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Minutes of the Regular Meeting Of the Board of Directors

Vail Park and Recreation District dba Vail Recreation District April 14, 2016

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on April 14, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. at the Vail Town Council Chambers, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado.

1. MEMBERS PRESENT
 - 1.1. Kevin Foley, Bill Suarez, Kim Newbury
2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED
 - 2.1. Tom Saalfeld, Jeff Wiles
3. STAFF PRESENT
 - 3.1. Mike Ortiz, April Heredia, Jessie Klehfoth, Scott O'Connell, Julie Cotter, Maryann Oehlerking
4. OTHERS PRESENT
 - 4.1. Rodney Johnson, Vail Gymnastics Center team and parents
5. CONSULTANTS PRESENT
 - 5.1. Eric Weaver, Marchetti & Weaver, LLC
6. CALL TO ORDER
 - 6.1. Director Suarez called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
7. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES
 - 7.1. By motion duly made and seconded it was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2016 meeting, with Director Newbury abstaining due to her absence from the previous meeting.
8. PUBLIC INPUT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA
 - 8.1. Mr. Rodney Johnson introduced himself and stated that he is running for the VRD Board of Directors.
 - 8.1.1. Director Suarez asked if there was a nice celebration of life for Mr. Thomas Ruikka and if there would be another celebration this summer.

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- 8.1.2. Mr. Johnson confirmed that there would be another celebration in June, aiming for June 20, Mr. Ruikka's birthday.
- 8.1.3. Director Newbury wished Mr. Johnson good luck in the election.
9. RECOGNITION FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE BY OPTIONAL GYMNASTICS TEAM 2016
- 9.1.1. Ms. Julie Cotter, director of the Vail Gymnastics Center, and Ms. Maryann Oehlerking, head coach at the Vail Gymnastics Center, presented the Level 7 and 8 Vail Gymnastics Center team to the Board and talked about how the team members have set a number of records for the Vail Gymnastics Center and brought home a number of state championships this year.
- 9.1.2. Mr. Ortiz thanked the girls for their commitment and for representing Vail so well in and out of the gym, and the coaches for their hard work.
- 9.1.3. Director Foley asked if there was a meet this weekend.
- 9.1.4. Mr. Ortiz responded that the regional meet will be taking place in Arkansas.
- 9.1.5. Ms. Cotter explained that the Vail Gymnastics Center spring show will also be occurring this weekend showcasing recreational and team gymnasts.
- 9.1.6. Rob Page, a gymnastics parent, thanked the Board and staff for everything that the Vail Gymnastics Center has been able to accomplish over the past few years and thanked the Board for keeping the gymnastics center program going.
10. GORE RANGE ROOM PRICING 2016-17
- 10.1. Mr. Scott O'Connell presented proposed pricing for the exclusive use of the banquet space at the Vail Golf & Nordic Clubhouse, now being referred to as the Gore Range Room. The VRD is prepared to take bookings for events seven days a week, year-round, starting in October 2016 with different options for multiple-hour blocks for weddings, social and corporate events. After some discussion, the Board thanked Mr. O'Connell for his work in putting this pricing together.
11. REVIEW GOLF COURSE DONATION APPLICATIONS
- 11.1. Mr. Ortiz stated that he and Ms. Alice Plain, director of the Vail Golf Club, met with Director Wiles and Director Saalfeld and after some consideration, the group decided to give the donation to the Battle Mountain Touchdown Club. This is the first time the Touchdown Club has asked for a donation, although they have rented the golf club multiple times in the past, and they have a history of running successful events. They also bring in soldiers from Ft. Carson for their events, and have hosted 40 military families over nine years.
- 11.2. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously approved to

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donate the Vail Golf Club to the Battle Mountain Touchdown Club for a one-day golf course buyout this season.

- 11.3. Director Newbury addressed the two other donation requestors and recommended that they reapply next year for consideration.

12. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR INPUT

- 12.1. Mr. Ortiz stated that as of last week, all greens were cleared and re-treated with a fungicide for snowmold suppression, and they continue to look healthy.
- 12.2. In sports, Mr. Ortiz shared that 170 kids signed up for youth soccer, which is up about 20 kids from last season. The VRD has six under-8 teams, four under-10 teams and 65 kids in micro soccer.
- 12.3. Mr. Ortiz stated that on a personal note, Mrs. Beth Pappas's team raised \$6,500 for Pink Vail and Mr. Joel Rabinowitz's U11 boys' soccer team raised \$1,500. Mr. Ortiz gave kudos to those two employees for their fundraising efforts.
- 12.4. Mr. Ortiz stated that Mr. Joel Rabinowitz met with the Vail Valley Partnership and the Town of Vail regarding visiting international teams, a Japanese youth baseball team and a German pro soccer, that are coming to Vail and the fields this summer.
- 12.5. Mrs. Jessie Klehfoth talked about the new VRD website and registration system that launched last week, and stated that the response to the website has been very positive. The VRD saw over 125 individual orders placed the first week and the website saw a 57% increase in visits over last year, along with other healthy website statistics.
- 12.6. Mr. Ortiz stated that Mrs. Klehfoth posted photos on Facebook from the Shamrock Shuffle, and Mrs. Klehfoth put together a video from the Easter Egg Hunt, featuring a GoPro point-of-view experience of one of the 5-year-old participants that he recommended the Board watch if they haven't already.
- 12.7. Mr. Ortiz mentioned that FBLA is currently using the Dobson Ice Arena for their event, followed by two Hispanic dances before the facility will shut down for a maintenance period.
- 12.8. Mr. Ortiz spoke about how Mr. Chad Young and Mr. Christian Kloser put together a Nordic obstacle course the week of 4/6-7 with the PwrHrs kids. This was a very successful program in its first year.
- 12.9. Mr. Ortiz gave kudos to the Community Programming department for the successful Easter Egg Hunt.
- 12.10. Mr. Ortiz mentioned how Community Programming has been working hard on updating the VRD website and new registration database, and Mr. Ortiz commended the staff of all the departments involved for their hard to get everything ready for the opening day of registration. He also specifically commended Mr. Joel Rabinowitz for managing the registration project overall and Mrs. Jessie Klehfoth for the new website. Also Mrs. April Heredia was

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commended for setting up the financial side of the registration system.

- 12.11. Mr. Ortiz stated that the Green Elephant Juicery is a new sponsor of the Vail Gymnastics Center spring show, and thanked them for their support. He also stated that parking for the show will be limited at the Gymnastics Center, and thanked Mr. Bugby and Sun Vail for allowing guests to park there during the show on Saturday.
- 12.12. Mr. Ortiz commended the boy's competitive gymnastics team who will be competing in the upcoming Region 3 championship.
- 12.13. Mr. Ortiz finished by stating that the town council will be touring the clubhouse construction site on May 3.

13. BOARD MEMBER INPUT

- 13.1. Director Newbury invited the Vail Valley Foundation (VVF) to speak to the VRD Board regarding the proposed music festival and the impact that it would have on users and the recreational facilities, and encourages the public to attend that presentation and provide input.
- 13.2. Director Foley seconded the request for the VVF to present to the Board and ensure that there will be no negative impact on the condition of the athletic fields by the festival.
- 13.3. Mr. Ortiz explained that there are still many questions that need to be answered regarding the impact and the timing of the festival, including the downtime before and after the event.
- 13.4. Director Newbury stated that she has heard the VVF's presentation to other entities and wants to ensure that the VRD Board represent the interests of the VRD constituents and users throughout this exploratory process.
- 13.5. Director Foley asked how the softball league signup went at Sports Authority.
- 13.6. Mr. Ortiz stated that signup went well and that tonight is the uniform pickup for youth soccer.
- 13.7. Director Foley also asked about election information.
- 13.8. Mrs. April Heredia explained that absentee ballots have been mailed out to all who requested them and that VRD will continue to take absentee ballot requests through April 29th. Requests can be made at the Tennis Center at 700 S Frontage Rd E in Vail.
- 13.9. Director Suarez stated that he saw the recreational path at the Vail Golf Club has been cleared. He also said the golf club conditions are looking great, as are the tennis courts. He also wanted to thank the gymnastics team for coming in, and stated that the Town of Vail did a great job with the film festival and the Taste of Vail events.

14. ADJOURNMENT

- 14.1. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to

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adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Vail Recreation District Board of Directors.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessie Klehfoth
Secretary to the Meeting