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MINUTES

ARROWSTONE PARK BOARD

The Arrowstone Park Board met in regular session on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at 3 PM in the Courthouse's Conference Room.

Members Present: Jim Anderson, John Porter, & Gary Swant

Members Absent: Bob Rase, & Bob Stone

County Commissioner: Donna Young

Staff: Brian Bender

Guests: Jill Alban, & Chris Laity

Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

President Swant called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

Agenda Item #2 – Roll Call

Three Members being present establish a quorum.

Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Minutes

Member Porter moved, with Vice President Anderson seconding, to approve the February 19th Minutes as presented. The Board approved the motion through a vote of three to zero.

Agenda Item #4 – Public Hearings

None.

Agenda Item #5 – Regular Business

a. Financial Report

The Park Board reviewed the report showing a balance of \$22,533 as of January 31st.

Vice President Anderson moved, with Member Porter seconding, to approve the Financial Report as presented. The Board approved the motion through a vote of three to zero.

- b. Approval of expenditures
None.

Agenda Item #6 – Jill Alban - Clark Fork Coalition

President Swant introduced Jill Alban from the Clark Fork Coalition.

Planning Director Bender gave an overview of the most recent planning effort through the MDNRC Planning Grant as well as the involvement from MDEQ.

Jill Alban explained her reason for attending the meeting and how Kascie Herron, the Clark Fork Coalition's Big Sky Watershed Corps member will assist the Park Board with public engagement during the planning process.

President Swant described the Park's facilities.

Vice President Anderson noted the effort to link existing and proposed trails.

Agenda Item #7 – Chamber of Commerce Sign Agreement

President Swant summarized the situation and noted the letter sent to the Chamber of Commerce asking them to provide the Board with a reply.

Planning Director Bender described the intent of the letter and how the situation proceeded since November.

Vice President Anderson asked how important it is to have the agreement.

President Swant suggested drafting another letter asking them to attend the next meeting.

Vice President Anderson agreed to meet with Bob Toole to seek a resolution.

Agenda Item #8 – Town Pump Sign

Planning Director Bender summarized the condition.

President Swant realized there is a need for a letter to revisit the property swap option with Larry Rennfield.

The Park Board discussed the merits of the sign presence in the Park.

President Swant wants to see a letter composed to Larry Rennfield determining his interest in a land swap.

Agenda Item #9 – Maintenance Agreement

President Swant recapped the issue and confirmed John O'Donnell has given the Park Board up to 90 days or until the Board secures a new maintenance contractor.

President Swant explained his comments regarding the snow removal on the trails.

Member Porter expressed the need to get a contractor as soon as possible.

The Park Board discussed the contents of the existing Agreement and the tractor / mower that the County owns as per the Agreement.

President Swant verified the County's liability insurance covers the maintenance contractor.

Chris Laity suggested putting forward a bid notice.

President Swant agreed to revise the Agreement.

Planning Director Bender will compose the bid advertisement.

Agenda Item #10 – Bylaws Amendment

Planning Director Bender explained the revisions.

County Commissioner Young explained the Commissioners have the responsibility to approve the revisions.

Planning Director Bender noted he will get the revisions before the Commissioners in early April.

Agenda Item #11 – Board Members & Committee Reports

None.

Agenda Item #12 – County Commissioner's Update

County Commissioner Young provided a quick summary of the County's budget.

Agenda Item #13 – Staff Reports & Informational Items

a. Park Master Plan

Chris Laity highlighted the Park's features on the aerial.

Chris Laity explained he will have Amy Chadwick of Great West Engineers will conduct a wetland delineation when the vegetation starts growing.

Planning Director Bender noted how the plan will assist MDEQ with their remediation efforts at the Park.

The Park Board generally discussed future options for the Park including: (1) A small overnight campground; (2) A performing arts venue; and (3) Public access to the Clark Fork River.

Vice President Anderson noted the Park and the adjacent roads need improved cycling facilities.

Agenda Item #14 – Public Comments

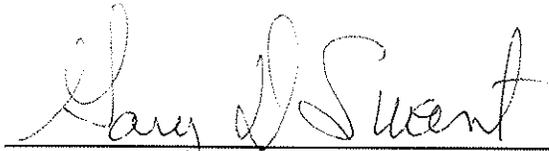
None.

Agenda Item #15 – Adjourn

By consensus, the Park Board adjourned the meeting at 4:23 PM.

President Swant confirmed the next meeting is on April 16th at 3 PM.

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



Gary Swant, President



Date