



# Parks and Trails Board

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## POWELL COUNTY PARKS BOARD

Regular Meeting – December 16th – 5 PM

1. Call to Order at 5:05 pm
2. Roll Call
  - i. Bob Rase Present
  - ii. Andy Fischer Present
  - iii. John Molendyke Present
  - iv. Julie Croglio Present
  - v. Gary Swant Present
  - vi. Scott Hazelton Present
  - vii. Doug Crachy Absent
3. Approval of Minutes
  - a. None
4. Financial Report None
5. Public Comments None
6. Public Hearings None
7. Regular Business
  - a. Bylaw Updates

It was discussed that the parks board bylaws were out of date and needed further clarification on the powers of the board. It was suggested by several members of the board that it be written to include more than just the management of Arrowstone Park as the county parks inventory is growing. Member Swant suggested we rename the board to be the Powell County Parks and Trails board. Several updates were discussed as well including Meeting Times, Location of the Planner's Office. President Fischer said he would provide a draft for review and approval at a later meeting.

b. Board Term Renewals and Positions

Member Swant stated that he had received his letter from the county. Member Molendyke's letter should come from the city for renewal. It was also discussed by the board about potentially adding a youth member to the board. It was decided in a favorable motion that this position should be incorporated in the by-laws update. Member Rase stated that he would contact someone at the school to inquire after a potential candidate.

c. Tobacco Policy

The Tobacco Policy was updated for more concise language. Member Swant proposed a version of the policy. Mr. Hazelton suggested the addition of E-Cigarettes and Marijuana considering new trends and legislation. Member Swant said he would revise as necessary and send for board approval through email.

d. Arrowstone

Member Swant replaced the cover for the trash cans. These had been previously stolen or lost due to weather. There was discussion that Mary Hathaway's son was still interested in redecking the bridges out at Arrowstone for his Eagle Scout Project. Further collaboration will be needed. Mr. Hazelton was tasked with finding the MOU that states that DEQ responsible for the finances that are acquired from maintenance at Arrowstone Park.

e. The OYT Updates and Maintenance items

President Fischer talked to Kathryn McEnery, the county attorney, about the county road and she stated that further research was being conducted by Greg Schultz, a road law specialist out of Missoula.

f. City of Deer Lodge Parks and Trails Steering Committee and Open House update

Member Rase gave an update on the City of Deer Lodge's Trails Open House. He attended, with Mr. Hazelton, an open house put on by Stahly Engineering to produce a trails master plan for the City of Deer Lodge. Member Rase raised some concerns about connectivity to the county trails system.

8. Approval of Expenditures      None

9. County Commissioner Update    None

10. Staff Reports & Informational Items

Mr. Hazelton was tasked with drafting a letter of support for the City of Deer Lodge Chief Administration Officer from the Parks Board. Mr. Hazelton stated he will draft a letter and send around for Board approval.

11. Scheduling of Next Meeting – January 20th

12. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 pm.