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MINUTES

ARROWSTONE PARK BOARD

The Arrowstone Park Board met in regular session on Wednesday, May 16, 2012 at 3 PM in the Community Center (*a scheduling conflict with the Courthouse's Conference Room required the Park Board to convene in the Center*).

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

Members Absent: None

County Commissioner: Donna Young

Staff: Brian Bender

Guests: Brian Bartkowiak
Darryl Barton
Jeremy Mickey
Gary Swant

Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

President Salisbury called the meeting to order at 3:11 PM.

Agenda Item #2 – Roll Call

Three Members being present established a quorum.

Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Minutes

Member Krautter moved, with Member Finco seconding, to approve the March 21st Minutes as submitted. The Board approved the motion through a vote of three to zero.

Agenda Item #4 – Public Hearings

None.

Agenda Item #5 – DEQ & TerraGraphics presentation of a sampling approach for Arrowstone Park

Brian Bartkowiak of the Montana Department of Environmental Quality explained the purpose of his returned to the Park Board and gave a brief overview of the work Jeremy Mickey from TerraGraphics completed since their last session before the Board.

Jeremy Mickey noted he conducted the fieldwork and pointed out several keys on a May 10th map. He continued by summarizing a May 14th memo for the benefit of the Board and described the fieldwork sets the format for a sampling plan.

Member Krautter asked if the Park should be burned?

Brian Bartkowiak responded by saying it is best to wait as the ideal conditions to burn have elapsed. Furthermore, he suggested the Park Board should have a future use plan for the Park.

Member Finco expressed concerns regarding any burning action.

Brian Bartkowiak reassured the burn season is over and he is willing to schedule a tour of the area the burned last year at the Grants – Kohrs Ranch.

President Salisbury asked why there was no sampling in the *triangle*?

Jeremy Mickey explained there was no evidence of Park users in the area.

Brian Bartkowiak confirmed not every site will require remediation.

The Park Board held a general discussion regarding the references to Arrowstone Park found in the Record of Decision (ROD).

Darryl Burton presented copies of the ROD's pages to the Board.

Brian Bartkowiak described the interaction between the EPA and the DEQ, and each agency's responsibility with the Clark Fork River Superfund Project. He continued by explaining how the DEQ will start the process and documentation the Park Board will receive – such as an access agreement.

Brian Bartkowiak confirmed fieldwork will start this fall.

The Park Board entered into discussed the sampling approach and the Board speculated if an extreme numbered is encountered, if the County will need to close the Park.

Member Krautter asked about the history – was previous sampling done?

Darryl Burton acknowledged Park users who have exposure to areas with the highest concentrations are not at risk.

The Park Board through consensus agreed to have DEQ to summarize the intended work at the Park with a memo and submit it to the Board for their review and consideration.

Agenda Item #6 – Regular Business

a. Financial report

President Salisbury distributed the April 30th document to the other members.

The Park Board discussed the need to purchase replacement benches.

Member Finco moved, with Member Krautter seconding to approve the purchase. The Board approved the motion through a vote of three to zero.

b. Approval of expenditures

None.

c. Trail repairs (as previously discussed)

The Park Board conversed of the measures to retain a contractor to repair the trail with an emphasis to employ a local company.

Member Krautter stated the trail has a hole on the southern segment, and brush clearing is still necessary. He is willing to lead the clearing and pruning effort.

Member Finco raised concerns regarding the need to reduce the encroachment of vegetation on the trails.

Member Finco moved, with Member Krautter seconding to have the Park Board purchase growth inhibitor. The Board approved the motion through a vote of three to zero.

Gary Swant inquired of the possibility of lowering the waterway on Larry's property via a headgate to improve the habitat for shorebirds.

The Park Board agreed to meet on May 25th at 9 AM to inspect the Park and create a list of repairs and maintenance items.

d. Locating the handicapped accessible fishing pier

The Park Board will identify potential sites for the pier on their forthcoming tour.

e. Employing a land surveyor

The Park Board discussed the services needed from a surveyor.

President Salisbury intends to contact Everly & Associates for additional information.

Agenda Item #7 – Board Members & Committee Reports

President Salisbury confirmed Ron Kennedy submitted a letter of resignation from the Park Board. He cites the main reason for the resignation being his interest to work with the City's kid athletic leagues.

Agenda Item #8 – County Commissioner's Update

Commissioner Young noted Gary Swant appears willing to serve on the Park Board. The County Commissioners need to formalize the appointment and prepare a verifying letter.

Agenda Item #9 – Staff Reports & Informational Items

None.

Agenda Item #10 – Public Comments

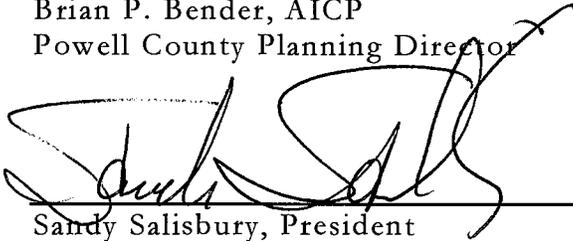
None.

Agenda Item #11 - Adjournment

Member Finco moved, with Member Krautter seconding, to adjourn the meeting. The Board approved the motion through a vote three to zero.

President Salisbury declared the meeting adjourned at 4:50 PM.

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



Sandy Salisbury, President

20 June 2012
Date