

**North Fork Pool, Park and Recreation District  
Board Meeting Minutes  
April 16, 2018**

The Board of Directors of the North Fork Pool, Park and Recreation District (NFPPRD) met on Monday, April 16, 2018 at the District office in Hotchkiss.

**Board Members Present:** Ken Butcher, Kim Egging, Kathryn Oxford, Sara Sharer

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

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

**Board Absences**

Uli Lange was absent. A motion was made by Mrs. Egging to excuse the absences. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Sharer. The motion passed

**Minutes**

The minutes of March 19, 2018 were reviewed. Mrs. Oxford made a motion to accept the minutes with changes. Mrs. Sharer seconded, the motion passed.

**Bills Presented**

The bills were reviewed. Mrs. Sharer made a motion to accept the bills as presented, Mrs. Oxford seconded, the motion passed.

**POOL REPORT**

**- Number of kids signed up for April training for lifeguards and/or WSI's at Bill Heddles Rec Center**

Lenore went to Bill Heddles to see who was in the April training for Lifeguards. Only one person was there for the North Fork Pool – Grace Deck. Kenny Dbrolov will have to go in June. Lenore would like to see more young people in those trainings since our lifeguards are seniors or older and we don't know how long they'll come back to be guards. We are not able to get someone over here to do the training. They are changing a lot of things this year like back-boarding. Christina Loertscher agreed to come do an in-service training for our kids to update them on the changes to the curriculum.

**- Dave is working on irrigation water trying to make sure we get our waste water that we had a judge decree but haven't been receiving the past couple of years. Need new head gate.**

The head gate is rusted. Dave will take it to someone who claimed they could make it work. The water commissioner will come and set it and tell all of the property owners they have to stay out of the pond except for us.

**- Prairie Dog Control**

Someone with a 6-hole unit came and exterminated prairie dogs.

**- Greg Hostetler starting work**

Greg contacted Lenore and wants to start watering the field. Right now, we're not getting any runoff in our irrigation pond.

**- Ellen Hutto to start demolition and fix of wader tiles**

Ellen and Lenore decided that it would be more efficient just to redo all of the tiles. She will begin before the end of the month. They decided not to worry about the hot tub this year. They will just caulk the cracks this year. Dave will fix the floor of that hot tub.

**- Judy and Kathi finalization of swim lesson outlines/each level**

Lenore got a preliminary outline this week outlining the skills on each level of swim lessons. They have already set a couple of mornings just before lessons on which skills go with which things and how to fill out the paperwork.

**- Opening Day of pool - no last day of school HK8 or HHS grad night parties**

Memorial Day will be the opening day. There will be no graduation night party at all for the HS and Lenore doesn't want to do the HK8 because it is a bit difficult with the schedule and WSI training.

**- Bus service to one session of lessons**

Maybe we'd try a bus service for 2 weeks in June mornings. If we decide to do it, we'll run the bus, bring the kids to lessons, then the bus driver will pick up/drop off mid-day again to pick up the afternoon open swimmers. Kids are going to be out on the lawn if they're not in lessons causing the lifeguards to become babysitters.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **- Nature Connection Grant - Places and Programs Synopsis**

The other part of the NC grant is the Programs: Bus Service, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Swim Lessons; Lifeguard and WSI Stipends and WE have to write the report after that says who it was, how it went, what we'll do different next year.

### **- DOLA Meeting with Regional Rep, Kimberly Bullen and Administrative Assistant, Leah Smith - July 17/18 7 min. presentation in Cortez**

Kathryn and Lenore met with the DOLA people. They asked questions and fine-tuned our budget for the DOLA grant. They suggested we request the FULL amount that we need to complete the grant – so the DOLA grant was resubmitted for \$415,880. If we get any other money in between, we'll let them know. They also said that we may not do ANYTHING – bidding, dirt work, in-kind work – anything until we have a signed agreement with DOLA. We'll present to them on July 17/18 in Cortez. They will not have our grant app in front of them. They'll have a synopsis of pros and cons. The DOLA reps will make a list of the pros and cons and give it to us so we can be prepared to answer questions.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **- Elevate Fiber Phone Service**

The phone service goes through the cable box in the office and so it can't go to the pool. Brian Cambria has a way of doing a wifi phone so Lenore will look into that.

