

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

July 20, 1994

Called to order by Chairman Jamie Hamilton at 11:55 a.m.

Item 1

Roll Call

Board Members present:

Frank Dunn
John Gormley
Jamie Hamilton
Dr. Lynn James
Dennis King
Karen Madsen
Keith Mumby

Members not present:

N/A

Staff present:

Joe Stevens, Director
Ray Coca, Rec. Superintendent
Lynda Lovern, Rec. Superintendent
Keri Bailey, Rec. Secretary

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES - JUNE

A motion was made by Keith Mumby to approve the minutes for the month of June.

Seconded by Dennis King.

Approved: Yes 7 No 0

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RIVERFRONT COMMISSION REPORT - DR. JAMES

The new members of the Riverfront Commission are Paul Nelson, Pat Kennedy and J. Kennedy.

Wade Haerle of Club 20 talked to the Commission about Club 20's efforts to link Western Slope trails in a network. Most felt Club 20 could be a strong voice to Go Colorado for our area.

Fruita's City Manager John Schneiger gave a report on Fruita's trails.

The land transfers for Blue Heron II are not all completed.

The levy at Watson Island was discussed, and they need to plan for the trail on top of the levee. There is still the issue of comingled waste.

The City and State trails are well kept. The County needs to work on their sections.

The Riverfront Commission has received a bill for \$5,000 from the City for the porta potties on the Riverfront Trails. The Commission thought they were to donate \$5,000 in 1993 only. This issue needs to be worked out.

A meeting will be set up between the City Council and County Commissioners to discuss the Riverfront Trails.

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DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Joe Stevens told the Board that \$15,000 was expended out of contingency funds to clean up the fire at Watson Island. They were able to clean out some of the debris and fix grades.

Joe said he is happy to be here. It will take him some time to get to know the issues. The parks development/ recreation center issue will entail a lot of work. The public needs a lot of information before they vote.

Joe told the Board he is meeting with all of the Parks and Recreation Department employees. He was amazed at how much the

employees enjoyed working for the Department. He said the fairways at the golf courses are excellent for a municipal golf course.

Dennis King told the Board he and Joe met on the task force. Dennis plans to finish up calls soon, and will get the list to Joe. The first meeting will be set up for the end of August. Dennis said he thinks our original deadline of April-1995 may be extended to November-1995 or April-1996.

Joe told the Board that Winston Associates will be under contract for the design and concept of the seven parks. We will be putting signs at these sites that say "future park site".

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PUBLIC FORUM

Subine Wedekin (2656 Little Bookcliff #203, 245-2994) was present to tell the Board she was in support of an ice rink and recreation center. Subine is very active with Colorado West Mental Health, CASA, and Mesa County Coalition on Disabilities. Subine asked if she could be on the parks development/recreation center task force. Dennis King told Subine there will be sub-committees for the task force, and we will contact her.

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BOARD COMMENTS

The Board welcomed Joe and let him know they are very supportive.

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NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on August 24th. If any of the Board members have agenda items, they need to contact the office as soon as possible.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Bailey
Parks and Recreation Board Secretary