



GREELEY PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 2022 -- 7:00am

Greeley Recreation Center – 651 10th Avenue, Room 101C

Zoom Option: <https://greeleygov.zoom.us/j/88326788832> Passcode: 788879

Agenda

- 1. Roll Call**
- 2. Approval of Agenda**
- 3. Approval of Minutes**
- 4. Public Input**
- 5. Board Member Committee Reports: Art Commission - Other**
- 6. Staff Reports**
- 7. Old Business**
 - A. Art Commission - Presentation by Kim Snyder: Appoint Member of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board to Serve on the Arts Commission
- 8. New Business**
 - A. Speak Up Greeley Presentation: Sam Haas (Communication & Engagement)
- 9. Upcoming Agendas**
- 10. Next Meeting Set – Tentatively Friday, September 2, 2022**
- 11. Adjournment**

Board members unable to join this meeting, please notify
Clint Torczon (Chair) at: clint.torczon.j1en@statefarm.com

GREELEY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES – June 3, 2022

1. ROLL CALL

The Greeley Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met Friday, June 3, 2022, at 7:00am at the Family FunPlex. Board members joining: Clint Torczon, Monica Ramirez, Philip Fulcher, Louise Wilson, Vicente Vega Ruiz, Shane Kigin, Scott McPherson, Sharon Wright and Luis Casillas. Staff joining: Kelly Snook (Interim Director of Culture, Parks, and Recreation), Scott Schuttenberg (Recreation Superintendent), Karen Scopel (Environmental Planner), Eric Bloomer (Parks Superintendent), and Nancy Milton (Office Manager). Introduction of new member, Sharon Wright.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – No changes

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – A motion was made by Monica Ramirez to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion was seconded by Vicente Vega Ruiz and passed unanimously.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

5. BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS – Art Commission:

6. STAFF REPORTS

Scott Schuttenberg

- We are in a much better place than most communities with staffing levels of lifeguards in order open both outdoor pools last week.
- A new Recreation Coordinator for Youth Sports has been hired.
- The Fun in the Sun Program is finishing up week two and all 200 spots for that program are filled as well as 75 additional kids at Anna Gimmestad.
- Staff are still working to fill the vacant Recreation Supervisor position for the Ice Haus.

Eric Bloomer

- Staff continue to face the challenge of getting applicants for seasonal positions. At this time of the year Parks normally has 50-60 seasonals and this year there are only 14. Staff is focused on safety issues first, but some other maintenance areas are not being done on a regular basis.
- Park shelters are available for rent this year on a limited basis and with each available shelter blocked out one weekend a month.

Karen Scopel for Justin Scharton

- Natural Areas & Trails currently have no seasonal staff as yet.
- There is a volunteer work day scheduled for tomorrow at Shurview. Interested individuals may register online and waivers will need to be signed.
- Karen distributed usage charts and presented an overview on tracking of the trail counters over the last four years.

- Philip Fulcher asked for an update on the City Council discussion on a survey for Open Space. Kelly Snook reported Council voted against polling the community. This is a topic for possible placement on a future agenda for this Board and Kelly also recommended Board members watch the recording of the Tuesday City Council meeting.

Kelly Snook

- Board members should all have received a “save the date” notice to the Grand Re-Opening of the back nine at Boomerang Golf Course Friday, June 17. An email invitation to RSVP will be forwarded within the next week.
- The Blues Jam is taking place at Island Grove this weekend and the Fishing Derby is Saturday at Sanborn Park.
- The City-Wide Needs Assessment was sent out for bid and only one firm submitted a proposal. Staff will interview that firm and if not selected, the request for proposals will be sent out again.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Election of Board Chair and Vice Chair:

- Shane Kigin nominated Clint Torczon for the position of Board Chair, and Clint Torczon nominated Scott McPherson. Clint Torczon accepted the nomination, and the Board unanimously approved his appointment as Chair.
- Clint Torczon nominated Vicente Vega Ruiz for Vice Chair. The Board voted unanimously to appoint Vicente as Vice-Chair.

