

"Creating a Community Legacy through Parks and Recreation"

Special Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, January 8th at 6:00pm Eagle County Building, El Jebel, CO
Pinion Room

Board Members: Robert Hubbell, Kirk Schneider, Tim Power Smith, Jennifer Riffle

<u>Staff Present:</u> Becky Wagner, Nate Grinzinger

Lawyer Present: Mary Elizabeth Geiger

<u>Public Present</u>: Diana Elliott, Brad Elliott, Bernie Grauer, Scott Condon, Jacqui Whitsitt, Toni Kronberg.

Bonnie Scott is present over phone.

6:00 Meeting called to order

Tim would like to speed up the process instead of waiting a month to approve the PR proposal. Mary Elizabeth says we can call a separate meeting to address the proposal. The board agrees to meet next week.

Jenn motions to table the PR proposal to the next meeting. Second by Robert. All in favor.

6:02 Rotation of board positions

Tim Power Smith: Chair Kirk Schneider: Vice Chair

Robert Hubbell: Treasurer until May Jen Riffle: abstains from being treasurer

6:05 Resolution regarding posting locations

Mary Elizabeth Geiger resolution states that all notices for the district will be posted on the district website.

Motion by Robert to approve the resolution setting the posting place for the district as the CMPRD website. All in favor.

6:15 Public Comment

Diana Elliott is here to thank us for the help with Basalt tennis and all the improvements. Dianna is passing out fundraiser cards for Basalt tennis on February 22nd.

Brad Elliott is here to express the support of restoring the forest service buildings due to the high cost of building in the valley he feels that letting a building deteriorate is not a smart use of funds.

Bernie Grauer uses the park every day. He is here to disagree with moving forward on any form of a recreation center. He feels any spending on a recreation center would not align with campaign promises. He is under the impression the board is heading down an ill-considered path. He urges the board to start a public process to gain public opinion.

Jacqui Whitsitt asked if the board is recording board meetings. She asks that the board records meetings for the future.

Toni Kronberg feels it is very important to keep the trust of the public. She feels the board should be as transparent as possible. She thinks the board should increase the public comment timing and feels that any guest should speak as long as they please. Town of Basalt has hired a pool consultant. She will lobby for anything that isn't completed at Basalt to be completed at Crown. She thinks there needs to be another pool in the mid valley.

6:25 Executive session to receive legal advice from the District's attorney, pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b), regarding the Communications Policy, Procurement Policy and Open Records Policy

Kirk motions that the Board move into executive session to receive legal advice from the District's attorney, pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b), regarding the Communications Policy, Procurement Policy and Open Records Policy, inviting all Board members, Rebecca Wagner and Mary Elizabeth Geiger.

Bonnie seconds this motion. All in Favor

Executive session concludes, regular board meeting opens back up at 6:47pm

6:35 Communications policy, SDA Procurement policy, & Open records policy

Consider adoption of the Communications Policy

Jenn motions that we take no action and keep the chair as the spokesperson of the district. Robert seconds. All in favor.

Bernie Grauer supports the policies written word. He feels it is extremely important that the public be informed about spending on any studies or facilities.

Consider adoption of the SDA procurement policy.

Robert motions for Crown Mtn Park to adopt the SDA Procurement Policy. Kirk seconds. All in favor.

Consider adoption of the Open Records policy.

Jenn motions to approve the Open Records Policy. Robert seconds. All in favor.

6:50 Election Resolution for District elections this spring.

Board Moves to consider the adoption of the election resolution. Robert wants to designate an Election Official that is not a staff member. Becky commented that the next elected officials will be a 3-year term.

Robert motions to appoint Jon Erickson as the designated election official. Kirk seconds. All in favor.

7:00 Engagement Letter for the Audit.

Becky commented that our current auditor Todd has been doing our audit for 7 years and is priced correctly & trusted by myself and Marchetti & Weaver. Jenn thinks it is wise to change an auditor every so often. She felt the audit from 2019 was very basic and she is looking for more advice. Robert asked what information she is looking for so he can get specific answers. She will follow-up with Robert on specifics questions. Robert suggest that we simply ask the auditor for more detail and allow them to deliver our requests. Becky and Marchetti & Weaver feel it is too late in the year to look for a new auditor. The park can look at putting out an RFP next fall 2020.

Robert motions to approve Beckstead & Co audit proposal. Kirk seconds. All in favor.

7:15 Approval of December 11,2019 Minutes

Jen would like to make the correction on 1st amendment comment. Jenn would also like the comment striked by Becky regarding the amount of money it has cost the district taxpayers regarding private meetings between an elected official and constituents. Jenn doesn't recall Becky saying these comments during the last board meeting.

Mary recommends going through the past minutes with a recorder. December minutes have been tabled to the special meeting January 16th.

7:20 Approval of payables and petty cash Kirk moves to approve the payable. Robert seconds. All in favor.

7:30 Executive Director Update

Toni would like an updated parking plan for the back area of the bike park. Becky replied that we are working with a company to provide a parking plan. Toni wants to avoid using all the land for a bike park when there could be a pool.

Waiting on a response from Red Cunningham with Helpers restoration regarding the cost to abate the buildings. The asbestos testing turned out positive. I have instructed staff to stay out of the garage buildings due to the asbestos spills.

Barker Rinker Seacat is waiting on an official response about the location for designs now that the board is looking at the abandoned buildings by the park offices. Becky said, after seeing the price tag for a new facility at Crawford Properties, we felt our research was complete and we were not willing to move forward with the Fieldhouse. Becky said she decided to move the focus to the abandoned buildings by the bike park as they are currently a safety issue as they are falling apart and full of asbestos. The park will spend money to see what asbestos mitigation costs and what a renovation could look like and what it would cost since demolishing the buildings would be more expensive then renovating.

Becky and Robert would like to get back to talking about what is going on at the park as lately, the meetings have been overtaken by policies and procedures.

8:50 Adjourn

Robert motions to adjourn 8:08. Kirk seconds. All in favor.