

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Minutes

March 15, 1995

Called to order by Chairman Jamie Hamilton at 11:53 p.m.

ITEM 1 ROLL CALL

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

Members not present: n/a

Staff present: Erik Joe Stevens, Director
Lynda Lovern, Rec. Superintendent
Doug Jones, Golf Superintendent
Don Hobbs, Parks Manager
Keri Bailey, Secretary

ITEM 2 MINUTES-FEBRUARY 15, 1995

John Gormley moved and Dennis King seconded a motion to approve the minutes for February 15, 1995.
Approved: Yes 7 No 0

ITEM 3 DISCUSSION WITH GRAND JUNCTION COMMISSION ON ARTS & CULTURE

Ursula Hemmerich, Janne Kilgore, Richard Leinaweaver and Allison Sarmo of the Grand Junction Commission on Arts & Culture introduced themselves to the board. Allison Sarmo explained to the board that they do not organize events, but support organizations who do. Allison explained they are funded by the City Council and do receive some small grants. She said they would like to help facilitate art in the parks.

Joe Stevens said he would like for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and Arts Commission to work together whenever possible. He said the park at 26 1/2 and H Road is designated as a passive park with perhaps some artwork in the park. The Arts Commission will be asked to serve as a resource during the design process.

ITEM 4 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION ON GUIDELINES FOR NAMING OF CITY PARKS AND OTHER FACILITIES

Jamie Hamilton told the board a subcommittee met to discuss the guidelines for naming and renaming city parks and recreation facilities. The group agreed on the following criteria and procedures:

The following criteria shall be considered:

- 1) Neighborhood or geographical identification.
- 2) Natural or geological features.
- 3) Historical or cultural significance.
- 4) The individual or entity who has donated substantial monies or land or has been otherwise instrumental in the acquisition of the property.
- 5) The articulated preference of residents of the neighborhood surrounding the public facility.
- 6) Facilities shall not be named for a living person; however, exceptions may be considered when a significant contribution of land or money is made and the donor stipulates naming the facility as a condition of the donation or when an unusually outstanding public service would so justify.

The following procedures shall be followed for naming/renaming of City parks and other City facilities:

- 1) The City shall solicit suggestions for names from organizations and individuals. All suggestions, whether solicited or independently offered, shall be acknowledged and recorded by the City.
- 2) The City Council, following review and recommendations and public

meetings by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, shall determine the name for City parks and other City facilities.

- 3) There shall be a lapse of at least twelve (12) months between the date of the death of the person(s) or of the event commemorated and the issuance of the final Committee recommendation of the proposed park name.

Dennis King moved and Keith Mumby seconded a motion to accept the criteria and procedures for naming and renaming city parks and facilities.

Approved: Yes 7 No 0

ITEM 5 MATCHETT PROPERTY DISCUSSION

Joe said he has been approached by several board members about the Matchett property. He said some dialogue has taken place with Ken Matchett and he is not in a hurry to market the property. Joe asked if the board wants to pursue this property for a recreation center site.

The board felt this site would be ideal for a recreation center (20-30 acres) and encouraged continued negotiations. They also thought it would be a good idea to solicit options on additional property for future expansion needs.

John Gormley moved and Keith Mumby seconded a motion to recommend the Matchett property as their first choice for a recreation center site.

Approved: Yes 7 No 0

ITEM 6 REQUEST FROM WHEEL CHAIR SPORTS FOUNDATION TO UTILIZE TENNIS COURTS IN LINCOLN PARK

Lillian Brawer of the Doris Denker Wheelchair Sports Foundation was present to ask the board for cosponsorship to use the Lincoln Park Tennis Courts. Their group provides instruction, clinics and tournaments to wheelchair bound participants. Last year they hired someone to show up at the courts early to save three of them. The group is requesting that three courts be reserved from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on 4/8, 4/22, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 6/3, 6/10 and 6/17.

John Gormley moved and Keith Mumby seconded a motion to cosponsor the Doris Denker Wheelchair Sports Foundation so they may reserve three tennis courts at Lincoln Park from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on 4/8, 4/22, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 6/3, 6/10 and 6/17.

Approved: Yes 7 No 0

ITEM 7 CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Resolution number 23-95 amending general capital improvement plan in order to fund \$6.6 million in park development costs during the years 1995 through 1997.

- b) Resolution number 21-95 authorizing and directing the purchase of 80 acres of land by the cip fund from the golf course fund.

The board said they felt this resolution should state that the 80 acres are to be used for golf course expansion. Jamie Hamilton said he would write a letter to the council about this so they have something written to refer to in the future.

- c) Matchett Farm - letter from Pauline Bynum

- d) Colorado Lottery proceeds distribution estimate

ITEM 8 MONTHLY STAFF REPORTS

Keith Mumby asked Doug Jones to report on the number of golf passes sold periodically.

Don Hobbs said that vehicles are driving on the riverfront trail by Mountain Hotsy. They will work on installing a fence in that area.

Don said the barn renovations are almost complete.

Jamie Hamilton said the baseball fields are getting chewed up.

ITEM 9 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 19.

ITEM 10 ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 12:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Bailey
Administrative Secretary