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MINUTES

ARROWSTONE PARK BOARD

The Arrowstone Park Board met in regular session on Wednesday, October 19, 2011 at 4 PM in the Powell County Courthouse's Conference Room.

Members Present: Dennis Finco, Martin Krautter, Larry Rennfield, and Sandy Salisbury

Members Absent: Patty Cowan

County Commissioner: Donna Young

Staff: Brian Bender

Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

President Salisbury called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

Agenda Item #2 – Roll Call

A quorum was established with the presence of four Members.

Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Minutes

- a. Vice-President Rennfield moved, with Member Finco seconding, to approve the September 21st Minutes as submitted. The Board approved the motion through a vote of four to zero.

Agenda Item #4 – Public Hearings

None.

Agenda Item #5 – Regular Business

- a. Review & approval of repair work to the gazebo and kiosks
Member Finco announced the Fire Crew will start the work during the first week of November. The work will consist of replacing the gazebo's posts and braces and stripping and repainting the kiosks. Although, the painting portion of the work will likely occur in the spring.

Vice-President Rennfield confirmed the Fire Crew will have access to the County's generated and air compressor.

Member Finco continued by saying the estimates for the work is approximately \$600, and the Park Board will need to provide a lunch to the Fire Crew. The Board agreed such a lunch should cost about \$100.

Member Krautter reiterated the Fire Crew does excellent work as demonstrated by his church sign.

b. Arrowstone Park fencing and gates update

President Salisbury gave the Board an appraisal of the work and noted the fencing is complete.

Member Krautter questioned if the fence posts need staining?

President Salisbury responded that the posts will last twenty plus years due to the dry climate as well their tops being pointed to shed snow.

c. Relocated Garrison Bridge

President Salisbury met with Museum officials and they explained the bridge is intended to carry the River Trail over the Clark Fork River just north of the Prison.

Member Finco gave brief history of the relationship between the Museum and the Park Board regarding the bridge, and the \$16K financial commitment the Board provided to the Museum to assist with the relocation of the bridge to Deer Lodge.

The Park Board proceeded to have a general discussion concerning the bridge and its value with the existing and proposed trail network.

d. Johnson Creek Trail update

Planning Director Brian Bender explained the revisions to the Johnson Creek Trail. He continued by describing possible modifications to the Outdoor Education Center as proposed by Matt Vincent and Chris Laity during a recent site visit. The described changes need to go to the Montana Natural Resources Defense Program for consideration and subsequent approval since the agency awarded the grant.

Member Krautter moved, with Vice-President Rennfield seconding, to have Planning Director, Brian Bender to proceed with the Johnson Creek Trail revisions and submit the necessary documentation to the State. The Board approved the motion through a vote of four to zero.

e. Financial report

Commissioner Young gave a summary of the September activity. As of September 30th, the Park Board had a balance of \$27,566.34.

f. Approval of expenditures

President Salisbury announced there were no recent purchases.

g. Arrowstone Park Capital Improvements & Long Range Plan

President Salisbury started the discussion by explaining there is a need for additional signage especially to warn of the need to pick up dog wastes, highlighting interesting locations, identifying fishing access, and the overall plan of the trail network.

Member Krautter questioned if there is a need for signage to advised visitors to drive from one side to another to avoid them walking on the road?

Commissioner Young asked of the ownership of the land on the eastside of the Park?

Vice-President Rennfield responded by describing the location of his property in relation to the Park.

Commissioner Young stressed the importance of establishing ownership of any tract of land before spending money on its improvements.

Member Finco mentioned the bridge uprights will require replacement in the near future.

The Board entered into a general discussion regarding the trail damage behind the Prison and the need to stabilize the segment before the winter.

Member Krautter moved, with Vice-President Rennfield seconding, to have Chris Laity inspect the trail segment and provide the Park Board with short-term fixes or solutions. The Board approved the motion through a vote of four to zero.

The Board entered into a discussion concerning surface drainage to the west of Main Street and south of the Prison in the immediate area of the *Little Joe* locomotive. Member Finco said a culvert in the area is possibly plugged.

Member Krautter accepted a friendly amendment to his previously stated motion by Vice-President Rennfield to have Chris Laity inspect the drainage situation as well as the trail damage.

The amended motion now reads as follows – Have Chris Laity inspect the damaged trail segment and provide the Park Board with short-term fixes or solutions, and check the surface drainage in the area to the west of the railroad display. The Park Board approved the amended motion through a vote of four to zero.

Commissioner Young advised the Board to be mindful of the expenses incurred by an engineer.

Member Finco raised concerns regarding the quality of the mowing and weeding done by the Museum staff.

President Salisbury confirmed she will inspect the mowing and weeding and make the Museum aware of any problems.

Agenda Item #6 – Board Members & Committee Reports

None.

Agenda Item #7 – County Commissioner's Update

None.

Agenda Item #8 – Staff Reports & Informational Items

None.

Agenda Item #9 – Public Comments

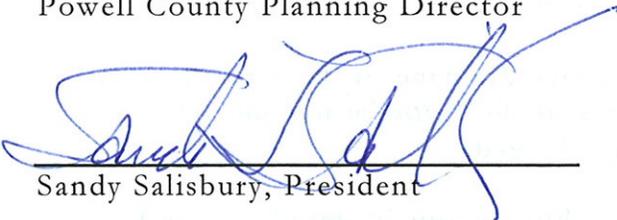
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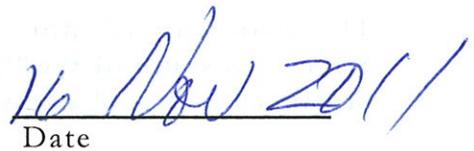
Agenda Item #10 - Adjournment

Vice-President Rennfield moved, with Member Finco seconding, to adjourn the meeting. The Board approved the motion through a vote four to zero.

President Salisbury declared the meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brian P. Bender, AICP
Powell County Planning Director


Sandy Salisbury, President


Date