B. Appoint Member of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board to Serve on the Arts

Commission: Both Louise Wilson and Sharon Wright voiced interest in serving as the liaison to the Arts Commission. Scott Schuttenberg suggested Jason Evenson and Kim Snyder be invited to the next Board meeting to give an overview of the Arts Commission and then the Board could move forward with appointing the liaison.

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. UPCOMING AGENDAS

- Open Space
- Arts Commission

10. NEXT MEETING – The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Friday, July 1, 2022, at 7am at the Greeley Recreation Center.

11. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 8:05am.

Respectfully submitted:

Scott McPherson, Chair

Nancy Milton, Office Manager

PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

STAFF REPORTS – August 5, 2022

[Kelly Snook – Interim Director of Culture, Parks, and Recreation](#)

[Eric Bloomer – Parks Superintendent](#)

PARKS:

- All work at the Greeley West Playground is complete and it has been well received by the public. We have taken multiple calls expressing thanks for the new equipment, and some of the neighbors have told us they are finally seeing families back in the park enjoying the new amenities as well.
- The tennis courts at Farr Park will be under construction this fall. The contract was signed by Renner Sports to replace the existing tennis courts with a new concrete slab and fences creating 2 pickle ball courts and 1 tennis court. Construction will take all of the fall to build the new courts, and then they will come back in the spring to apply the acrylic topcoat and the nets.
- Construction is starting on phase II of Centennial Park. The new irrigation system and landscaping will be going in through the fall and likely into spring 2023. All sports have been moved out of the facility for fall so we will have no impact to our users from construction.
- Due to staffing shortages, many park sites are only being mowed once per week. The result is those sites are looking a bit shaggy by the time the next mowing rolls around, but there hasn't been any other issues. Since we were unable to fertilize this year because the contractor had no drivers, the grass isn't growing as fast as it normally does so this hasn't caused a lot of heartburn.
- We hosted the 100th Stampede and it was a massive success. We ran into issues keeping up with trash and restrooms on the big concert nights, but staff did work hard so it wasn't as noticeable to the guests.
- The County Fair has taken over Island Grove for the annual Weld County Fair and then dog show season begins in the park.
- Lincoln Park once again hosted the Arts Picnic July 30th & 31st.
- Neighborhood Nights Movies begin August 5th. The schedule is listed at the bottom of the page under "Upcoming Events".

FORESTRY:

- Forestry Staff are planning the fall pruning program for park and city owned street trees
- Forestry has completed the 2022 treatment of all identified City owned Ash trees for the EAB. We have a 3-year rotation plan for Ash trees that have been identified as healthy enough to save and treat for EAB.

LINN GROVE CEMETERY:

- Linn Grove Cemetery continues to be busy with multiple services several days of the week. Staff are primarily working on keeping up with general maintenance as best as possible while shorthanded on seasonal labor.
 - The new irrigation project for Linn Grove came in substantially higher than the original project budget because of the inflation on PVC parts and irrigation supplies such as valves and spray heads. Current inflationary numbers are over 100% on many of these items. The project will be pushed to 2023 and re-budgeted with inflation in mind, and then re-bid for construction.

[Scott Schuttenberg - Recreation Superintendent](#)

Family FunPlex

- Current Programs
 - July Swim lessons has 210 registrations
 - Ultimate Babysitting bootcamp has 19 registrations

- Safe Sitter has 7 registrations
 - Swim-In Movie has 367 registrations
- Upcoming Programs and Events
 - August Swim lesson starts August 1
 - Outdoor pools will only open on weekends starting August 15
- Hiring Updates
 - Hiring 2 more lifeguards for the fall season
 - Hired 4 new part time guest service reps

Recreation Center

- Current Programs
 - Youth Athletic Conditioning session has 18 registrations
 - Personal Training has 69 training sessions up 15 from last month
- Upcoming Programs and Events
 - Tumbling next session will begin on August 1
 - Lofts @ St. Michael's Community Event will be on August 19

Rodarte Community Center

- Current Programs
 - Rodarte Fun in the Sun has 195 registrations
 - Anna Gimmestad has 68 registrations
 - STEM Summer Scholars had 16 registered participants
- Boxing Program:
 - 26 youth and 4 adults registered
- Hiring Updates
 - Staffing shortages for the Fun in the Sun program due to the lack of qualified staff for Program Leads.

