

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Minutes

April 19, 1995

Called to order by Chairman Jamie Hamilton at 11:50 p.m.

Item 1 Roll Call

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

Members not present: Frank Dunn

Staff present: Erik Joe Stevens, Director
Don Hobbs, Parks Manager
Lynda Lovern, Rec. Superintendent
Shawn Cooper, Parks Planner
Marcia Klaas, Intern
Keri Bailey, Secretary

Item 2 Minutes-March 15, 1995

John Gormley moved and Dennis King seconded a motion to approve the minutes for March 15, 1995.
Approved: Yes 6 No 0

Item 3 Park Development Program Status Report

Joe Stevens introduced Shawn Cooper, the department's new park planner. Shawn said he was glad to be here and if anyone has any questions or concerns to call. Joe explained that Shawn will be assisting with the park development projects, redevelopment projects, trails and related city projects and programs.

Joe Stevens informed the board that Winston and Associates have been recommended to the City Council for rehire for final design and construction management for the sports complex at 24 and G Road. The advisory board concurred with that recommendation and voiced appreciation for the work Paul Kuhn of Winston and Associates accomplished with the task force.

Item 4 Arbor Day

The Arbor Day Celebration will be held at the Lincoln Park Barn on Friday, April 28. The children's activities will begin at 9:00 a.m. and adult education booths and a free tree give-away will be held from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Item 5 Discussion on naming of parks

Joe Stevens informed the board that Marcia Klaas has been working on a contest to name some of our new parks. Joe said we have discovered that the park at 26 1/2 & H Road will be named Saccomano Park consistent with the sales/purchase agreement.

Marcia told the board the contest will be open to anyone and the first prize may be a beach party at Lincoln Park-Moyer Pool. Marcia said she hoped City Market will sponsor the contest for other prizes. Lynda Lovern will be working on this project after Marcia leaves.

Discussion took place and the board decided the contest should be held for the parks at 24 & G Road, Orchard Mesa and 12th Street.

Item 6 Correspondence

a) Riverside and Sherwood Park observances

Marcia Klaas has been working on these dedications which will be held on April 29th. The Riverfront shelter dedication will be held at 9:30 a.m.

The Sherwood Park dedication in honor of the new concrete pathway and trees donated by the Rotary Club will be held at 10:30 a.m.

Jamie Hamilton thanked Marcia for her efforts.

b) Resolution number 39-95 amending resolution 21-95 authorizing and directing the purchase of 80 acres of land by the city's CIP fund from the golf course fund.

c) Correspondence regarding trails along canals.

Dr. James gave a Riverfront report and said the Spanish Trail grant was denied.

The Urban Trail Committee will be chaired by Pat Kennedy and Paul Nelson.

A grant from the Bureau of Reclamation is available for the study of urban trails. The grant is for \$10,000 if the City and County both donate matching funds of \$5,000 each. Joe Stevens said the focus of the study will be between Spring Valley and Paradise Hills. Joe said the City's matching funds will be the personnel cost of Shawn Cooper who will be working on this project as well as other staff supplies and materials.

Corn Lake Trail will be ready by June 1.

The Riverfront is concerned about trail monitoring, but commended the City Parks for their cooperation.

Joe Stevens said we received a \$30,000 grant from Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) to continue trail work at Watson Island. The match is the levee project.

A volunteer trail clean up day is scheduled for the 29th of April.

John Gormley asked if a Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Member should continue to attend the Riverfront Meetings. After discussion the board decided that Dr. James will continue to attend the meetings.

- d) Letter to Chuck Howell authorizing conditional use of 4 tennis courts from April 3 - May 4
- e) Mesa State College expansion/growth plan
- f) Mesa County/City of Grand Junction Cultural Facility Inventory
- g) Letter from Great Outdoors Colorado
- h) Thank you from Curtis Swift to Mike Vendegna
- i) Thank you from Tom Easterling to Two Rivers
- j) Letter to Sam Suplizio, Chairman of JUCO
- k) Letter to golf focus group participants

Item 7 Monthly Staff Reports

Item 8 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 17.

Item 9 Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Bailey
Administrative Secretary