
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Directors

Vail Park and Recreation District
dba Vail Recreation District
August 23, 2018

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on August 23, 2018 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. Tom Saalfeld, Kim Newbury Rediker, Jason Plante, Roland Kjesbo
2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED
 - 2.1. Bill Suarez
3. STAFF PRESENT
 - 3.1. Mike Ortiz, Jessie Klehfoth, Julie Cotter
4. OTHERS PRESENT
 - 4.1. Jim Collins, Michael Caccioppo
5. CONSULTANTS PRESENT
 - 5.1. Eric Weaver
6. CALL TO ORDER
 - 6.1. Director Saalfeld called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.
7. CHANGES TO AGENDA
 - 7.1. None
8. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES
 - 8.1. By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2018 regular meeting with Director Kjesbo abstaining due to absence.
9. PUBLIC INPUT FOR MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE ON AGENDA
 - 9.1. None
10. TOWN OF VAIL AND VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT PROPERTY/CAPITAL PROJECT MANAGEMENT

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- 10.1. Mr. Jim Collins of Collins, Cockrel & Cole, P.C., the District's law firm, spoke to the Board about the different relationships he has seen between park and recreation departments and towns regarding ownership of facilities. He stated that the current relationship between the Town of Vail and the Vail Recreation District and landlord and tenant is not an unusual situation, and the District should be proud to have been selected to operate these recreation facilities on the town's behalf.
- 10.2. Mr. Ortiz said he asked my Collins to speak to the Board after some questions regarding the lease agreements with the town and wanted to show that it's not an unusual situation, and creates a valuable partnership. He stated that the Vail Golf Clubhouse and Vail Gymnastics Center were good examples of what a strong town and recreation district partnership can accomplish together.
- 10.3. Mr. Michael Cacioppo, former Vail resident, gave public input and shared his history of serving on the town council when the recreation district was separated from the town government in 1989. He stated that the District boards have done a terrific job with terrific people since 1989.

11. GYMNASTICS PROGRAM UPDATE

- 11.1. Miss Julie Cotter, Vail Gymnastics Center director, presented an update on the gymnastics program. She gave an overview of the programs and current offerings, that include recreation classes, open gyms, the competitive team and summer and after-school camps. Miss Cotter also talked about the new head coach, Danielle Salinsky who started in May, and the new tumbling and boys' coach, Ryan Enfield, who will begin on Sept. 4. Mr. Enfield will be adding some new tumbling and trampoline classes, boys advanced classes and a new class geared toward training for on-mountain sports. The Gymnastics Center has also worked with the Eagle County School District on a plan to bus students from the temporary Red Sandstone Elementary School location at Maloit Park to the gymnastics center for after-school programs. Additionally, Miss Cotter highlighted the successes earned by the competitive team in recent competitions, and the new trampoline, Air-Trak and foam blocks equipment in the gym.

12. JULY 2018 FINANCIALS

- 12.1. Mr. Weaver stated that the county protests with four hotels have settled closer to what the assessor had valued, which is positive for the budget estimates. He spoke about the challenges at the golf course with rounds being up but overall revenues being down but said that the Dobson budget is doing well and offsetting a lot of the golf losses so far.
- 12.2. Mr. Weaver said the expense budgets are on track, with golf finding expense savings and golf maintenance right on track with their budget. They've done a good job of trying to save but also put a lot of effort into revitalization of the greens.

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- 12.3. Mr. Weaver also spoke to the capital budget, where some projects were deferred from spring to fall, and some to next year. He said the District needs to look at 2019 projects to prioritize. He expressed confidence that the District has mostly been able to absorb the golf downturn in other departments, and that the District financials were in good condition.

13. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR INPUT

- 13.1. Mr. Ortiz stated that marketing continues to do summer ad buys on radio, Vail Daily, Vail Daily Weekly, Business Briefs and more.
- 13.2. Mr. Ortiz thanked Mrs. Jessie Klehfoth for her tremendous work with the Businesses, Bogeys and Bragging Right charity golf tournament. Mr. Ortiz challenged the board members to get a team entered into the tournament and reminded the public that the tournament proceeds benefit the VRD's Tom Slaughter, Jr. Memorial Youth Recreation Fund.
- 13.3. Mr. Ortiz encouraged the board to take a look at the new professional photographs posted to the Vail Golf Club website.
- 13.4. He talked about the Kids Adventure Games, which saw 1,100 kids participate, and he thanked all of the volunteers and the sports department staff who put in a lot of work. He also commended the Kids Adventure Games staff who did a great job.
- 13.5. Mr. Ortiz talked about how the parks maintenance staff is doing really great in working with the water restrictions. He said the fields look good, and the CU and DU women's soccer teams are coming in to practice on the athletic field. He said 8-on-8 soccer, softball and volleyball leagues go for a few more weeks.
- 13.6. Mr. Ortiz talked about increases in pickleball participation from both out of town guests as well as locals. Pickleball drop-in at the Golden Peak courts goes from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and then 4 to 8 p.m. daily. He said that Mr. Jerry Stevens does a great job of getting all levels of players involved and he continues to work with local camps. Mr. Ortiz stated that the annual pickleball tournament was last weekend, and Mr. Stevens added two days to the schedule this year with 150 players participating, and many played multiple events. He thanked Mr. Stevens for a great job.
- 13.7. Mr. Ortiz highlighted how Dobson Ice Arena recently had 60 skaters in the Pro Ambitions Hockey Camp, a camp that has been coming to the arena for 10 years now. He was pleased to see lots of local kids getting involved in hockey.
- 13.8. Mr. Ortiz stated that the VRD is expecting to receive bids on the Vail Golf Club bridge construction project tomorrow, and the new starter building in the next couple of weeks. He stated that all plans have been approved by DRB and VRD is just waiting on some final estimates and third-party approvals. Some discussion was had on golf course and construction logistics.

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- 13.9. Mr. Ortiz finished by thanking the staff for a busy summer and reminded everyone that the 10@10 trail running race starts at 8 a.m. on Saturday. He also said the mountain bike race series has wrapped up for the summer and it was fun to see how much the youth series has grown. Thank you to Vail Resorts and Beaver Creek for hosting the race last night.
14. BOARD MEMBER INPUT
- 14.1. Director Plante said it was great to see the gymnastics presentation, and he's pleased with the addition of the boys programs. He said it was great to see Miss Cotter's hard work and enthusiasm.
- 14.2. Director Kjesbo stated that he appreciates Mr. Ortiz and Mr. O'Connell's time on everything they've been doing for the golf course bridges and starter building construction projects.
15. ADJOURNMENT
- 15.1. 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,
Jessie Klehfoth
Secretary to the Meeting