

North Fork Pool, Park and Recreation District

Board Meeting Minutes

Via ZOOM

February 15, 2021

The Board of Directors of the North Fork Pool, Park and Recreation District (NFPPRD) met on ZOOM on Monday, February 15, 2021.

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

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

Review of Agenda: The agenda was reviewed and approved. Ken Butcher made a motion to accept the minutes, Sven Edstrom 2nd it. Motion passed.

Excuse Absences: Kathryn Oxford was absent. A motion was made to excuse Kathryn by Ken Butcher. 2nd by Kim Egging. The motion passed.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of January 18, 2021 – Sven Edstrom made a motion to approve minutes with small changes. 2nd – Ken Butcher. The motion passed.

Pay Bills

Lenore verbally highlighted the newest expenses including a new bill from Board Clerk Niki Richardson who hadn't billed since September. Kim Egging made a motion to pay the bills, Sara Sharer 2nd it. The motion passed.

Public Appearance – There were no public appearances.

Pool Report

Chris was in attendance to report on his activities.

Chris expressed his appreciation for the unexpected raise. He said that swim season will be here before we know it. He's been doing things as weather permits. The water-bottle filling stations and touch-free towel and soap dispensers have all been installed. There are signs to mount for the Ballfields. The southside of the pool building needs to be repainted and the doors stick and are in rough shape. He said that the lifeguards do a great job of keeping the place clean, but the facility is now over 25 years old and needs some extra maintenance. He expects to be busier with the addition of the ballfields but will address that as it comes up.

Ken Butcher inquired if there is a punchlist. Chris said that would be helpful and he will provide one. Sven requested that Chris and Lenore put that together by the next meeting.

Chris is under the impression that Hotchkiss Homeplate will drag and chalk the fields and Greg's Lawn Service will take care of the grass. He is expecting an epic battle with the weeds and prairie dogs – the Prairie Dog Lady has already been engaged. Clarke and Co will also be out to adjust the sprinklers. Chris will evaluate if he needs additional help with the grounds.

Chris was invited to attend the Board Meeting on a quarterly basis. Thanks, Chris!

Judy Coyle and the Pool School Management

Lenore and Kathryn wrote an article for the DCI that was appreciated by the community. We have received a \$50 donation towards something in memoriam of Judy.

Lenore suggested that if we continue to do one-on-one swim lessons due to COVID, we may not need to hire a Pool School Manager this year. After some discussion, we decided to advertise the position because there will be scheduling and personnel management involved and Crystal will not have time to add that to her Lifeguard Supervisor duties. We discussed potential candidates including patrons and WSI teachers from last year.

Pool/Covid

The Delta County Health Department is working with the State to come up with regulations for pool opening, but we expect it to be similar to last year. There will also be rules for all sports gatherings. Kris Crawford from the Youth Soccer Association told Lenore that they are going ahead with their season.

Lenore requested that the Board start thinking about pool rates. Niki said she'd provide a list of last year's rates to get the conversation started.

Lap Swim, Fine Tuning, Water Aerobics and Zumba: General admission \$6 adult / \$5 Senior

Group Swim, big pool:

\$11 for the first 2 people
\$4 each for each additional up to 6 people
\$27 max

Group Swim, wader pool:

\$8 for the first 2 people
\$2 each for each additional up to 5 people
\$14 max

Lessons

\$30 / 30 minutes for 5 days
Kids 6-12 automatically received a \$15 scholarship from The Nature Connection

Season Passes

Family \$150
Adult \$100
Teen/Senior \$75
Kids none: kids couldn't attend alone in 2020

Ken wondered if we test for West Nile Virus. Lenore says we do have a swampy area north of the pool. Lenore said that Mosquito Abatement District manages that and Ken said let's call them to make sure it is being done.

Old Business

- Rick got lumber for the benches. They are in the maintenance shed. He has installed tables and shelves in the scorekeeper boxes. This work is already paid for.
- Randy is working on a punch list for Clarke and Co since some places need to be re-seeded.

- Hotchkiss Home Plate. Terry Pagone told Lenore that they usually start practicing April 1st, weather depending. Lenore said we many have to wait on one of the fields because it is patchy in places and needs to be re-seeded. Sara suggested that Randy sign off on field use to make sure they are healthy.
- Terry and Michelle Pagone are leaving the HHP board. There is a HHP Board Meeting this Wednesday. The NFPPRD Board wants to ensure that they will honor their MOU. Terry told Lenore that if the NFPPRD needs anything to call him. Terry thinks Adam Camacho will take over as Board President. Lenore wants to be sure they will do the work they committed to in the MOU. Kim thinks Adam will do a good job energizing their Board and volunteers. If they cannot not do the work, we will bill them for work we pay for. We will stress that their priority use is based on the partnership.
- Chris will paint the door and window trim of the score keeper boxes when the weather is better.
- Sven is joining a Paonia In Motion focus group on Jumbo. Sara may be able to join a group in the summer.

New Business

- Full Audit

Since we had so much money go in and out of our account last year, we need to do a full audit. Sara made a motion to retain Maggard and Hood to do the audit if the price is within 10% of last year. Kim 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

Administrator's Report

- Field Scheduler

Lenore has proposed a job description for the field schedule. Bo Nerlin is sending Lenore a sample contract. Michelle Pagone has expressed interest in the position. Lenore thought Michelle would be good because she knows how HHP has functioned in the past. The Board thought we should send the job description to both Baseball and Soccer people. Sara proposed we pay them a monthly stipend of \$835.20 per month for 5 months April through August. Kim 2nd. Motion passed.

- Paid Sick Leave

Lenore watched a webinar about Paid Sick Leave, (PSL). The new State Statute applies to ALL employees, including part-timers. We must provide 1 hour PSL per every 30 hours worked. Lenore showed a study of last year's hours to show what that would look like. We will also be required to give Paid Health Emergency Leave (PHEL) up to 2 weeks pay, for leave pertaining to the pandemic.

Sara made a motion to pass the PSL as written. 1hr:30hrs for guards; 1hr:20hrs for Lenore and Chris. Kim 2nd. Motion passed.

- Vaccine Mandate

Bo will provide an opt-out language. We will encourage them to get the vaccine but people have the right to opt out.

- Minimum Wage Increase

Tabled to next meeting

- Sven Edstrom and the Bike Trails

Sven hasn't finished the sign proposal. He will also do a proposal for maintenance. The Nature Connection was going to maintain the trails according to the 2017 MOU, but Priscilla has sent a new MOU she wants Lenore to sign that puts the maintenance on us. Sven suggested we suggest a cost-sharing agreement with them. We want to stress that they received the GOCO grant because of the

partnership with us and the back-pedaling seems out of the spirit of the agreement. The Board suggested Priscilla come speak at our next meeting.

- NF Ambulance Auxiliary will purchase AEDs

The North Fork Ambulance Auxiliary will purchase the AEDs and pads as well as a \$500 donation to underwrite Water Aerobics classes. DCI will do an article.

- Worker's Comp update: Lenore had a deposition and they got a 30 day extension to do one with Crystal.

Marketing – Niki Richardson

Ads & press releases

Judy Coyle press release and email blast

Treasurer's Report – Kim presented the financials.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Niki Richardson, Board Clerk

Approved: _____ Dated: _____