



Planning Department

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MINUTES

ARROWSTONE PARK BOARD

The Arrowstone Park Board met in regular session on Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at 3 PM in the Courthouse's Jury Room.

Members Present: Jim Anderson, John Porter, Bob Rase, Bob Stone, & Gary Swant

Members Absent: None

County Commissioner: None

Staff: Brian Bender

Guests: None

Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

President Swant called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM.

Agenda Item #2 – Roll Call

Five members being present established a quorum.

Agenda Item #3 – Election of Officers (President & Vice President)

Member Stone moved, with Member Porter seconding, to maintain Gary Swant as President and Jim Anderson as Vice President. The Board approved the motion through a vote five to zero.

Agenda Item #4 – Approval of Minutes

a. December 17th

Member Stone moved, with Member Rase seconding, to approve the December 17th Minutes as prepared. The Board approved the motion through a vote of five to zero.

Agenda Item #5 – Public Hearings

None.

Agenda Item #6 – Regular Business

a. Financial Report

Planning Director Bender summarized the Report and noted the recent expenses associated with the quad.

The Park Board reviewed the December 31st Report showing a balance of \$10,512.93.

Member Porter moved, with Vice President Anderson seconding, to accept the Report. The Board approved the motion through a vote of five to zero.

b. Approval of expenditures

None.

Agenda Item #7 – Condition of Quad Plow

President Swant explained the situation with the plow and described the recent modifications to the winch. He continued by saying the mechanic identified the original was defective and replaced it with an upgraded unit. He had a battery tendered installed as the winch's power draw exceeded the battery's strength. Also, there is a need to replace a broken foot guard and he added a shovel to use on the bridges.

President Swant noted the plowing speed should not exceed 10 MPH.

Agenda Item #8 – Park Maintenance Oversight

President Swant asked if a Member wants to take on the responsibility of maintenance.

Vice President Anderson asked if that is Zak Tindal's job.

Planning Director Bender noted Mr. Tindal has limited hours per day and that limits his time for maintenance.

Agenda Item #9 – Land Swap Update (Commissioner's Letter)

Planning Director Bender explained the purpose of the letter composed by Commissioner Young to have County Attorney start a legal review of what is necessary the swap. He continued by describing the status of the proposed swap with the Mr. and Mrs. Forsons and Larry Rennfield both agreeing to the swap. The Forsons have requested the County to install a culvert and access.

Agenda Item #10 – Board Members & Committee Reports

The Park Board discussed the need to place a storage shed at the Park. The Board raised concerns with security.

The Park Board discussed the locking of gates at night.

Member Stone noted the Police Department has problems with locks freezing.

The Park Board discussed the need to obtain an all-weather lock. Member Stone will ask the locksmith for available options.

President Swant will ask MT DOT officials if they will allow a storage shed on their property.

Vice President Anderson described his recent conversation with a FW&P official regarding river access possibilities.

President Swant suggested Vice President Anderson provide Mr. Bender with the contact information of the official as a means to follow up.

Planning Director Bender explained how the Park Board can put together a NRDP proposal to receive funding for public access to Clark Fork River.

The Park Board discussed the recent situation with the installation of two utility poles in the Park.

Planning Director Bender acknowledged he submitted a sign template to the Montana State Prison Sign Shop.

Agenda Item #11 – County Commissioner’s Update

None.

Agenda Item #12 – Staff Reports & Informational Items

a. Master Plan Update

Planning Director Bender updated the Park Board on the status of the project. He continued by saying Chris Laity announced that Renee Lemon is resigning from Great West Engineering. GWE will try to fill vacancy as soon as possible, if not they will subcontract the project to a professional planner.

Planning Director Bender asked volunteers to collect information for use in the planning process.

Member Rase agreed to investigate gateway signage.

Vice President Anderson agreed to review the proposed plant list prepared by GWE.

Member Stone agreed to research options for benches and tables.

Agenda Item #12 – Public Comments

None.

Agenda Item #13 – Adjourn

President Swant announced the date and time of the February meeting as the 18th at 3 PM.

The Park Board through consensus adjourned the meeting with President Swant noting the time as 4:30 PM.

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



Gary Swant, President

02/18/2015
Date