

**North Fork Pool, Park and Recreation District
Board Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2018**

The Board of Directors of the North Fork Pool, Park and Recreation District (NFPPRD) met on Monday, November 12, 2018 at the District office in Hotchkiss.

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

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Review of Agenda: The agenda was reviewed. The revised agenda was approved.

Motion to excuse absences

There were no board absences.

Minutes

The minutes of October 15, 2018 were reviewed. Mr. Edstrom made a motion to accept the minutes with edits from Mrs. Egging. Mrs. Egging seconded, the motion passed.

Bills Presented

The bills were reviewed. We discussed paying Chris for his Certified Pool Operator course. In the past, we've paid employees for their time in the course, their gas, and possibly a room if it would be better for him and his family. We could also do a per diem for meals. A motion was made by Mr. Edstrom to approve \$200 per diem to cover lodging, gas and meals if Chris stays in Glenwood overnight and mileage and lunch both days if he doesn't. Mr. Butcher seconded, the motion passed.

Mrs. Egging made a motion to accept the bills as presented. Mrs. Oxford seconded, the motion passed.

Public Appearance

Jodi Moore will present at the December meeting.

POOL REPORT

- **No pool report this month**

OLD BUSINESS

- **Celebratory Moment**

Board President Kathryn Oxford wanted to start with the happy news of our Mill Levy increase passing. Hooray, everyone!

- **Nature Connection Grant – Places Budget & Payments Synopsis**

Lenore explained the expenses – the only new payment was for the fencing. We received \$4,250 from The Nature Connection to pay for half of the fence. The fence ended up costing less than half of the estimate - We spent all but \$171 of the \$4,250. This savings will be useful for cashflow and to pay other things like woodchips and concrete.

- **Status on Bids for Ballfield construction**

Lenore had to advertise for 2 more weeks for RFP with an exact date. The Wednesday before Thanksgiving is the due date. All bids are due that day at noon. The committee will open the bids together sometime after that. Ken, Sven, and Kim are interested in being on the committee. We have to have a witness that all were sealed. The contractors who had expressed an interest came and did a walkthrough with Randy Fender. They didn't seem concerned that the work would happen in the winter. A time will be set at a later date after Lenore checks with Randy and everyone looks at their holiday calendar.

- **2019 Budget Review**

We looked at the budget to see the new Mill Levy amount reflected. On these draft budgets, Lenore wrote in the auditor fee which she had forgotten but didn't want to reprint. On the very last page, the hand-written number represents what we could carry forward to 2020 if Lenore has estimated everything correctly. We don't have to do an election for Board Members until 2020. We have to have a full-blown audit next year because we'll be over \$750K income or expenses which we will because of the grants we've received.

Other 2019 projects:

Irrigation water

Lenore asked Darnell if he'd clean out our ditch to make sure we get our irrigation water next year. (This is not on any budget yet.) Sven expressed interest in preserving the trailwork that his crew did this summer.

New pumps for the pool

Chris had mentioned more energy efficient pumps for the wader and hot tub.

Signage

We will need to do some signs for the bike trails, the ballfield complex and the main sign in the pool parking lot. Niki will present about this in December.

Dry out the office crawlspace

The office gets groundwater in the crawlspace. Lenore has been running an additional sump pump because the one that is installed there has a short in it or something.

Hot tub tiles

These tiles need to be replaced this year.

Mrs. Egging asked if it was reasonable to add the above projects into the budget. The answer was yes, that would be reasonable.

Mrs. Sharer advised that it would be responsive to many community members to do start the conversation through surveys and research about expanding the pool facility. Many people have expressed an interest and hope that that's what the NFPPRD would grow towards.

NEW BUSINESS

- Hotchkiss Prosperity Plan

The town will have a consultant who will ask businesses questions. Lenore made sure we were on the list. That will happen the 28-30 of November. It will be important to show that we're an important feature in Hotchkiss. Sven thought their focus is on the health baseline of the businesses. Sven was trying to create awareness of the bike/rec district aspect of the development of the town.

Sven talked a lot about the need for a bike/pedestrian bridge across the river to the school and NFPPRD property. He thinks that if we, the Nature Connection and the school all wrote letters expressing the importance of this project that a county commissioner would start to back us up and work on it.

Sara asked that this topic be on the December agenda.

- Ground-Breaking Ceremony

The most likely weekend would be the 6th or 7th of December. Since we're mostly doing it for press, we'd want to make sure Tami Meck should be there. We'd like to have our donors there.

- Tennis Court Vandalism

The displace case by the gate was broken into. They broke the block and used the push pins and scratched up the court (tic tac toe) with the pins. The police came. Kathryn observed other scratches in the surface of the court. A pickleballer wanted to get something to cover those spots – but the insurance company wants to see how the court over-winters, so Lenore advised against putting a patch on those scratches. Kathryn will communicate with the pickleballers to let them know not to try to fix the court.

- Cement for Weatherport Structures

When the line-locates came, they discovered that the elevate and DMEA have lines RIGHT under where we wanted to put the weatherport structure. There is a big enough space off the corner to re-situate the pad. Kat from the Nature Connection said that the weatherport crew will put up our structures.

Administrator's Report

- DOLA Training

Lenore and Niki went to Montrose to learn about the reporting for the DOLA grant. We can only submit for 45%, so we may need some kind of bridge loan.

- Aflac Insurance

Lenore paid our first bill.

- Property & Liability Insurance coverage for DOLA contract compliance

Lenore asked them if we need to have anything else while we're building the ballfields.

- Workers' Comp Insurance for 2019

Paid in advance to get a discount.

- Holiday Craft Fairs Nov. 17th, Hotchkiss

Lenore not planning to be part of those.

- West Elk Foundation

Hotchkiss Homeplate got \$500. There is a ceremony at 6pm on the 28th that they should go to.

Correspondence

Lenore shared the correspondence

Annual HCCC meeting – Lenore would like us to get an award next year

Mountain Film Tour

Madrigal singers

Abraham connection fundraiser

Stock the shelves

Community conversation on aging.

- Marketing

Merchant Herald ad, email blast of thanks for passing our Mill Levy

Treasurer's Report - Mrs. Egging

Mrs. Egging presented the financials. This is more fun now that we have grant money coming in!

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Niki Richardson, Board Clerk

Approved: _____ Dated: _____