

**North Fork Pool, Park and Recreation District
Board Meeting Minutes
September 21, 2015**

The Board of Directors of the North Fork Pool, Park and Recreation District (NFPPRD) met on Monday, September 21, 2015 at the District office in Hotchkiss.

Board Members Present: Mrs. Driscoll, Mrs. Oxford and Mr. Butcher and incoming member Mrs. Sharer

Others Present: David Young, Facilities Maintenance Employee, Lenore Cambria, District Administrator, and Niki Richardson, Board Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. Mrs. Oxford led the meeting in Mr. Lange's absence.

Review of Agenda: No changes were made.

Minutes

The minutes from August 17th were discussed. Mrs. Driscoll made a motion to accept the minutes and Mr. Butcher seconded and the motion was passed.

Bills Presented

Mrs. Cambria presented a list of bills to be approved and the members reviewed the printed list. Mrs. Driscoll made a motion and Ken 2nd it to accept and pay the bills. The motion passed.

POOL REPORT

The group took a tour to see the progress of the renovations before the meeting. Everything is on schedule and next steps were described.

SWEARING IN OF Mrs. Sharer

Mrs. Sharer read the Oath of Office document out loud and signed it.

Progress Report on the New Pool System

Carbon Dioxide vs. Muriatic Acid for Pool Maintenance

The proposal from Hartman Bros for using CO2 to maintain the pool pH balance was presented and discussed. Hartman Bros has been consulted about a green CO2 system.

Hartman Bros already works with Big Bs and the Revolution Brewery but this is their first pool. They are very excited to be involved with pools and because of the benefits to them they are giving us a break in price by only charging us for the months we use the service, not the whole year. Hartman Bros will work with us to discover the nuances of the system and get a baseline for their future pool business. This CO2 system will drastically reduce some of the safety issues and it has been recommended by other users such as Lincoln Pool as a viable alternative.

Mrs. Cambria made an executive decision last week and sent the muriatic acid back, assuming that the decision to switch to this better system will be approved.

Mr. Young suggested that the contract with Hartman to lock the price in for at least 3 years.

Mrs. Cambria requested permission to have VP Mrs. Oxford to sign a bid for the equipment from Associated Pools on this CO2 system if the bid is similar to the original bid. Mrs. Driscoll made a motion to give Mrs. Oxford the authority to sign what needs to be signed. Mrs. Sharer 2nded the motion and it passed.

KIDS' KINGDOM

Mr. Young presented about the Kids' Kingdom.

There are standards in playground design set by the US consumer product safety commission.

- There are 5-10 things wrong on our playground.
- There is no egress since they did drainage work.
- The playground is 13-14 years old
- At the time it was designed to be ADA accessible
- Placards that are on devices indicate the need for 10" of impact material under many of the pieces of the equipment.
- the tires should come out

There was a discussion about the history of the playground, liability and various solutions to the playground maintenance/fencing/dismantling/replacement. The possibility of applying for a GOCO grant to replace it was discussed. It was suggested that we try for a planning grant this year. Mrs. Sharer suggested a press release to let the community know that we're removing it because of risk and are applying for grants and community donations to replace it with modern equipment.

Mr. Butcher made a motion to seek bids on playground removal. Mrs. Driscoll 2nded. The motion was passed. Mr. Young said he would help write the RFB.

SKATEPARK

Mr. Butcher said they tore out broken angle iron. We need to epoxy the concrete. Mr. Young said he can make the piece and epoxy the grout. Mr. Butcher said he'd help. Mr. Butcher noticed a crack in one of the board on the ramp. He got a sheet to replace it. Mrs. Cambria reported that the town did come and replace the railing.

PICKLEBALL LINES

Mrs. Cambria was referred to a pickleball line painter by the Montrose Rec District and received a bid for \$3,285. Along with approval from the local tennis coach, Bill Heddles has also had positive response to having pickleball lines on their tennis courts.

Details

- pickleball lines are a different color.
- The Montrose person said they skipped over the tennis lines so there would be no overlap of the paint lines in case there is elevation change.
- 8 courts (2 on each court).

Budgeting

- We get \$2,000 per year from Paonia to maintain that court, so we've already paid for this.

Scheduling

- It is a 2-day process. Oct 16th is when State tennis is over. Spring is not good because they start girls' tennis so early. If the lines cannot be completed this fall, they will paint them during the summer of 2016.

Mrs. Sharer made a motion to go with the bid after Oct 16. Mr. Butcher 2nded it; the motion passed.

GOCO grant

Mrs. Cambria gave a report on her GOCO grant seminar.

We're going for a mini-grant for shade shelter which will include lighting and electricity. Mrs. Cambria is also investigating the possibility of submitting a planning grant to replace the playground including landscaping. There is only going to be one grant cycle this year. Deadline November 4th.

Mrs. Sharer said she would help get community input on what kinds of equipment they want. You get points for community support and kids involved and community involvement.

The history of the need of the shade shelter was discussed. Other support documents were discussed like CHC and Paonia Trustees letters of support.

Mrs. Driscoll made a motion for Mrs. Cambria to work on the grant proposals for the shelter and the planning of playground for November of 2015. Mrs. Oxford 2nd. The motion passed.

TRAILS

Mr. Butcher said that tomorrow he'd attend a committee meeting between the Dept wildlife, mines, BLM, Forest Service to see which trails have been closed illegally and get those back open. He reported on the trail initiative from the Governor's office.

CLEANING CONTRACT

A contract was drafted between Anita Violett and the North Fork Pool. Mrs. Violett thought that the contract looks good but that she's not going to continue cleaning the building. A quick change was made to the contract to remove a specific fee for time over one hours spent. Any interested parties should contact Mrs. Cambria. Mr. Butcher will contact someone who may be interested.

PICKLEBALL

There will be no pickleball at Harvest Festival.

MAINTENANCE POSITION TITLE CHANGE

Mr. Young requested a change in title to Mechanical/Facilities Maintenance Employee. Mrs. Sharer made a motion and Mrs. Driscoll 2nd. The motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE

- DMEA member's appreciation day
- NewOrleans convention
- Cards for outgoing people were passed around for signatures.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Banking interest rates were discussed if we can get a better rate somewhere else. There is a \$115,000 carryover from one year to the other, so that could add up to real money if we got good rate. Lenore should look into rates.

Mr. Butcher presented the Treasurer's Report.

We are holding our own and everything appears to be balanced. Nothing is unexpected. Salaries and utilities will be going down post-pool season. Besides capital outlay for the pool, there is nothing exceptional. The lottery payment is late in arriving.

\$582 dollars was made at the snack bar. Kids want lunch items to eat, not candy.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Niki Richardson, Board Clerk

Approved: _____ Dated: _____

Action Items

- Seek bids on playground removal Mr. Young said he would help write the RFP.
- Write GOCO grants due November 4th for shade structure and playground.
- Press release to let the community know that we're removing it because of risk and are applying for grants and community donations to replace it with modern equipment.
- Talk to the insurance company about the playground equipment liability.
- Complete the repairs on the skate park.