

# "Creating a Community Legacy through Parks and Recreation" March 11, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes Eagle County Building

Board Members Present: Tim Power Smith, Kirk Schneider, Robert Hubbell, Bonnie Scott.

**Staff Present:** Becky Wagner, Nate Grinzinger

<u>Public Present:</u> Andy Putnam (CMPRD Park Maintenance Supervisor), Leroy Deroux, Tim Braun, Ted Bristol, Scott Condon, Mary Elizabeth Geiger (Crown Mtn Park Lawyer)

6:00	Meeting called to order
	Motion to approve agenda by Bonnie. Kirk seconds. All in favor.

# 6:02 Public comment for items not on the agenda (3-minute limit)

NONE

## 6:05 Approval of Meeting minutes from January 16<sup>th</sup>

Kirk motions to approve the minutes. Bonnie seconds. All in favor.

# 6:10 Approval of January payables.

Motion by Bonnie to approve. Kirk seconds. All in favor.

## 6:15 Approval of Mission & Vision of Crown Mountain Park.

**Mission**: Provide year-round, broadly accessible, multigenerational health and wellness programming that best serves taxpayers, residents, and visitors.

**Vision:** Create an environment for our community to connect and play.

Kirk motions to approve the Mission & Vision. Bonnie seconds. All in favor.

## 6:40 Executive Director Update

Tim asked if there are any conflicts with tennis and BMX races. Becky replied she has notified the tennis community about BMX race nights.

Andy Putman who manages Crown Mtn Park maintenance feels we have an opportunity that fell into our lap with the old tree farm buildings to become a storage location for all the park equipment. He feels this is really important to maintaining park assets and create a safe environment for staff.

Becky feels the price tag associated with renovation versus building a new building is definitely worth us exploring this opportunity. The building would need to be added to

our lease with Eagle County. Tim asked what amount of the 6000 sq feet we would need to use.

Andy feels we could use the entire space. Kirk asked if we would need to amend the budget. Becky replied that we will need to amend the budget if we want to pursue this project in 2020 and will know direct costs next meeting.

For the main tree farm building there are height limitations to what the building could offer. The space could serve soccer, lax, baseball, senior services, events, kids camps, etc. The back area closer to the river with low ceilings is 7000 sq feet. This ceiling height is even lower then the main area of the building. We have had meetings with Pitkin Cty Senior Services to see what needs they may have in space towards the back of the building. They are very interested in a working to together with Crown Mtn Park and Eagle County to look at the potential uses of this building for intergenerational use.

Bernie Grauer is here to make public comment on the abandoned buildings. He is a weekly user of the facility. He feels this park is one of the premier parks in the state. He has no objection to researching what it would cost to get the old buildings up and running for recreational purposes. He feels we should focus on risk management side of the coin. Bernie thinks our current policy of \$2MM umbrella should increase due to the increase in liability of taking on the new bike park. He thinks the useful life of the old building is passed and there are many potential liabilities associated with making this facility a youth center. Bernie also likes the idea of a youth and senior facility. He feels we should move forward on researching a brand-new youth and senior recreation center that fits the needs of the community and isn't restricted by the abandoned building layout.

Becky replied that currently our insurance company is looking at adjustments to the insurance policy with additions of the new bike park.

Tim Braun asked if there has been any formal determination that the building is passed its useful life?

The board replied that no information they have received that has said that building is passed its useful life.

7:00 Meeting Adjourned at 6:56pm.