### **- Relationship with The Nature Connection**

Kathryn wants to talk to Anita and get things straightened out. Kathryn wants to clarify that she is a representative of our board who goes to their meetings. We discussed whether we want to be voting members on their board or if we'd just like to be present. We don't have a member who is willing to be a full-time member of their board.

The second issue is that the administration of the grant at this time looks like it will be considerable work for us. There has been miscommunication about who gets the bids and proposals for the various parts of the part of the project. It was always presented as no big deal and not much work, but not it appears that Lenore is to get the bids and numbers and submit the requests and do the reporting.

Mrs. Sharer made the point that we didn't agree to those things, we don't have the budget for it, we didn't do the surveys to determine that it was needed. We agreed to host it on our land, pay the insurance and to pour one cement pad and put signage. At the time we agreed to that, we didn't know we had to facilitate the money.

It was agreed that Sara, Kathryn, Kim and Lenore will have a meeting with Anita to discuss the partnership.

In the budget, the Nature Connection had about 13K\$ that was supposed to go to Sven to build the trails. Now Anita has basically hired him to do this project. Mrs. Cambria requests that the Board will be OK with her signing a contract with Sven that matches the budget. Mrs. Sharer made a motion to let Lenore Cambria sign a contract with Sven Edstrom for the budgeted amount for the pump track and trails. Mrs. Egging 2<sup>nd</sup> it. The motion passed.

### **- April 1 submission of grant request to Gates Family Foundation, review in June**

### **- April 8th Grant submission to El Pomar, Review in June**

### **- Letter to Daniels Fund, June 15th Deadline for Application**

They responded right away and said yes, we can apply. Lenore would like to do this this week.

### **- Other Funding Sources from Hotchkiss Homeplate**

They are doing a FUN RUN on May 12<sup>th</sup> during the Sheep Dog Trials to raise money.

They are also doing a City Market thing and a DMEA Project Roundup request.

Lenore's hair dresser claims to know a couple of millionaires who like to donate to things like this so Lenore gave her a letter.

Lenore talked to a fundraiser named Dave Vondee who charges 25-30% and runs a fundraiser. He didn't appear to understand our community – he's from Greeley. Michelle Pagone and her board can do this or not, but we aren't going to do that.

**- Requests for Donations:**

**Hotchkiss Homeplate for their Fun Run prizes May 12 - Requesting 2-6 Day Punch Cards**

**Cherry Days requesting 1-Day passes for talent show prizes**

**Delta County Libraries Summer Reading Program - last year gave 4 - One-Day Passes**

Mrs. Oxford made a motion to do the punch cards listed above. Mrs. Sharer 2<sup>nd</sup> it. The motion passed.

**Administrator's Report**

**- Legislative Briefing**

Our legislative elections are switching from odd to even years. If your term was up in 2020, it'll be either a year before or a year after. We could opt in or out to out-of-town property owners vote. We will not opt in to that. They are trying to extend the length of residential assessment from 2 years to 4 years. A church property tax exemption has been opposed and postponed. DOLA grants will have less \$ but an extra cycle.

**- Paonia Invoice for Tennis Courts**

\$2,000 was received from Paonia and the Town of Hotchkiss gave us \$500.

**- Pool Brochure with changes and distribution**

The brochure is at the printer. Lenore got permission from Kurt Clay from the Delta Schools to distribute the brochures at schools. We ordered enough to get 100 to each school.

**- Business Credit Card**

We can look in to getting a Credit Card for the pool to pay things like annual hosting fee and little things that Lenore has to pay out of pocket and get reimbursed.

**- Business Credit Card**

Mrs. Sharer made a motion that If a grant deadline comes up between now and our next meeting, Mrs. Cambria has our permission to apply. Mrs. Egging 2<sup>nd</sup> it. The motion passed.

**Correspondence**

Mrs. Oxford presented the correspondence.

Hotchkiss Chamber Tuesday email

SDA University

Thank you letters from our donations

Collective Impact Symposium

**- Marketing**

Niki shared the advertising for the Paradise Theater, Merchant Herald, and North Fork Visitor Guide.

**Treasurer's Report - Mrs. Egging**

Mrs. Egging presented the financials.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Niki Richardson, Board Clerk

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_