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## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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### **Minutes of the Regular Meeting Of the Board of Directors**

#### **Vail Park and Recreation District dba Vail Recreation District June 27, 2013**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on June 27, 2013 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. Joe Hanlon, Ken Wilson, Billy Suarez, Jeff Wiles, Rick Sackbauer
2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED
  - 2.1. None
3. STAFF PRESENT
  - 3.1. Mike Ortiz, Jamie Gunion, Scott O'Connell
4. OTHERS PRESENT
  - 4.1. Stephen Connolly
5. CONSULTANTS PRESENT
  - 5.1. Eric Weaver, Robertson & Marchetti, P.C.
6. CALL TO ORDER
  - 6.1. Director Hanlon called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.
7. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES
  - 7.1. By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2013 Regular Meeting.
8. PUBLIC INPUT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA
  - 8.1. Mr. Stephen Connolly spoke in regards to the 5 p.m. start time for the VRD Board Meetings. He encouraged the board to consider a later start time to provide an opportunity for more public participation. Mr. Connolly also expressed concerns regarding the process of the Vail Golf Clubhouse renovation. In addition, he spoke about his concerns regarding management of the District and encouraged the board to listen to the community.

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#### 9. MAY 2013 FINANCIAL REPORT

- 9.1. Mr. Eric Weaver reviewed the financials through May. Revenues are ahead in most areas with the Vail Golf Club behind due to a late season start and decreased punch card sales. On the expense side, the District is favorable in most departments.
- 9.2. Director Wilson questioned when the tax abatement/appeal period would provide a clearer picture of the District's new valuation for the 2014 budget. Mr. Weaver explained this would happen in August and he is working with the Eagle County Assessors office on updates. Mr. Weaver explained that property owners who are appealing have to pay their tax fees and if it is abated it will be refunded plus interest.
- 9.3. Mr. Weaver reviewed a document that shows expenses and revenues and how all department operations are subsidized, even before capital expenditures. However, last year the Vail Golf Club did cover its own operating costs due to the early start, great weather, and Cordillera members playing the course. However it still required a subsidy to cover capital expenditures.

#### 10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR INPUT

- 10.1. Mr. Mike Ortiz provided a departmental review:
  - 10.1.1. He said the King of the Mountain Volleyball tournament had 620 teams. The Vail Lacrosse Shootout tournament will begin Saturday.
  - 10.1.2. The new 12<sup>th</sup> tee box will be open on June 28. The 15<sup>th</sup> green sod is being stripped and are working on solutions to improve the tee box, including reurfing the tee box. Goal is to be able to play the 15<sup>th</sup> green later this summer. The old turf is being placed in the nursery to reuse it to maintain similar playing surface on all tee boxes. Scott Todd is working on providing more sand in the bunkers as a temporary solution to the bunkers until they can be improved.
  - 10.1.3. Sports is busy, the 37<sup>th</sup> running of the Vail Hill Climb will take place July 6th.
  - 10.1.4. Many of the Youth Services camps are nearly full. The Nature Center programs have been going very well.
- 10.2. Director Suarez questioned signage regarding paying per entry at Ford Park. Mr. Ortiz said he would look into it.
- 10.3. Director Sackbauer asked how many people King of the Mountain Volleyball and Lacrosse bring to town. He said it's interesting for the community to know how many people the sporting events bring to town. He complimented staff for addressing the parking situation at the Vail Golf Club and utilizing the new biking program.
  - 10.3.1. Mr. Ortiz explained the VRD purchased 15 bikes for staff who will be using these bikes to commute from Public Works and Vail Golf Club.

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10.3.2. Director Sackbauer shared information about Dobson Ice Arena's four new instructors who are well known in the skating community, nationally and internationally. He requested a site visit to the concession area at Dobson Ice Arena. In response to Mr. Connolly's request for early meeting times, he requested staff look into what it would take to change the meeting times.

#### 11. BOARD MEMBER INPUT

- 11.1. Director Sackbauer said he feels the Vail Golf Club's conditions are some of the best in the county. He requested bringing the new Food and Beverage Manager to a board meeting to introduce him to the community.
- 11.2. Director Wilson also commented he is not opposed to a later start time if staff feels it would accommodate the community. He also questioned if staff knows the impacts to the Vail Skating Invitational. Mr. Ortiz said his understanding is numbers are up for the Skating Invitational.
- 11.3. Director Wiles thanked staff for the added picnic tables and BBQ at the sand volleyball courts. He worked the Summer Solstice race and said the participants felt it's one of the best races produced. There was great participation and an atmosphere. Director Wiles questioned storage for Sports. Mr. Ortiz said Sports staff is looking at what could be convenient for them.
- 11.4. Director Suarez questioned if softball players are using the concession stands. Mr. Scott O'Connell said softball use has been low. Mr. O'Connell said staff is researching netting to catch the tennis balls on courts one and two.
- 11.5. Director Hanlon extended their condolences to the families affected by the plane crash this past week. The VRD is looking for volunteers for the Vail Hill Climb.

#### 12. SITE VISIT TO NEW CONCESSIONS/RESTROOM AREAS AT FORD PARK/VAIL TENNIS CENTER

- 12.1. The Board left the meeting to visit the new restrooms and concessions area at Ford Park and the Vail Tennis Center.

#### 13. ADJOURNAMENT

- 13.1. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Vail Recreation District Board of Directors.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jamie Gunion  
Secretary to the Meeting