

**ISLAND GROVE REGIONAL PARK ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES – October 7, 2021**

1. ROLL CALL

The Island Grove Advisory Board met on Thursday, October 7, at 4:01 p.m. at Island Grove Regional Park's Event Center Conference Room- A. Board members present; Tim Magnuson, Mary Bohlender, Dennie Kutcher, James Herman, Bill Hall, and Tommy Butler. Ad Hoc members present were Judy Rayburn, Justin Watada, Hannah Swanbom, and Heather Andersen. Board members absent; Lori Saine. Staff present; Thomas Welch (Island Grove Manager), Debra Warner (Facility Supervisor), and Andy McRoberts (CPRD Director). Public present: None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the previous meeting in August were approved as presented.

3. PUBLIC INPUT

None

4. AD HOC REPORTS

Greeley Kennel Club- Judy Rayburn- Mrs. Rayburn announced to the board that the 2021 Greeley Kennel Club show was a success with over 2300 entries. Mrs. Rayburn reported there were 24 specialties and 3 national dog shows with them. Many kudos were given regarding facilities and grounds maintenance. Mrs. Rayburn expects the 2022 GKC Show to be just as big.

Greeley Stampede- Justin Watada- Mr. Watada mentioned the Greeley Stampede working on closing the books in 2021 to get ready for the 2022 event. Mr. Watada told board members the new stage construction has finally broken ground in hopes for the beginning of the stage building to happen in November. Mr. Watada estimated the new stage would be completed by early April 2022. Mr. Watada announced the Greeley Stampede will be renovating the skybox area in the Arena Grandstands. The Stampede is planning on updating the elevator, restrooms, kitchen, and boxes.

Weld County Extension- Hannah Swanbom- No Report

Greeley Chamber- Heather Andersen- Mrs. Andersen introduced herself to the board members. Mrs., Andersen notified board members that the Greeley Lights the Nights Parade will be back this year on November 27 and is still taking entries and sponsorships.

5. STAFF REPORTS

Tom Welch- Mr. Welch reported to board members of past and current events from September to October. Mr., Welch also mention Island Grove has recently lost four employees due to high wages. Mr. Welch noted that Southeast Publications would be on-site to revise our RV Park Maps at the end of October.

Andy McRoberts- Andy McRoberts notified the board members the City of Greeley is looking into a Common Class Study on Market Analysis for each department and a current hearing to the council for approval on the budget. Mr. McRoberts mentioned that the Master Plan from 2016 included a new facility for the Parks Maintenance Shop which is looking at using the land west of Island Grove for a location. Mr. McRoberts added that the City of Greeley is still working with the Boys and Girls Club of Weld County to add a Teen Center on the South Side

of Centennial Village and mentioned it will take a lot of fundraising to help get this project started. Mr. McRoberts announced to board and Adhoc members that he will be resigning at the end of the month.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Tom Welch explained that parks staff has installed new signage on Island Grove two existing pavilions and the City of Greeley will be breaking ground soon on the four new shelters near Aven's Village.

7. OLD BUSINESS

None

8. UPCOMING AGENDAS –

Update on new Arena stage progress

Update on handrails in Arena

Presentation on new Boys & Girls Club Teen Center

9. NEXT MEETING – Scheduled for Thursday, December 2, 4 p.m.- Island Grove Regional Park- Conference Room A

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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