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MINUTES

ARROWSTONE PARK BOARD

The Arrowstone Park Board met in regular session on Tuesday, January 16, 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

Guests: None

Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

President Swant called the meeting to order at 5:02 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

December 20th

Member Rase made a motion that was seconded by Member Croglio to approve the December 20th 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 that no major expenses were submitted in the past month and that the Board is in strong financial shape.

Agenda Item #5 – Public Hearings

None.

Agenda Item # 6 – Regular Business

a. Board Membership/Positions

As the annual meeting, Board positions expired at the end of the calendar year. Kyler Noel was officially sworn in as a city councilman and appointed to the Powell County Parks Board and replaced Bob Stone. Mr. Swant made it clear that he wanted to remain on the Board, but felt it was time for him to step down as president after numerous years as president. Member Swant

made a motion to nominate Member Fischer as the President of the Board and was seconded by Member Rase. The Board voted four to zero to declare Mr. Fischer as President. President Fischer made a motion to nominate Member Croglia as the Vice President and was seconded by Member Rase. The Board voted four to zero to declare Ms. Croglia as the Vice President of the Parks Board.

b. Town Pump Billboard

Member Rase stated that he is waiting on the design from the prison, but is hoping to have it shortly. Members Swant, Rase and Croglia will meet with Ms. Julie Schroder to establish a joint team that will organize the design and implementation of the two billboards along Arrowstone Park. President Fischer reminded the Board that the County Parks Board needs to remain involved in the oversight of what's displayed and marketed on the billboards. There is still a possibility that one of the signs will have space for a revolving advertisement for special, non-profit events occurring in Deer Lodge. Another idea is to advertise the Parks and Trails system of the greater area.

c. Spring Events

Mr. Hamming thought it prudent to discuss upcoming events and issues of the spring. Member Rase was going to follow up with the high school about securing roughly 15 students for a cleanup day in the park. Member Rase also said that he and Mr. Denty will finish the last bit of sandblasting and then apply the varnish to the gazebos. Ms. Corrigan raised the idea of having a metal sign fabricated that displayed the Arrowstone name and logo rather than having to repaint the old wood sign. The Board also discussed the possibility that someone was plowing the east side trail and needs to be stopped if it continues through the winter. Mr. Hamming will also follow up with the local individual who is interested in donating a tree to the Park as the planting shall coincide with the high school work day at the Park.

d. Johnson Creek Connector

President Fischer said he is waiting on the signs from the prison. Mr. Hamming didn't have any updates on the Trail. Additional improvements will be required in the spring when the trail is officially opened. The agreement with Mr. Fickler still needs to be established. The Board discussed having an article in the Silver State Post publicize the opening of the trail.

e. Old Yellowstone Trail

Mr. Hamming updated the Board on the potential acquisition. The Restoration Council meeting is scheduled for January 26th. If approved, the NRDP said that it should only take a few days to close the transaction, though the Governor's signature is required. Mr. Hamming is meeting with Great West Engineering next week to discuss specific improvements and potential costs for things like vault toilets, fencing, new decking, and parking lots.

The Board also discussed hosting a public meeting to discuss the vision of the trail and how it will be used. It will be useful for the Board members and the Trails Committee members to hear the public comments. At the February meeting, the Board will likely need to vote on the types of use permitted on the trail.

The Board also discussed the name of the trail. Ideas include involving the Old Milwaukee as well as the Yellowstone Trail. It would be great to incorporate the old Garrison bridge if possible and connect the history of the bridge with the Yellowstone Trail.

f. BACI

Mr. Hamming informed the Board about the BACI conference and workshop taking place in May. Mr. Hamming will consult with the City and see if it is worthwhile submitting a team application with the focus being the Main Street Master Plan with specifics like pedestrian crosswalks.

Agenda Item # 7 – Approval of Expenditures

None.

Agenda Item #8 – Park Visitor Count

Mr. Hamming did not have a count.

Agenda Item # 9 – County Commissioner’s Update

DPPHS is closing their office in the County Courthouse. There is office space available for rent.

Agenda Item # 10 –Staff Report & Informational Items

Tammy discussed the potential that someone is tampering with the locks at the Park. The idea was discussed and thought it best to change the combination on the lock and continue to monitor the tools and machines being stored at the Park.

Agenda Item # 11 – Scheduling of Next meeting

The next meeting will be February 21st.

Agenda Item # 12 – Public Comment

None.

Agenda Item # 13 – Adjourn

President Fischer ended the meeting at 6:05 PM.

Andy Fischer, President

Date