
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Directors

Vail Park and Recreation District
dba Vail Recreation District
February 22, 2018

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on February 22, 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, Kevin Foley, Roland Kjesbo, Bill Suarez

2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED

2.1. None

3. STAFF PRESENT

3.1. Mike Ortiz, Jessie Klehfoth, Joel Rabinowitz, Dan Timm

4. OTHERS PRESENT

4.1. None

5. CONSULTANTS PRESENT

5.1. Eric Weaver

6. CALL TO ORDER

6.1. Director Saalfeld called the meeting to order at 5:02 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 January 25, 2018 regular meeting, with Bill Suarez abstaining due to absence.

9. PUBLIC INPUT FOR MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE ON AGENDA

9.1. None

10. RESOLUTION OF ELECTION

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- 10.1. Mr. Ortiz presented the resolution of election. This will be a May 8 mail in ballot election at Donovan Pavilion for three Board of Directors seats. The seats currently held by Directors Foley, Saalfeld and Newbury Rediker will be up for election. None of these directors are currently term-limited so all are eligible to re-run. The VRD is hoping to coordinate this election with Eagle River Water & Sanitation District to have one joint polling place.
 - 10.2. Mr. Weaver stated that voters may request an absentee ballot from the Designated Election Official, April Heredia, at the VRD Administration Office located in the Vail Tennis Center (700 S Frontage Rd E in Vail).
 - 10.3. Director Newbury Rediker reminded potential candidates that if they are interested in running, they must submit a self-nomination form to the DEO at the address above by the close of business on March 2.
 - 10.4. Director Foley invited the public to come join the Board, stating it's a lot of fun.
 - 10.5. Mr. Weaver stated that the notice of election has been posted in the local newspapers - both the Vail Daily and Eagle Valley Enterprise.
 - 10.6. By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the resolution of election as presented.
11. RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEES – JOEL RABINOWITZ AND DAN TIMM
- 11.1. Mr. Ortiz told the Board about a new employee recognition program he has started by giving away “game balls” to deserving employees. This month, he awarded two balls to Mr. Joel Rabinowitz and Mr. Dan Timm for their outstanding work, along with a little gift. Mr. Ortiz explained to the Board why these two employees were deserving of recognition.
 - 11.2. Mr. Ortiz then awarded a surprise game ball to Director Saalfeld, for stepping in to run the pickleball program while Mr. Jerry Stevens was on vacation.
12. JANUARY 2018 FINANCIALS
- 12.1. Mr. Weaver talked about how 2018 financials were off to a good start with nothing of huge significance to call out. January is usually a relatively light month for revenue but lots of beginning of year expenses. 2017 numbers are still preliminary actuals, Mr. Weaver and Mrs. Heredia are cleaning up everything and getting ready for the audit. Mr. Weaver explained that only 3% of revenues for whole year are budgeted in January. He did point out a big uptick at Dobson thanks to concessions sales at Yeti games driving a positive variance, as well as early Bob Johnson hockey camp registrations and leagues that are doing well. Mr. Weaver stated there are no huge variances to go over and that he's working on shifting around some capital project timing.
 - 12.2. Director Foley asked if the Board would be going over capital projects at board retreat.

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- 12.3. Mr. Ortiz stated that this would occur, and the Board retreat is set for Friday, March 9 at the Antlers at Vail. It will be a one-day long retreat with breakfast and lunch served. He thanked Director Newbury Rediker for setting the retreat up with the Antlers at Vail.

13. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR INPUT

- 13.1. Mr. Ortiz talked about how the VRD met with town council members in the recreation subcommittee. He said they talked about a lot of things including capital projects and the clubhouse. He's thankful to the new town manager, Greg Clifton, for working with the VRD to get clubhouse issues resolved. They talked about the timing and funding of capital projects and thinks everyone is in sync. The VRD is now putting out RFPs for golf course bridge replacement, golf course starter house and storage, and an owner's representative to help Mr. O'Connell with these projects
- 13.2. Director Foley asked about the tee box replacement on 15 and the Board discussed some options to minimize golfer impact.
- 13.3. Mr. Ortiz also mentioned that the town is doing a master plan on storage areas now, which has always been a problem for VRD. Mr. Ortiz has asked that the VRD be a part of the storage master plan. The recreation subcommittee also talked about summer parking at Ford Park and the impact on paid parking to the Vail Tennis Center, alpine gardens and Nature Center. Mr. Ortiz wants to find a compromise with the town for patron usage, and they'll be talking more about this next week at the Ford Park parking task force meeting. Previous town council members on the recreation subcommittee agreed that Ford Park patrons shouldn't pay for parking during special events.
- 13.4. Mr. Ortiz stated that he met this week with other recreation directors around the county to discuss a joint pickleball plan. They talked about scheduling so there was less overlap between programs and hope to open more times for indoor pickleball throughout the valley. They also talked about the possibility of a countywide tournament.
- 13.5. Mr. Ortiz said that the town has proposed a joint presentation with town council for the March 20 meeting to present Phase I and II of the Vail Nature Center plan.
- 13.6. Mr. Ortiz and Mr. Young met with the Ski and Snowboard Academy principal who will allow them to use the school gym, art space and computer center, for the 2018-19 KidZone after-school program while Red Sandstone is temporarily located in Maloit Park. He said they've been very accommodating and thanked the school and Eagle County Schools. He also stated that Mr. Rabinowitz met with the school district to renew all MOUs for Red Sandstone Elementary, Homestake Peak School and the Ski and Snowboard Academy regarding operation of the fields.

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- 13.7. Director Foley asked what's happening at Dobson this week. Mr. Ortiz responded that they are hosting an annual corporate, private event.

14. BOARD MEMBER INPUT

- 14.1. Director Foley asked if the Colorado Classic route and road closures could be added to the Board retreat agenda. Mr. Ortiz stated that he and Mrs. Klehfoth were present at the town meeting discussing the route in detail.
- 14.2. Director Foley thanked Mrs. Klehfoth for sharing a recent article about Mr. Biniecki and his work at the 2018 Olympics.
- 14.3. Mr. Foley also participated in the winter uphill and thanked everyone for all the hard work putting this event on. He thought everyone had a great time, and thanked Vail Resorts for a great track and a wonderful breakfast at Eagle's Nest. He also voiced his support for having an annual Battle Mountain High School home Nordic race at the Vail Nordic Center to showcase it to the Nordic community.
- 14.4. Director Saalfeld stated that he attended the recreation subcommittee meeting with Director Newbury Rediker and thought it was a very productive meeting. He thanked town manager Mr. Greg Clifton for doing a great job supporting the town's interest and that of VRD. He is excited to work with the town and have more regular recreation subcommittee meetings.
- 14.5. Director Saalfeld also asked if Tuesdays will be available again for pickleball open gym. Mr. Ortiz responded that they will at the end of the ski season when open gym futsal concludes.

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