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MINUTES

ARROWSTONE PARK BOARD

The Arrowstone Park Board met in regular session on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 5:00 PM in the Courthouse's Conference Room.

Members Present: Gary Swant, Julie Croglio, Andy Fischer, Bob Rase

Members Absent: Kyler Noel

County Commissioner: Doug Crachy

Staff: Carl Hamming, Tammy Corrigan

Guests: None

Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

President Fischer called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM.

Agenda Item #2 – Call to Order

The Board met with four members present, therefore a quorum was established.

Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Minutes

January 16th

Member Rase made a motion that was seconded by Member Swant to approve the minutes as submitted. The Board approved the motion through a vote of four to zero.

Agenda Item #4 – Financial Report

Commissioner Crachy informed that Board is in decent financial shape with 4.5 months remaining in the fiscal year.

Agenda Item #5 – Public Hearings

None.

Agenda Item # 6 – Regular Business

a. Billboards

Member Rase displayed the two concepts for the billboards near Arrowstone Park. The Board offered some general suggestions. The Town Pump sign will be used for advertising events and special features of Deer Lodge and may also have temporary banners with specific dates for upcoming events. Member Swant made a motion and it was seconded by Member Rase to

financially support the Chamber of Commerce's efforts with advertising features/events on the Town Pump board. The Board voted four to zero to commit some amount of financial support. The Chamber will hear back on February 22 if they received a grant for their entrance sign to Deer Lodge.

The Board also discussed sprucing up the landscape around the Town Pump sign with improved landscaping and trees. Perhaps the donated saplings will fit the area beneath the board. The Board is also following up with metal design work for the Arrowstone signs.

b. PCHS Arrowstone Park Day

Member Rase stated that the workday will take place on April 16th during the morning. Arrowstone Park will have 15 students and the Johnson Creek Connector will have five students committed. Member Rase and Mr. Hamming will meet in March to discuss work projects for the students along the Johnson Trail.

c. Johnson Creek Connector

The signs from the prison arrived and look good. They will be installed this spring as well as posts or gates that will restrict motorized access. Member Rase will get a quote from the fencing contractor who is doing some nearby work for the Chamber. Additional improvements will be made by the PCHS students. The agreement with Mr. Fickler still needs to be established and will likely take some time to work out with the County Attorney. Therefore, the Board discussed having Mr. Fickler sign an MOU with the County while the easement language is determined.

d. Old Yellowstone Trail

Mr. Hamming stated the County should own the property by the end of the week. Mr. Hamming has a meeting set for February 22nd with the DNRC to discuss Section 16. Talks with the NPS are going well, but the processes required to allow access indefinitely still need to be determined. Mr. Hamming has a meeting set in mid-March with the State and Great West Engineering to determine funding for the trail improvements. Mr. Hamming hopes that after this meeting, the County will receive professional designs for the improvements and concepts for the trail that will be useful for unveiling to the general public. The Board still intends to host a public outreach meeting to discuss the vision as well as set up a meeting with Rock Creek Cattle to discuss the trail concept.

e. BACI

Mr. Hamming informed the Board that the City took the lead this year and submitted an application with members from the Deer Lodge Valley. The results should be announced in late February or early March.

Agenda Item # 7 – Approval of Expenditures

None.

Agenda Item #8 – Park Visitor Count

Mr. Hamming did not have a count, but the counters need work and cleaning in the spring.

Agenda Item # 9 – County Commissioner's Update

The County signed off on the paperwork for the closing on the Branning property.

Agenda Item # 10 –Staff Report & Informational Items

Tammy discussed her belief that someone is tampering with the shed at the Park. The Board suggested she get a new padlock and continue to monitor the equipment for damage or theft.

Agenda Item # 11 – Scheduling of Next meeting

The next meeting will be March 21st.

Agenda Item # 12 – Public Comment

None.

Agenda Item # 13 – Adjourn

President Fischer ended the meeting at 6:10 PM.

Andy Fischer, President

Date