Ice Haus

- Current Programs
 - The Cub Hockey program has 89 registrations
 - The Learn-to-Skate program has 133 registrations
 - Rec Hockey has 49 registrations
 - Adult Hockey leagues have 205 registrations
- Upcoming Programs and Events
 - Hockey Camp will be Aug 1-5
 - Monster Skate is a special event that will be held August 20
 - Summer Session II Learn-to-Skate starts Aug 6
 - Summer Session II Cub Hockey starts Aug 7
 - Ice Haus Classic Adult Hockey Tournament will be Aug 26-28
- Hiring Updates
 - Search for Ice Haus Supervisor is ongoing.

Active Adult Center

- Upcoming Programs and Events
 - Senior Pickleball Tournament will be Aug 17-19
 - Corn Hole Tournament will be Aug 25
 - Cracovia Polish-American Restaurant trip is scheduled for Aug 12
 - Dinosaur Ridge trip will be Aug 17
 - Strike it Rich Casino trip will be Aug 19
 - Downtown Aquarium trip is scheduled for Aug 17
- Hiring Updates
 - AAC Supervisor position is posted.

Sports and Programs

- Youth Sports
 - Youth Sports – Fall registration is in progress. Registration is going very well for the fall with record breaking numbers for priority registration.
 - This fall, the under 12 age group was added for soccer and an Under 14 age group for flag football.
 - Summer camps conclude on Aug 5. We had 13 different sports camps serving 484 participants this summer.
 - Current Registration Numbers
 - Flag Football – 232 (260 average for 2022)
 - Soccer – 372 (460 average for 2022)
 - Skateboarding - 10
 - Tennis - 7
- Adult Sports –
 - Summer Sand Volleyball League – 11 teams
 - Summer Softball league - 76 teams
 - Inline Hockey league – 10 teams
 - Registration currently open for adult fall sports – indoor volleyball, inline hockey, adult softball and basketball tournament in Oct.
 - Staff are adding a basketball league and adult soccer league for the Spring season.
- AIR –
 - AIR is currently working on identifying new program areas.
 - Creating a recreation buddy program and an adaptive pre-school play program that will be available as early as September.
 - AIR has provided several inclusions for summer camp offerings allowing kids with disabilities to participate in the traditional setting.
 - Social series for adults with intellectual disabilities consistently has 5-8 participants.
 - AIR is offering several fall opportunities:
 - AIR soccer clinic (2 age groups)
 - Special Olympics Bowling
 - Craft series that meets monthly
 - Cultural outings- meets once monthly
 - Social Series: Meets once monthly
 - Unified Volleyball team
 - Unified Softball Team (taking both team and individual registrations)
- Hiring –
 - Several youth sports officials are returning; however, 2 additional flag football officials and 4 youth soccer officials are still needed.
 - Adult sports officials and supervisors are fully staffed.

Justin Scharton – Natural Areas & Trails

Poudre and Sheep Draw trail counts | No trail counts this month as NAT transitions Poudre Trail counts from Poudre River Trail Corridor, Inc. and installs a new trail counter on the Sheep Draw trail at McCloskey Natural Area.

Staffing

- Hired two vegetation management seasonal staff and brought on Kristen Wilkinson as a two-year GOCO-funded Community Conservation Fellow.

Capital Projects

- **Poudre River Trail – Duran Section** | Design has been completed, team is waiting for National Park Service contract execution for grant funding to proceed with project and landowner negotiation on trail easement.
- **Poudre River Trail – Poudre Ponds** | A design concept has been selected and the City's consultant is proceeding with the modeling for the design. Emergency repair upgrades were completed in late April ahead of this season's runoff. The pond has been opened and users are again enjoying the recreation opportunities at the property.

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