

## Parks & Recreation Board Meeting July 17, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

**Board Members Present**:

Board Members Absent: Broadwater County (BC) Staff Present: Guests: Adam Six, Chairman; Stacy Sommer, Member; Lacey Forrey, Member Jennifer Dalrymple, Member; Israel Schwope, Member Lindsey Richtmyer, Commissioner Liaison Tanner Stapley, Eagle Scout, John Hahn, Tim Pool

Secretary:

Aubra Lewis, Administrative Assistant

60 % of the Board members present and accounted for. Quorum reached for start of meeting.

## **Regular Meeting**

- 1. Adam Six called the Public Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. All who were present were asked to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Public Comment on Items Not Included on Agenda
  - a. No public comment.
- 4. Approve Minutes
  - a. Lacey had a question about Old Business comments being carried over from the previous meeting.
  - b. Lacey made a motion to approve the minutes. Stacy seconded.
    - i. No further discussion.
    - ii. Motion *carried*.
- 5. Old Business
  - a. City of Townsend Website
    - i. Donation Update
      - 1. Still only have \$20.00. Hoping to have more donations after the Slice of Summer on Thursday and the news article promotions.
  - b. Holloway Park Gazebo
    - i. Nearing completion
    - ii. Twenty-two pallets of sod were laid
    - iii. Next step is a path City Council decided on using blocks so they are moveable. Adam has an invoice for electric to put lights in there. A question was asked about getting a cost share on the blocks. Discussion was had about how to pay for the blocks and sod. The cost for pathway, blocks around the pavilion, and sod will be \$3600. It was decided to further look at the hard numbers, see how much money we have, how much we get for donations, and reimburse STOKE.
    - iv. Stacy moved that we spend \$2,000 towards sod and blocks for the Holloway Park Pavilion. Lacey seconded.
      - 1. No discussion.
      - 2. Motion carried.
  - c. Connor's Field Infrastructure
    - i. No update Adam will confirm left hand bathroom door direction with Israel and email Missoula Concrete back.

- d. Swimming Pool Enhancement/Sustainability
  - i. No new information
  - **ii.** Discussion was had on the pool; how it is currently being funded, the current condition, where the new pool will be, geothermal heating to reduce operating costs, how it relates to a community building, and who will be maintaining a pool after it's built. Also, making sure the pool/community building is accessible to kids by walking or riding bikes.
  - **iii.** Next step is to research some surrounding pool projects (Browning) to find out more information. Possible money-making ideas were discussed (memorial donations, grants, PILT, Broadwater Trust Board Adam will get on their agenda for next month to share the information gathered so far and discuss a preliminary plan).
- e. Folf Course/Dog Park
  - i. No update at this time.
- b. YMCA still working with them
  - i. CARB Community Advisory and Research Building Community add to YMCA on the agenda from now on
  - ii. Boys and Girls Club was discussed as an option. Tim Pool will contact Bryce Hines for more information.
- c. Centerville/Mill Rd. Survey for 10-acres
  - i. Tanner Stapley Working on his Eagle Scout presented his plan for putting some multi-use trails in on the 10-acre plot, starting with the access road off Mill Road. He will turn that into an approach into the property. This will help establish an access point for trucks to bring in gravel for the trails. It will come along the fence line. Tanner will take the first portion of the system with other Boy Scouts adding a section. His advisor is the one who designs the access points for the highway department. Tanner will seek out donations for the project.
  - ii. Adam moved to support Tanner in his efforts. Lacey seconded.
    - 1. Discussion Lindsey asked if this would work in with Jennifer's plan. It will. This plan will get us across the ditch. No permit will be needed. Point of contact for Tanner's project will be both Stacy and Jennifer.
    - 2. Motion carried.
    - 3. Adam asked about tires from Graymont. We will wait until later.
    - 4. Trail will be broken into sections. Black Butte in White Sulphur may have tires as well.
    - 5. Lindsey will ask TJ to use county equipment.
    - 6. Other ideas for this property were an airsoft gun or paintball course.

## 6. New Business

- a. Land and Water Conservation Fund
  - i. Ideas were swimming pool, extra baseball or softball fields.
  - ii. Lindsey asked about the fund. It comes from oil drilling funds. Stacy explained the fund. They match 50/50.
  - iii. Nicole also has a catalogue of grants for trails as a resource.
  - iv. Adam mentioned the pool is a 3–5-year project and the Connor's field might be something to look at first since we already have money in that and could ask for matching funds.
  - v. Adam and Israel will write it.
- 7. Comments from the Floor
  - a. Tim Pool Shakespeare in the Parks July 28th, 2023 at 4:30 at Heritage Park
  - b. John Hahn Trails MBT Harrison to Fairgrounds trail is estimated the project to be over \$2,000,000. Discussion for funding, resources, and matching.
  - c. Adam suggested potential swimming pool project poster to hang up at Fall Fest with a tip jar.
  - d. John Hahn suggested Myrna Pools pool construction.

- e. Stacy Sommer Idea to call the Broadwater in Helena and Geothermal Specialist to get information
- 8. Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Flynn Building.
- 9. With no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Aubra J. Lewis, Administrative Assistant

Date

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Approved:

Adam Six, Chairman