12:45 p.m. and will possibly include lunch. Traci Altergott stated Kelly Woodward has requested as many football players as possible attend the event and that they wear their team uniforms. Mrs. Woodward has specifically requested the attendance of all four high school's teams, the high school cheerleaders, Mesa State College's team, and two teams from the Mesa County Junior Football Association. Traci Altergott stated Kelly Woodward is very excited about the event, and is currently working with School District #51 on excusing the football players and cheerleaders from school for the program. Ms. Altergott said the Broncos organization also plans to hold "Gatorade Clinics" on the new field prior to the dedication, which will be free clinics hosting approximately 200-400 kids. Shawn Cooper reported he has been working with Kelly Woodward on the installation of a dedication monument and flag pole. Mr. Cooper stated the monument will be located near the front ticketing entrance in the Southeast corner. Shawn Cooper said he has contacted Carlson Memorials, in hopes of obtaining a cost estimate and timeframe. Mr. Cooper stated the Broncos organization has a \$10,000 budget for the monument and will be funding the entire cost. The monument will be 10 – 12 ft wide and will include the Bronco Community Fund and NFL Youth Football logos. The monument will also include the phrase "Grand Junction, Colorado...This is Bronco Country!" (See attached illustration) Shawn Cooper stated the Broncos flag pole will be located on the North end of the field. Joe Stevens requested direction regarding whether or not to list Mesa County on the monument as a contributor. Discussion ensued. The Board members approved the list of contributors as is and agreed not to

list Mesa County on the monument, stating the County did not contribute to the Stocker Stadium artificial turf project.

Jamie Hamilton moved for the Parks & Recreation Department to continue with the Bronco monument and flag pole plans as proposed. Ron Rowley seconded.

Motion adopted by Parks Improvement Advisory Board: Yes 6 No 0

Item 5: Other Business

No other business was discussed.

Item 6: Next Meeting

No future meeting date was set at this time.

Item 7: Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tressa Fisher
Administrative Specialist