

**North Fork Pool, Park and Recreation District
January 19, 2015 Meeting Minutes**

The Board of Directors of the North Fork Pool, Park and Recreation District (NFPPRD) met on Monday January 19, 2015 at the District office in Hotchkiss.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Ulrich Lange, Mr. Kenneth Butcher, Mrs. Debbie Faulkner, Mrs. Teresa Driscoll, and Mrs. Kathryn Oxford.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Esther Koontz – District Administrator

Mr. Lange called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

REVIEW OF AGENDA: No additions or changes.

MINUTES: Mrs. Oxford made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2014 meeting. Mrs. Faulkner seconded the motion. All present voted aye.

BILLS PRESENTED: Mrs. Driscoll made a motion to pay the bills presented. Mr. Butcher seconded the motion. All present voted aye.

PUBLIC APPEARANCE: None.

OLD BUSINESS: *Scatter ads/school feedback* – Mrs. Oxford has had minimal feedback at Hotchkiss K8. Mrs. Oxford contacted a representative with the Pee Wee Basketball program. Judy Coyle saw a poster at the Blue Sage Center and called in information about Tai Chi classes.

Picnic Shelter/Entrance – Mrs. Koontz suggested waiting until the Fall GOCO grant cycle to apply for a mini-grant for the picnic shelter. With the upcoming expenses at the North Fork Pool, and having to pay for the cost of the shelter up front, time is needed to get partners and prepare for the expense of the building.

S&E Ward's prepared a proposal, with several options, to landscape the entrance in the pool parking lot. They had included rock samples to look at, too. Mr. Lange took the proposal to review and present the option he feels is best.

Trails Master Plan – Mr. Butcher did not have any new information to present.

Skate Park – Mrs. Koontz has the new signs for the Skate Park. They will need to be installed. She also shared some information on components to add to the Skate Park. The addition of a ‘Spine’ and a ‘Bank’ would add to the flow of the existing Quarter pipe, Fun Box and rails without interfering with Pickle ball. The board asked if there could be funds available to add these components through a grant. Mrs. Koontz stated that a GOCO grant could be applied for, but would recommend completing the Picnic Shelter first before applying for funding for the Skate Park. Mr. Lange would like to see a park bench added to the Skate Park, too.

Because the Skate Park lease expires May 24, 2015 and the lease requires a 60-day notice of intent to renew the lease, Mr. Lange will speak with the Paonia Town Manager to discuss renewing the lease.

NEW BUSINESS: *Set meeting date/time/posting place* – Mrs. Driscoll made a motion to continue to hold board meetings on the Third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m., and the posting place is at the North Fork Pool, Park and Recreation District office. Mrs. Oxford seconded the motion. All present voted aye.

Board reorganization – After discussion, the board decided not to make any changes to their current positions on the board. Mr. Lange – President; Mrs. Oxford – Vice-President; Mr. Butcher – Treasurer; Mrs. Driscoll – Secretary; and Mrs. Faulkner – Board member.

Other - Mrs. Driscoll stated that the board did not give Mrs. Koontz a Christmas bonus with the pool staff. Mrs. Oxford made a motion to give Mrs. Koontz the same amount bonus as she was given in 2013. Mrs. Faulkner seconded the motion. All present voted aye.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT: *Correspondence* – Mrs. Koontz presented several Christmas cards from vendors; a thank you note from Dan’s Roofing for allowing them the opportunity to re-roof the pool bathhouse; and the Paonia Chamber of Commerce December newsletter sharing that Mr. Lange had been nominated for the Paonia Citizen of the Year.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT (cont.): Pool painting/filter/pulsar system – Mrs. Koontz presented the three (3) separate proposals by Associated Pools to: 1. Paint the pool and spa (\$40,400.00), 2. Replace the pool sand filter (\$40,000.00), and 3. Replace the pulsar system and BECS controller (\$8,750.00). Mrs. Koontz reviewed these proposals with Mr. Cranor and he felt they were fine except he was not sure that the proposed filter would fit. He will take measurements and then decide if the proposed filter will work. Mrs. Driscoll made a motion to accept the proposed plan by Associated Pool Builders to paint the pool and spa in September 2015 for \$40,400.00. Mrs. Oxford seconded the motion. All present voted aye. Mrs. Driscoll made a motion to accept the proposed plan by Associated Pool Builders to install a new Pulsar system with a BECS controller in September 2015 for \$8,750.00. Mrs. Faulkner seconded the motion. All present voted aye. Mrs. Driscoll made a motion to authorize Mr. Lange to sign a proposal for the purchase of a new sand filter that will fit for \$40,000.00. Mrs. Faulkner seconded the motion. All present voted aye.

Minimum wage increase – Mrs. Koontz stated that the Colorado Minimum Wage has increased to \$8.23 per hour. The North Fork Pool, Park and Recreation District wage scales will need to be adjusted. Mrs. Koontz will make increases similar to last year and present them at the February meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The current expenses exceed revenues. This will change as tax revenues are collected. Mr. Butcher asked if the District should consider placing a mil levy increase question on the ballot. Discussion about a mil levy increase involved the failed measure by the Delta County Library District, the closing of the Oxbow Mine, the reduction in staff at the Bowie Mine, and questioning if tax payers would vote to allow an increase at this time.

REPORT FROM THE BOARD OR THE CLERK: None

Mr. Lange adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Esther Koontz
Acting Clerk

Approved: _____ Date: _____

ACTION ITEMS:

Mr. Lange will review the options to landscape the pool parking lot entrance and suggest the best option at the February 2015 meeting.

Mrs. Koontz will have Skate Park signs installed.

Mr. Lange will speak with the Paonia Town Manager to discuss the renewal of the Skate Park lease.

Mrs. Koontz will speak to Mr. Cranor about the proposed sand filter fitting in the pool mechanical room.

Mrs. Koontz will prepare new wage scales for consideration at the February meeting.