

**North Fork Pool, Park and Recreation District
Board Meeting Minutes
August 19, 2019**

The Board of Directors of the North Fork Pool, Park and Recreation District (NFPPRD) met on Monday, August 19, 2019 at the District office in Hotchkiss.

Board Members Present: Sara Sharer, Ken Butcher, Sven Edstrom

Others Present: Lenore Cambria, District Administrator, Niki Richardson, Board Clerk,

Motion to excuse absences

A motion was made by Sara Sharer to excuse the absence of Kathryn Oxford, Kim Egging. 2nd by Sven Edstrom. Motion passed.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Review of Agenda: The agenda was reviewed.

Public Appearance

Mr. Pennel did not attend the meeting. He had lodged a complaint that little kids could not use the wader during lap swim. Lenore made a point that during swim lessons no one can use the wader. Proposal to be communicated by Lenore to Mr. Pennel.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of July 15, 2019– Sara Sharer made a motion to approve minutes with two small revisions. 2nd – Sven Edstrom. Motion passed.

Pay Bills

A motion was made to pay the bills by Sara Sharer. 2nd by Ken Oxford. The motion passed. *Up to \$900 per person for Kathryn and Lenore will be reimbursed by scholarship after the conference.

Pool Report – Lenore Cambria

Chris has been at the pool almost every morning. There is some painting to do. The lines of the pool cannot this year. be painted because it is very expensive and the whole pool has to be emptied. It has only been a couple of years.

Ken asked about the tile on the hot tub. Lenore said that that will be our next tile “adventure”. She thinks we can try for that this fall or spring. Sara expressed an interest in moving forward on that. Lenore says it does have a bit of a leak.

- Feedback From WSI’s – Swim Program & WSI Aides

Judy supplied the numbers for the pool school. 73 cards were given out vs 43 last year. The swim instructor feedback (on aides and on the program) they said it was good we’re giving the kids a sense of accomplishment because we have more levels for them to pass. They gave good feedback on the aides. We only had one 1-week session. Didn’t get many complaints about that, except maybe making it earlier in the summer instead of last thing. We got good numbers on enrollment. Overall, we had fewer students this summer, but we went further into August last year.

- Swim Lesson Numbers

- Water Aerobics Numbers

The numbers have been high this year. Most days 12+ participants in Glenda’s class.

OLD BUSINESS

- Ballfield Complex Status

Our expense projection on the grant is looking to be on track at this point. We still need to get numbers and providers of the bleachers, scoreboards, project management and signage. Our irrigation cost projections went down because of the smaller pump we are using. The fencing number went up because of the thing that protects kids from running into it. Randy Fender’s group gave us a proposal for doing the carpentry and the concrete that goes under it. They’re doing the dugout roofs and some other things. Lenore just bought \$20k worth of wood. Randy had two different places bid his specs for what he needed, and RM Rebar was the lowest. Sven mentioned sponsorship possibilities and wondered if Dependable Lumber had been asked. Maybe RM Rebar would like to sponsor? C&N Construction from Delta is doing the concrete.

- Colorado Health Foundation Grant Status

Lenore is trying not to put the stuff in and out of the sports complex account and it is confusing. She doesn’t want to add another in there. Singletrack Trails (the provider of the trail-building) is expected to be back mid-January to complete the skills course. Sven

expressed disappointment that kids aren't included in the building of the trails if it happens in January. We can purchase the carsonite signs. We'd like to include a fee for installation out of the \$2,500 for signage and \$2,400 for bike repair stations. Any signage can come out of lottery money. Hooray!

A Board Member expressed concern for the quantity/quality of the deliverables and scope of the project. Reportedly, there are other interested parties in what the Nature Connection is having done.

- Back Side of Welcome Sign

Some ideas were brainstormed for the backside of the address area of the Welcome sign –

It was decided that the Board wands Figures doing active things. Niki will create some and propose them to the Board

- Board Authority/Responsibilities

Lenore did some research and brought a sample document from another organization. The Board will review.

NEW BUSINESS

- Wading pool proposal

It has been proposed to let young kids use the wader during lap swim on weeks where there are no swim lessons. If young children use the wader during lap swim, we would potentially have to add another guard. For the remainder of the year we've put an experimental policy in place that allows children 4 and under in the baby pool during these hours. Based on that data, budget and staffing, we'll discuss the possibilities of extending this opportunity next season. It all hinges on safety.

A secondary issue came up that parents of children who get into the pool for free (2 and under) who get into the pool – even the wader – need to pay the regular admittance fee.

- Water study plan for irrigation ditch related to bicycle trails/Water Conservancy Plan for Ballfields – Trails being

Because we didn't have water last year, we didn't know where that was going to run. We need to do a plan because there is seepage coming through the banks. Lenore wondered if we would want to flag this fall the area where it is seeping. Measuring it and see what it would cost to pipe the ditch just right there. That would keep us getting as much water as we can and preserve the trails. Or we can do something with the trail – rocks? We're losing a lot of water and we need that water for the ballfields. Lenore suggested doing a study with someone who knows irrigation and put together a proposal. Sven proposed that we also have a problem with the catchment side of the water system. Lenore proposed that her first stop would be the water commissioner and the Short Ditch person. Sara also suggested Soil Conservation District could also advise. Ken proposed that we start with the Water Commissioner.

- Ambulance District Refund or Donation?

The Board agreed to donate the \$66+ dollars. Sara Sharer made a motion to donate the \$66 ambulance refund back to the Ambulance Auxiliary. Sven 2nd it. The motion passed.

- Skateboard Park Grant Writing/ Donations Received

\$450 from Paonia Realtors donated some money. Lenore asked the Town if they would still write the grant in light of their Town Manager drama and they said yes.

Administrator's Report

- Safety Grant Reimbursement submitted

- DOLA reimbursement request report completed for July

- Invoices to TNC –

Lenore has been trying to get a final report to GOCO with Kat so we can get our final

- Scholarships received for SDA conference

- Public meeting Notice new legislation

- West Elk Community Fund Grant

Lenore told Jay Canode about it so he could apply for a grant for the Skate Park.

- Hotchkiss Prosperity Plan Meeting

- Daniels Fund Reception Aug. 20th

Sara Sharer and Lenore are going to the reception

Marketing

Merchant Herald

Shopper Thank you ad

Eblast

Facebook

Correspondence

Lenore presented the communication.

Treasurer's Report -

Lenore presented the financials.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Niki Richardson, District Administrator

Approved: _____ Dated: _____