

# Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Minutes

**March 27, 1996**

Called to order by Chairman John Gormley at 12:00 p.m.

## **Item 1 Roll Call**

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

Members Not Present: Frank Dunn

Staff Present: Erik Joe Stevens, Director  
Shawn Cooper, Park Planner  
Lynda Lovern, Recreation Supervisor  
Gail Woodmansee, Sr. Admin. Secretary

## **Item 2 Minutes - February 21, 1996**

Jamie Hamilton moved and Keith Mumby seconded a motion to approve the February 21, 1996 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board minutes.

Approved: Yes 6 No 0

## **Item 3 Public Comment**

Western Slope Aeromodeler Club.

Club members present: Bob Swoboda, 3069 Grossbeak Court, Carl Shoup, 3172 Glendam Drive, John Kizzicara, 2768 Compass Drive and David Hunsicker, 404 E. Aspen, Fruita.

The Aeromodelers have been issued a permit for use of the practice field area on Wednesdays and Sundays. A tennis player submitted a complaint about the noise level associated with the flying of the planes and that the use was not compatible with tennis or other activities held in Lincoln Park. The Aeromodelers stated that their activity is compatible and that most planes have mufflers. According to the Aeromodelers, there was a plane flying without a muffler and that may have caused the complaint. Most of the planes do have mufflers.

The group consists of 22 members and 8 of them are junior members. The group is trying to promote their activity to young people. The smaller planes, usually purchased by first time flyers, do not have mufflers but are not loud. If a strict muffler restriction is placed on the group, kids will not be able to afford to participate.

The Aeromodelers will set up a sound level meter, measure the decibel level of the different planes and provide this information to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for further review.

At this time, the Aeromodelers will continue to be issued permits to fly from 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Sunday. They will not fly during tennis, track, horseshoe or golf tournaments.

#### **Item 4 Grants and Foundations**

Eileen Roggensack will be working with the Parks and Recreation Department in identifying potential grant funding sources for Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and Council consideration. A "Common Grant" application will be the next item to fill out and then we can proceed in applying for additional grant awards.

It is important to the Denver organizations offering grant dollars to demonstrate community support and a "buy-in" from local agencies. It is also important to get to know the "funders"; put them on our mailing lists as we'll need to sell our product. It is better for board members to go after the funds instead of staff in order to show outside support and commitment.

The area high schools have grant dollars available through the El Pomar foundation and five grant requests have been submitted for Canyon View Park. Joe Stevens made a presentation to Palisade High School, the students were enthusiastic about the project and we should be contacted later this month.

#### **Item 5 Legacy Project Update**

The final Colorado Riverfront Greenway Legacy Project grant application was submitted. The grant requests \$11.4 million (total estimated project cost-\$26 million) and includes projects from Fruita to Palisade. The committee was asked to prioritize the projects but felt that the entire project should be considered and that the prioritization will take place after funding amounts are announced. The total requested amount of the six finalists is \$60+ million and the amount available this round is considerably less.

The GOCO Board will be in Grand Junction April 19 to tour the sites then a group of local committee members will go to Denver for a two hour presentation the first week in May.

On a related subject, the Urban Trails committee will be making a presentation to the City Council on Monday, April 1 detailing their progress to date.

#### **Item 6 Impact Fee Discussion**

Parks and Recreation Department staff met the Home Builders Association to discuss the Parks Development Impact Fee and proposed changes. Currently, the \$225 assessed per unit is low in comparison to the actual cost of park development and when compared to other communities.

Keith Mumby's practice represents some of the Home Builders Association members and will put together some background information on their position and concerns. John Gormley and Karen Madsen will serve on a committee to meet and discuss changes in the fee and how/when it should be collected.

#### **Item 7 Canyon View Park**

The groundbreaking ceremony for Canyon View Park/Sports Complex will be Thursday, March 28, 10:30 a.m.

#### **Item 8 Correspondence**

The Avalanche football organization have changed their request to one game in late July and staff feels this would not be a problem. The organization has not submitted anything in writing at this time.

The conflicts with the Grand Valley Water Users needs to be resolved and according to Keith Mumby, it's time to work from the top down as it is not working going from the bottom up. The Bureau of Reclamation has stated that the public has a right to access/use the canal banks.

**Item 9 Monthly Staff Reports**

No comments.

**Other Business**

Dennis King will be working on the Scott McGinnis campaign this summer/fall and will not have the time to be Chairman as scheduled. J ohn Gormley will continue as Chairman for another term.

**Item 10 Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for April 17, 1996.

**Item 11 Adjourn**

Meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Woodmansee  
Sr. Administrative Secretary