
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Directors

Vail Park and Recreation District
dba Vail Recreation District
January 23, 2020

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on January 23, 2020 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, Bill Suarez, Jason Plante, Roland Kjesbo, Kim Newbury Rediker

2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED

- 2.1. None

3. STAFF PRESENT

- 3.1. Jessie Klehfoth, Jared Biniiecki, Scott O'Connell, Chad Young, Jerrica Miller

4. OTHERS PRESENT

- 4.1. BMHS Cross Country Team and Coaches, Melissa Metcalfe, Justin Liffick

5. CONSULTANTS PRESENT

- 5.1. Eric Weaver, Jim Collins

6. CALL TO ORDER

- 6.1. Director Saalfeld called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

7. CHANGES TO AGENDA

- 7.1. The bumper car presentation was moved to earlier in the meeting agenda than originally scheduled.

8. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- 8.1. By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2019 and November 14, 2019 regular meetings.

9. PUBLIC INPUT FOR MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE ON AGENDA

- 9.1. None

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10. BMHS CROSS COUNTRY

- 10.1. Coach Felton of the Battle Mountain High School Cross Country team thanked the Board for their generous donation to support the team's travels to a fall meet in Arizona. Student athletes also took turns thanking the Board and describing the trip where they placed very well in the small school division and were also able to tour some colleges along the way.
- 10.2. Director Suarez asked about the numbers of teams that competed.
- 10.3. Director Rediker thanked the team for their partnership with VRD and for volunteering at running races throughout the summer.

11. VMS REUNIFICATION SITE

- 11.1. Mr. O'Connell started by explaining to the Board that there had been a long-standing partnership between Vail Mountain School and the Vail Golf Clubhouse, where VMS had listed the clubhouse as a reunification center. Recently, conversations have been had between Ms. Metcalfe and VRD staff to refresh the plan and work out details.
- 11.2. Ms. Metcalfe of the Vail Police Department is also serving as the Vail Mountain School's new school resource officer. She presented a plan to the Board about making the Vail Nordic Center into a reunification center for the Vail Mountain School. Sgt. Justin Liffick was also present and has been instrumental in helping put together this plan. Ms. Metcalfe gave some background about when this type of plan would be implemented, what staff can expect and what would be needed of the facility. After some discussion, and with a show of hands, the VRD Board agreed to make the Vail Golf & Nordic Clubhouse a reunification center for Vail Mountain School in the event of an emergency.

12. CAMP VAIL CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS

- 12.1. Mr. Chad Young gave a presentation to the board on some concepts for improving Camp Vail summer day camp, and also keeping staff fulfilled in their daily job. Possible additions presented include a spider climb, giant slide, climbing wall, mini golf course, roller skating, zorbs, human wak-a-mole, human hungry hippos, gaga ball, and more. After some discussion, the Board stated they were in favor with continuing to explore the possibilities.

13. PRESENTATION OF BUMPER CARS AT DOBSON

- 13.1. Mr. Jared Biniecki gave the Board an overview of the new ice bumper cars and operations at Dobson Ice Arena. This is an idea he's been working on for many years, and that finally came to fruition after seeing the cars at a trade show in May last year and talking to other rinks that are using them. He worked out storage and operational procedures and then convinced the Executive Director and Board to purchase the bumper cars late last year. Mrs.

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Klehfoth also showed the Board examples of how the new offering is being advertised.

14. 2020 MEETING DATES

- 14.1. Mr. Weaver asked the Board to approve the 2020 meeting dates as presented in the Board packet. The schedule designates the meeting date as the fourth Thursday of every month, except in November and December when the meeting will be held on the second Thursday of those months, due to the holidays.
- 14.2. After some discussion, and by motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the 2020 meeting schedule as presented.

15. 2020 RESOLUTION DESIGNATING POSTING LOCATIONS

- 15.1. Mr. Weaver explained to the Board that recent legislative changes to state law now encourage meeting notices to be posted 24 hours in advance of meetings on the website of the District at <https://www.vailrec.com>.
- 15.2. After some discussion, and by motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve Resolution No. 2020-1 as presented.

16. RESOLUTION OF ELECTION

- 16.1. Mr. Weaver stated that election rules are changing for special districts this year. In the past, elections have always been in even-numbered years, however the state legislature has now changed the schedule so special district elections will take place in odd-numbers years starting in 2023. This means that anyone elected to the Board this year will serve a three-year term to get to the new odd-year schedule.
- 16.2. The seats currently held by Director Suarez and Director Kjesbo are up for election, and Director Suarez is term limited so may not run again for at least one term. The 2020 VRD election resolution designates that this year's election will take place on May 5, 2020, unless two or fewer self-nomination forms are received, in which case the election will be canceled. This election will take place at an in-person polling station with absentee ballots available upon request. The Grand View Room in Lionshead has already been booked for the polling location, and VRD is coordinating with other local special districts to share the location, making it easier for voters on election day. Mrs. April Heredia will be the Designated Election Official. Anyone interested in running for the Board should submit a self-nomination and acceptance form by 5 p.m. on Friday, February 28. These may be obtained from Mrs. Heredia and should be returned to her by that time.

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- 16.3. After some discussion, and by motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the election resolution as presented.

17. AUDIT ENGAGEMENT LETTER

- 17.1. Mr. Weaver received an engagement letter from McMahan and Associates to conduct this year's audit and he feels the relationship with this firm is good. They have proposed a slight fee increase.
- 17.2. After some discussion, and by motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to select McMahan and Associates as the audit firm for the fiscal year 2019 audit.

18. DECEMBER 2019 FINANCIALS

- 18.1. Mr. Weaver directed the Board to the preliminary copies of financials that were distributed. They are still contingent on final invoices coming in and some additional clean up being done. Revenues were forecast to be 5% favorable to budget and will actually come in closer to 6% due to good interest rates and hotels that are still in the appeal process.
- 18.2. Mr. Weaver explained that expenses were forecast to come in over budget but are now showing as 1% favorable. Capital projects came in slightly under forecast and didn't need to use the remaining contingency funds.
- 18.3. After some discussion, the Board thanked Mr. Weaver for his work.

19. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR INPUT

- 19.1. Mr. Weaver gave highlights from the director reports as presented in the packet.

20. BOARD MEMBER INPUT

- 20.1. Director Plante said he was happy to see the new bumper cars as they are a great new addition to the community, and everyone he has talked to are very excited. He said Mr. Biniecki is doing a great job at Dobson and Yeti games have been fun to attend. He also thanked Mr. Timm and staff for a great job at the Nordic Center and said the track is in great shape.
- 20.2. Director Suarez stated he was really impressed with Mr. Young's presentation and that he is always trying to improve programming.
- 20.3. Director Rediker talked about sharing the bumper car video on Facebook and was embarrassed that it was her most interactive post ever. She agreed this is a great addition.
- 20.4. Director Kjesbo said Mr. Ortiz and his entire staff are doing a great job.

21. ADJOURNMENT

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- 21.1. 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