
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting Of the Board of Directors

Vail Park and Recreation District dba Vail Recreation District August 28, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on August 28, 2014 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. Kim Newbury, Tom Saalfeld, Jeff Wiles, Kevin Foley, Bill Suarez
2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED
 - 2.1. None
3. STAFF PRESENT
 - 3.1. Mike Ortiz, Jamie Gunion
4. OTHERS PRESENT
 - 4.1. Jenny Rink, Jo Rink, John Gottlieb, Charlie Penwill, Mike Kieler
5. CONSULTANTS PRESENT
 - 5.1. Eric Weaver, Robertson & Marchetti, P.C.
6. CALL TO ORDER
 - 6.1. Director Wiles 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 July 10, 2014 meeting.
8. EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - 8.1. By motion duly made and seconded it was RESOLVED to move into Executive Session for the purpose(s): §24-6-402(4)(b), C.R.S., “Conferences with an attorney for the public entity for the purposes of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions”
 - 8.2. Upon exiting from Executive Session Director Foley noted that the matters discussed in executive session did not deviate from the purpose it was called for..

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9. PUBLIC INPUT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

- 9.1. Mr. Charlie Penwill spoke to the board about his perspective on the Pickleball program that has grown in Vail over the past two summers. Pickleball is game that can be played by anybody, school-age children and older. It is an interesting demographic group, beneficial to Vail. Many players in Vail reside elsewhere during the winter but live in Vail during the summer and are a positive financial addition to the Vail area. This summer, the VRD has provided the players with four courts, from one during last summer. Pickleball allows a full-sized tennis court to be turned into four pickleball courts, with up to 16 players playing at any one time. The game works well when there is a central location and the local players would like to see the Golden Peak courts be that area.
 - 9.1.1. Director Saalfeld questioned if parking at Golden Peak has worked for the group. Mr. Penwill said the parking has been successful for the program.
- 9.2. Mr. Joe Rink, also a member of the pickleball community, recommended expansion of the courts to pickleball only at Golden Peak. He also encouraged the addition of a seating area, water for drinking and cleaning of the courts, as well as bathrooms. He encouraged the board to research how pickleball players will pay for the activities, as well as relocating the junior program to the Vail Tennis Center at Ford Park. He mentioned there are two outdoor pickleball courts in Avon, as well as indoor court used at Avon Elementary School for weeknight play. This year 50 people paid \$15 for the summer pickleball at Golden Peak.
 - 9.2.1. Director Suarez clarified that Mr. Rink is suggesting moving the junior program to Ford Park, not moving the courts at Golden Peak elsewhere. He also explained the VRD is working on a plan to repair the Golden Peak courts, and, when this happens, the VRD can look at reorienting the courts. He also stated that no additional changes will be made until new hard court(s) are installed to Booth Creek, as the hard court at Gold Peak is needed until that time He agreed that a plan needs to be created with a payment policy.
- 9.3. Mr. Penwill also mentioned there are two pickelball courts at Cordillera but Vail is emerging as the pickleball center for the Vail Valley. He explained there's very little maintenance required and encouraged the board look at the peripheral benefits of bringing people to town to play the sport.
- 9.4. Mr. Mike Keiler also expressed interest in hosting a pickleball tournament in Vail.
- 9.5. Director Wiles thanked the group for coming, saying the board will review their suggestions as they plan for 2015.

10. ASSIGNMENT OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- 10.1. Mr. Weaver explained the public hearing for the budget would take place in October and be continued for approval in November. Mr. Weaver requested two members of the board be part of the committee.

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- 10.1.1. Directors Suarez and Saalfeld volunteered to sit on the budget committee.
- 10.2. Mr. Weaver also shared that Sept. 10-12 is the Colorado Special District's Association annual conference in Keystone. The conference is designed for board members of special districts and includes information on budgets, financials, elections, community interaction and more.

11. JULY 2014 FINANCIAL REPORT

- 11.1. Mr. Weaver provided the board with a recap of financials through July. Revenues are doing well with unfavorable revenues in Gymnastics due to not requiring new uniforms, as well as revenues down at the Vail Golf Club due to weather, later opening and other various factors. Operations and expenses are favorable in most departments. Most changes in operations are due to timing. The district is looking to finish the year in good standing.

12. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S INPUT

- 12.1. Ms. Jamie Gunion provided a brief update from the executive director's report, which included:
 - 12.1.1. The KEEN Vail Kids Adventure Games was a success. Overall the VRD grossed nearly \$70,000 in revenue from adventure games, clinic and mud run registrations. The sports department is processing expenses. Additionally, the VRD and Kids Adventure Games, L.L.C will present a recap to the Commission on Special Events on Sept. 3.

13. BOARD MEMBER INPUT

- 13.1. Director Foley questioned what the significant challenges with disc golf creation. He will meet with staff to discuss.
 - 13.1.1. Ms. Gunion commented that challenges include working around the wetland areas.
- 13.2. Director Suarez is excited to see Ford Park coming to completion.
- 13.3. Director Newbury said the Vail Golf Course looked amazing on television during US Pro Cycling Challenge coverage. She commended the staff who worked during the Kids Adventure Games.
- 13.4. Director Wiles commented he had been approached about installing an outdoor ice arena at Donovan Park to increase programming and extended opportunities for the community to play hockey or skate. Director Newbury encouraged the topic is discussed during recreation subcommittee. Director Wiles also said the 10@10,000 foot trail running race took place on Aug. 24 with solid turnout of runners and spectators. He echoed Director Newbury's comment about the Kids Adventure Games.

14. ADJOURNAMENT

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14.1. 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