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MINUTES Powell County Parks Board

The Arrowstone Park Board met in regular session on Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 5 PM in the Courthouse's Conference Room.

Members Present: Andy Fischer, John Molendyke, Gary Swant
Members Absent: Bob Rase, Julie Croglia
County Commissioner: Doug Crachy (Absent – commissioners not in session)
Staff: Carl Hamming
Guests: Mary Hathaway

Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

President Fischer called the meeting to order at 5:10 PM.

Agenda Item #2 – Call to Order

The Board met with three members present. Therefore, a quorum was established.

Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Minutes

August 28th

Member Swant made a motion that was seconded by Member Molendyke to approve the minutes as submitted. The Board approved the motion through a vote of three to zero.

Agenda Item #4 – Financial Report

Commissioner Crachy was not in session and unavailable for the meeting.

Agenda Item #5 – Public Hearings

None

Agenda Item # 6 – Regular Business

a. Trails Committee Update

Mr. Hamming informed the Board about the substance of the Trails meeting from earlier in the day. Trails Committee Member Bohrer received the six benches through her Parenting Montana grant. The Committee discussed potential locations for several of them including the Bauman donated property and the Johnson Creek Trail. The remainder of the items will be discussed during the regularly scheduled agenda topics.

b. RTP Grant Ideas

Mr. Hamming passed around the most recent version of the trail concept for Jaycee Park with enhanced connectivity to the Johnson Creek Trail. Mr. Hamming explained that the City will be the applicant, as the majority of the proposed work will take place on city-owned land. The City and County are hoping to set up a meeting with the RTP manager at FWP in November to get general feedback on the concept.

c. Arrowstone Eagle Scout Project – Eli Hathaway

Mary Hathaway attended the meeting as Eli was out of town and updated the Board that Eli is now ready to proceed with the bridge replacement project. He had to get authorization and wait for the appropriate time of year. He is hoping to complete the work in the next few weeks. He will double check that the quote for materials is still valid before purchasing. Mr. Hamming asked that Eli notify the Board prior to work so that the County can post notice at Arrowstone Park.

d. Old Yellowstone Trail

Mr. Hamming discussed the recent progress meeting with Mungas and informed the Board that Jeremy predicted they're 40-45% complete with the work. They are slotted to complete the work by mid-December. Due to the recent winter weather, they had to request one weather day. The cement was to be poured that day during the nice weather. Mr. Hamming discussed the options to mow or apply soil sterilant and the Board agreed to pursue the exposed debris and cables and not worry about sterilant or temporary mowing. Mr. Hamming discussed the recent draft version of the legal opinion that the County Attorney wrote regarding the status of the old county road. It is being sent to several adjacent landowners in an attempt to gather feedback as the plans for Phase II are developed.

e. Post Office Park

Member Swant discussed the need for a formal agreement to be developed with the Post Office to clarify the status of Mr. Swant's efforts to clean up and maintain the post office park. Mr. Hamming with chat with Juan the Postmaster this winter to determine the need for an MOU to cover liability.

Agenda Item # 7 – Approval of Expenditures

None

Agenda Item # 8 – County Commissioner's Update

Commissioner Crachy was unavailable.

Agenda Item # 9 –Staff Report & Informational Items

Mr. Hamming told the Board about the upcoming Warm Springs Ponds event taking place at the Community Center on October 22nd.

Mr. Hamming also mentioned that Member Rase and Mr. Denty completed staining the gazebos at Arrowstone and that a thank-you note had been sent. The shelters look to be in good shape for the winter.

Agenda Item # 10 – Scheduling of Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for November 20th.

Agenda Item # 11 - Public Comment

None

Agenda Item # 12 - Adjourn

President Fischer ended the meeting at 5:55 PM.

Andy Fischer, President

Date