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Minutes of the Regular Meeting Of the Board of Directors

Vail Park and Recreation District dba Vail Recreation District March 24, 2016

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on March 24, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. following the candidate forum 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. Tom Saalfeld, Kevin Foley, Bill Suarez, Jeff Wiles
2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED
 - 2.1. Kim Newbury
3. STAFF PRESENT
 - 3.1. Mike Ortiz, April Heredia, Alice Plain, Jessie Klehfoth
4. OTHERS PRESENT
 - 4.1. Michael Cacioppo, Stephen Connolly, Dawn Ristow
5. CONSULTANTS PRESENT
 - 5.1. Eric Weaver, Marchetti & Weaver, LLC
6. CALL TO ORDER
 - 6.1. Director Saalfeld called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
7. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES
 - 7.1. By motion duly made and seconded it was RESOLVED to unanimously approve the minutes of the February 25, 2016 meeting.
8. PUBLIC INPUT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA
 - 8.1. Mr. Michael Cacioppo wished to state that he was running to be a state representative. He stated his work and education history, and political platform.
 - 8.1.1. Director Saalfeld thanked Mr. Cacioppo for running for the office as a local representative.
 - 8.2. Mr. Stephen Connolly stated he is running for the board and spoke regarding continued concerns that he feels are still unresolved.

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9. February 2016 Financial Report
 - 9.1. Mr. Eric Weaver reported that it is very early in the year but things are off to a good start with School's Out Camp and after school camps doing very well. Operating expenses are also favorable to budget. He stated that the VRD ended up finishing 2015 about \$300,000 ahead of where we had planned. Fieldwork for the annual audit was completed this week, with no adjustments and it went very smoothly. A presentation will be forthcoming on the auditors' report.
 - 9.1.1. Director Saalfeld questioned how we finished 2015 overall.
 - 9.1.2. Mr. Weaver stated that we finished \$300,700 favorable to forecast.
 - 9.1.3. Director Saalfeld questioned if some of this will be held in reserve due to the clubhouse project.
 - 9.1.4. Mr. Weaver stated that this is absolutely a strategy and that there are still a number of unknowns with rising costs for unfunded capital projects. The VRD is holding funds in reserves to make sure they are being used where needed.
 - 9.1.5. Director Saalfeld commended Mr. Ortiz for his leadership of the organization and for being \$300,000 in the black.
10. Selection of Sub Committee for Reviewing Golf Course Donation
 - 10.1. Mr. Ortiz asked for volunteers from the Board to review three proposals from the community for a charity tournament golf course donation.
 - 10.2. Director Foley asked if this was in addition to the BB&B tournament.
 - 10.3. Mr. Ortiz stated that the BB&B tournament is a VRD tournament that benefits the Tom Slaughter scholarship fund, so this would be in addition.
 - 10.4. Director Saalfeld and Director Wiles volunteered for the subcommittee.
11. REVIEW OF NEW WEBSITE AND ONLINE REGISTRATION SYSTEM
 - 11.1. Mrs. Klehfoth reviewed the new website and online registration system that will be launching on April 4th. The purpose of the project was to update the design of the website, make it more mobile friendly for small-screen devices and update the backend of the website for security and ease of update as well as search engine optimization, plus a better user experience with clearer organization and navigation. She gave a tour of the new website design and layout and emphasized the new registration system that all of the directors have been training to use. The new registration system offers a new calendar functionality as well as a registration platform for all of the VRD races, leagues, classes, programs and camps, plus the ability to sell facility reservations, memberships and punch passes.
 - 11.2. The Board commended Mrs. Klehfoth and other staff members for their work.
12. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR INPUT
 - 12.1. Mr. Ortiz stated that golf maintenance has cleared greens 1-4, 6, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, and the putting green have been cleared and retreated with a fungicide

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for snowmold suppression. In the next week, weather permitting, VRD will clear 7-10, and 12 only if the weather doesn't melt the snow on them before we get to them.

