

## "Creating a Community Legacy through Parks and Recreation" September 9, 2020

**Board Members Present:** Bonnie Scott, Kirk Schneider, Leroy Duroux,

Staff Present: Becky Wagner, Nate Grinzinger, Andy Putnam

Consultants Present: Marc Diemer, Stephen Ellsperman, Jon Erickson

**Public Present:** Toni Kronberg

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### 6:02 Approval of September 9, Agenda

Bonnie motions to approve. Leroy seconds. All in favor.

Toni Kronberg is here to request an update on the Forest Service land for sale. Becky mentioned that stakeholders have gotten together to discuss creating a charette for the property. We are waiting on a date to put information together for the public.

### 6:05 Approval of August 12th Board Meeting Minutes

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

### 6:10 Approval of August 12th payables.

Leroy moves to approve the payables. Bonnie seconds. All in favor.

### 6:15 Budget

Jon Erickson is on the phone to talk about the financials for 2020 & 2021.

Jon mentioned COVID-19 has affected our revenues for programming and property tax it is currently down 62k in 2020. The bike park sponsors helped decrease those revenue losses by 45k. On the flip side our expenditures on special events has saved the district 52k, therefore changes in programming has had an insignificant impact on park financials in 2020.

The bike park capital project is 36k over projected expenditures. Becky mentioned they found additional sponsorships to make up for those expenditures.

The garage storage was an unexpected expenditure for 2021. The board felt it was important to create maintenance facilities for the park in the future. The small price tag for renovations on a 4500 sqft building made it a project the board wanted to prioritize for this year.

Storage building renovations: The three rooms that will be heated will include a mechanical shop, wood shop, and staff meeting space. We are insulating and drywalling those three rooms to make those spaces efficient and encapsulate the asbestos in the walls. We are hopeful to save money in the bathroom by utilizing the existing leach field for sewer and utilizing the existing water lines that are connected to the old tree farm building. The staff meeting space will include a refrigerator, microwave, electric stove and cabinets.

Kirk open's the budget hearing for 2021 and consideration of amendment to the 2020 budget. This hearing will continue through October's board meeting for public comment.

#### 6:45 DHM Site Review

Stephen Ellsperman, Director of Ecology opened the discussion about the potential that Crown is capable of achieving through strategic planning and design communications. Marc Diemer, Principal with DHM, is explaining the current charette for the conceptual plan. Topics discussed include shade, way finding, parking, overall circulation of pedestrian and vehicular traffic, existing pond, expansion of wetlands & ecology, park pavilion with bathrooms & shade at soccer field, relocation of dog park, and potential splash pad.

Becky commented that the staff priority for 2021 is parking to address safety issues and fixing infrastructure around the pond and ditch. Staff is interested in continuing the initial vision to add multiple ponds. According to Mary Elisabeth Crown can increase its pond acreage by 2.2 acres. Andy Putnam spoke on utilizing the potential of the water rights to add a green highway in the ditch area. This will increase the ecology in the native area. He also wants to increase the efficiency of the ditch to serve the ponds in the future. He commented that we are being very responsible with our water use. Leroy asked if the elevation is appropriate for such a project. Becky replied that we are definitely capable of moving forward on this project. We have had water engineers conduct a survey on the pond and ditch area, it's feasible. We are currently working with a variety of partners to make this green highway ADA accessible. There are a variety of grants out there that we will begin to dive into to make this a possibility. As far as the parking, SGM is working on construction plans and will have an estimate for the parking project prior to our next meeting.

Bonnie questioned the flow of traffic in the second entry exit on the master plan. Stephen commented that the flow drove a lot of the design. That was a significant focus. Bonnie also asked about the pedestrian traffic heading down Valley road and how we can improve that. She commented that the current situation is not safe. Stephen is very excited about the challenge of taking care of the regional destination that Crown has become with safety & flow.

Toni would recommend that we speak with Annie Denver for philanthropy on the growth of riparian work. Toni also feels the traffic and current parking, needs to be addressed and safety improved. It was mentioned from Bonnie that the crossing from valley road to the playground is not the safest situation in the park and could be improved.

Leroy asked if we should look into leasing the mini excavator? He feels it might be a better option. Becky will look into both options moving forward.

# 7:40 Amended Lease Agreement with Eagle County for Forest Service Storage

Bonnie motions to approve the Amended Lease Agreement with Eagle County and authorize the signing thereof. Leroy seconds. All in favor.

# 7:45 Adjourn

Bonnie motions to adjourn at 7:45pm.