



# Planning Department

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## MINUTES

### ARROWSTONE PARK BOARD

The Arrowstone Park Board met in regular special session on Wednesday, January 30, 2013 at 3 PM in the Courthouse's Conference Room.

**Members Present:** Lyle Gillette, Martin Krautter, Sandy Salisbury, & Gary Swant

**Members Absent:** Dennis Finco

**County Commissioner:** Donna Young

**Staff:** Brian Bender

**Guests:** Brian Bartkowiak, & Karen Laitala

#### Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

President Salisbury called the meeting to order at 3:03 PM.

#### Agenda Item #2 – Roll Call

Four Members being present established a quorum.

#### Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Minutes

Member Swant moved, with Member Krautter seconding, to approve the December 19<sup>th</sup> Minutes as submitted. The Board approved the motion through a vote of four to zero.

#### Agenda Item #4 – Election of Vice-President (one-year term)

President Salisbury explained how Larry Rennfield held the office until his resignation and the Board never filled the vacancy.

Member Swant expressed an interest in serving especially as the Vice-President does not automatically become the President, however in a limited capacity.

Member Gillette moved, with Member Krautter seconding, to nominate Member Swant as Vice-President. The Board approved the motion through a vote of four to zero.

**Agenda Item #5 – Public Hearings**

None.

**Agenda Item #6 – Regular Business**

a. Financial report

The Park Board reviewed the report showing a balance of \$19,220.04 as of December 31<sup>st</sup>.

b. Approval of expenditures

None.

**Agenda Item #7 – Brian Bartkowiak of MT DEQ**

Brian Bartkowiak distributed maps and explained what they illustrate. He continued with a summary of the human health risk established for the Park as described in the Record of Decision and that as a recreational area, the standards are fine. Also, he is waiting for the snow to melt to be able to check ground conditions.

Member Swant asked why not test for copper.

Brian Bartkowiak responded by saying copper is not consider a human health concern.

Member Krautter asked if signs are necessary.

Brian Bartkowiak responded by saying signs are not necessary.

Brian Bartkowiak explained the EPA's involvement with the process.

President Salisbury asked if DEQ's final report will describe all this.

Brian Bartkowiak responded by saying yes.

Member Swant asked if DEQ is satisfied with the results and why is there a variation in metal counts.

President Salisbury asked if the report will include the complaint from last summer.

Brian Bartkowiak noted the case is closed.

Member Gillette commented on the size of the potential flood to deposit all these metals.

The Park Board entered into general discussion regarding the historic flood.

Brian Bartkowiak explained the County's Weed Program's budget will receive less funding from the EPA. He noted that DEQ will ensure the continuation of spraying at the Park.

Karen Laitala described her efforts to spray as much of the Park as possible and one way is the use of boat to get the areas landward from the River.

Karen Laitala noted the Weed Board sprayed the Park in 2009. She is also unsure of future spraying due to the potential cut in EPA's funding.

Karen Laitala said the funds are there until the end of March, however spraying is done in June.

Brian Bartkowiak recommends spraying twice in the spring and once in the fall. He is willing to coordinate with Karen to have the Park sprayed three times a year and have Karen spray the shore from the boat.

Brian Bartkowiak acknowledged the spraying is for the entire Park.

President Salisbury asked about spraying to control weeds along the trails.

Karen Laitala explained the Weed Board is not responsible for that type of spraying since it is non-state listed.

#### **Agenda Item #8 – Donated Vault Toilets**

President Salisbury provided an update and an explanation of the costs associated with the mileage (\$800 per vault).

Member Swant questioned the need for two toilets since the Board only has a use for one. Maybe the Board can store the second toilet until a use becomes apparent.

Member Swant suggested that member Gillette can ask City officials if they need one.

President Salisbury proposed the use of the County crew to dig the hole for the vault.

President Salisbury noted if the City is interested in the toilet they should be prepared for an outlay of approximately \$2K.

Member Swant moved, with Member Krautter seconding, for the Park Board to proceed with acquiring one vault toilet for use at the boat launch. The Board approved the motion through a vote of four to zero.

#### **Agenda Item #9 – Proposed Trail Distances Map**

Planning Director Bender explained due to other office commitments, he was unable to make the revisions. He continued by announcing that Member Swant provided names for the trails.

#### **Agenda Item #10 – Board Members & Committee Reports**

Member Krautter commented that the accumulation of dog waste is getting worse at the Park.

Member Swant theorized that maybe the problem is not getting worse but the waste does not decompose as quickly during the winter.

The Park Board entered into a general discussion regarding the lack of enforcement.

Member Swant stressed the need to educate the public through a newspaper article.

President Salisbury received a confirmation from the Fire Crew that they will paint the structures in June.

President Salisbury explained that MT DOT have the signs illustrating the presence of a trail.

Member Krautter asked if the new pavilion will have a paved trail to assist users with mobility concerns.

President Salisbury responded by saying no since a paved trail provides access to the original pavilion.

Member Krautter said he spoke to J.R. at the City and he is happy with the current conditions at the Park.

Member Swant suggested that when the trail work occurs at the Park the contractor can relocate the existing sign.

The Park Board held a general discussion about the sign and the possibility of adding a second sign face.

#### **Agenda Item #11 – County Commissioner’s Update**

None.

#### **Agenda Item #12 - Staff Reports & Informational Items**

President Salisbury will try to get an article in the newspaper regarding the survey results and inform the public that the Board will do a follow-up survey.

President Salisbury noted the February agenda will have entries relating to the service / maintenance contract with the Museum.

The Park Board expressed an interest to return to long-range planning themes in February.

President Salisbury questioned the fellow members of how they preferred to receive public complaints. The members agreed they want to see complaints sent to the Planning Office first.

#### **Agenda Item #13 – Public Comments**

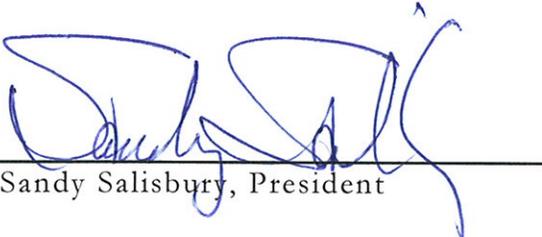
None.

#### **Agenda Item #14 - Adjournment**

Member Krautter moved, with Member Swant seconding, to adjourn the meeting. The Board approved the motion through a vote of four to zero.

President Salisbury declared the meeting adjourned at 4:25 PM.

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



Sandy Salisbury, President

20 Feb 2013  
Date