- 12.2. Mr. Ortiz wished to remind the board that Chris Johnson has taken a position with Cherry Creek Country Club and Ethan Malzahn accepted a position at Lakewood Country Club. The reason he mentioned this is to congratulate Alice Plain for winning another award through the PGA, the Horton Smith Award, for educating young professionals.
- 12.3. Mr. Ortiz stated that we also hired George Hart, PGA Professional for an Assistant's position. George has worked at the Sonnenalp Golf Course for the past nine years.
- 12.4. Mr. Ortiz stated that the Krueger Family Shamrock Shuffle was a success last Saturday, and thanked the Krueger Family for their support of the event.
- 12.5. Mr. Ortiz welcomed Noosa Yogurt as a new sponsor of the Trail Running Series and 808 Distillery as a new partner of the Mountain Bike Series, plus mentioned that the VRD is working with Summit Ford on a new sponsorship deal including the purchase of a new truck for the sports department.
- 12.6. Mr. Ortiz mentioned that the marketing department has been busy with press coverage in the paper for the Chocolate workshop, releases for the election and putting together the candidate forum, among other tasks.
- 12.7. Mr. Ortiz commended George Selimos, a Dobson skating instructor, who has been selected to attend the World Championships in Boston as an apprentice for pairs skating as a representative of US Figure Skating.
- 12.8. Mr. Ortiz also commended the Dobson hockey Squirt C team who won the State Championship and the Squirt B team who finished second. He also mentioned how Dobson hosted the H.E.R.O game put on by Speak Up Reach Out. The event helped raise money for first responders and Speak Up Reach Out, which is a suicide prevention organization. There were about 150 people in attendance.
- 12.9. Mr. Ortiz enjoyed filling in at the Community Programming area while the team was in training last week, and was impressed by the number of families coming through that department each day from all over the country.
- 12.10. Mr. Ortiz thanked Ms. Jerrica Miller for a great schedule during the sold out School's Out Camp over the February break.
- 12.11. Mr. Ortiz also encouraged the community to come out for the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 26 at 9:30 a.m. in Lionshead.
- 12.12. Mr. Ortiz reminded everyone that the Vail Gymnastics Center will host its annual spring show on Saturday, April 16th and that the Gymnastics trip to California was very successful with great results from the team. Their last meet will be on April 1st in Colorado Springs.
- 12.13. Mr. Ortiz also stated that as a result of repeated inquiries about the district's investigation of a previous report of child abuse, he asked the Vail

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Police Department to investigate the matter. That investigation has been completed and he was informed that there is no basis for criminal charges. This finding is consistent with the results of the district's previous investigation of this report.

13. BOARD MEMBER INPUT

- 13.1. Director Wiles commended the VRD for hiring Mr. Rob Crawford in the sports department. He also wanted to encourage everyone to attend the Easter Egg Hunt and take in the energy of the kids. He also wanted to thank Mr. Chris Romer on a job well done moderating the candidate forum. Finally he wanted to commend the Vail Skate Club for a great performance at a recent event.
 - 13.2. Director Saalfeld stated that the Skating Club of Vail participated in the Denver Invitational with 350-400 skaters, and that all seven of the girls from Skating Club of Vail made the podium. He stated that we are very proud of those skaters and would like to recognize Mr. Jared Biniecki and the skating team at a future meeting.
 - 13.3. Director Foley commended the skating club as well. He asked if we had hired an F&B supervisor for Dobson concessions.
 - 13.3.1. Mr. Ortiz said that we have not but that Mr. O'Connell is working on it.
 - 13.4. Director Foley also asked about the process to clean up the ponds with ERWSD.
 - 13.5. Mr. Ortiz stated that he believed this is a long-term process.
 - 13.6. Director Foley asked that we help Gore Creek as much as possible. He also asked if we could do a tour of the clubhouse to see how things are coming along.
14. Director Saalfeld gave an update on the visual progress of the clubhouse and said that it looks good.
15. Director Wiles explained how the view looking out from the grill area of the clubhouse is amazing.
16. Director Suarez stated that he met with the gymnastics center employees and was blown away by the participation and energy at the center.
 - 16.1. Mr. Ortiz updated the board that new mats were installed yesterday for the balance beam and a new floor is coming for the center.
17. Director Saalfeld stated that he and Mr. Ortiz discussed the clubhouse construction and the plan to release information regarding the golf club progress and details.
 - 17.1. Mr. Ortiz stated how the construction will not impact the golf course this summer and that they will have 20 holes of amazing golf all summer with F&B service.
18. Director Saalfeld questioned the communication plan for the trail race series.
 - 18.1. Mrs. Klehfoth explained that there will be a press release going out shortly.

19. ADJOURNMENT

- 19.1. 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