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## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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Minutes of the Special Meeting  
Of the Board of Directors

Vail Park and Recreation District  
dba Vail Recreation District  
November 16, 2023

A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on November 16, 2023, 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. Bob Armour, John Rediker, Molly Rabin, Jason Plante, Kirk Hansen

2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED

2.1. None.

3. STAFF PRESENT

3.1. Mike Ortiz, April Heredia, Nell Davis

4. OTHERS PRESENT

4.1. None.

5. CONSULTANTS PRESENT

5.1. Eric Weaver, Marchetti & Weaver, LLC.

6. CALL TO ORDER

6.1. Director Armour called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

7. CHANGES TO AGENDA

7.1. None.

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

8.1. By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2023, regular meeting with an update to section 12.2.

9. PUBLIC INPUT FOR MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE ON AGENDA

9.1 None.

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10. ALTERNATIVE ICE-EAGLE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS FOR DOBSON ICE ARENA RENOVATION
  - 10.1 Mr. Mike Ortiz shared for our viewing public what will be happening when Dobson closes. He shared that Eagle County had reached out and expressed their interest in allowing the district to put a sheet of ice in the fairgrounds arena. There is no formal agreement yet and a meeting will need to be had to discuss specifics.
  - 10.2 The key to this space being ideal for the sheet of ice is that it is in a covered and enclosed facility.
  - 10.3 There is a concern of the cost to the district to get his up and running as it will need plumbing and electrical to be installed as well as the cost of the system. Mr. Ortiz encouraged getting the Vail Town Council involved with the cost of this project.
  - 10.4 The projection of the need for ice is the fall of 2025.
  
11. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET
  - 11.1 Mr. Eric Weaver shared with the board that proposition HH failed but the governor called for a special session of the legislature for a solution for seeking property tax relief. Mr. Weaver gave the board a quick review of our mill levy and what parts we are able to be adjusted and which cannot. At the time of the meeting there were still many unknowns about the assessed values and Mr. Weaver asked the board for flexibility to adjust the mill levy based on what the final assessment rates will be. Mr. Weaver shared that the district will not reduce its mill levy due to all the upcoming capital projects the district has.
  - 11.2 Mr. Weaver then did a quick review of budget numbers that were shared at the last meeting and shared only minimal changes were made that will affect the bottom line for the district.
  - 11.3 Upon motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to open the public hearing for the adoption of the 2024 budget.
  - 11.4 Hearing no public comment, the hearing was closed.
  - 11.5 Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the resolution to adopt the 2024 budget, to approve the resolution to certify the mill levy at 4.008 mills for operations, 0.001 mills for refunds/abatements and to approve the resolution to appropriate funds for spending in 2024, all of which are subject to adjustments that may result from the final certification of assessed values.
  
12. EMPLOYEE HOUSING
  - 12.1 Mr. Mike Ortiz shared that the district is still signed up for three units, one studio and two, two-bedroom units. The board encouraged Mr. Ortiz to keep checking to see if any one bedrooms or studios become available. Earnest money,

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which is currently refundable, is expected to become non-refundable by May 1<sup>st</sup> and we should know final pricing by then as well. Staff will continue to work on the logistics of how the housing project will be run.

13. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

13.1 Mr. Mike Ortiz shared a few highlights from the director's report that can be found on the website in the board packet. He shared that the sports department will be hosting the annual Ugly Sweater race on Sunday December 10, 2023, and encouraged all to come out and donate.

13.2 A video was shared with the board honoring Alice Plain who was the West Chapter Warren Smith Award winner.

13.3 Mr. Ortiz also shared with the board that Battle Mountain Boys Soccer team won the state championship. He shared that Joel Rabinowitz is a coach for that team.

14. BOARD MEMBER INPUT

14.1 Director Armour also mentioned the Ugly Sweater race and encouraged everyone out to donate food and toys at any VRD facility.

14.2 Director Plante thanked April, Mike, Eric and all directors for their work on the budget. He also recognized the great job done in all race series this year.

14.3 Director Rabin shared how great it is to have an event such as the MMA event that took place at Dobson during the shoulder season in Vail.

14.4 Director Hansen thanked Nell and her staff for doing a great job marketing.

15. ADJOURNMENT

15.1 Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously RESOLVED to adjourn the Special Meeting of the Vail Recreation District Board of Directors.

Respectfully Submitted,  
April Heredia  
Secretary to the Meeting