

GREELEY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES – August 6, 2021

1. ROLL CALL

The Greeley Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met Friday, August 6, 2021 at 7:00am in person at the Family FunPlex. Board members joining were: Scott McPherson, Mikyla Silva, Monica Ramirez, Clint Torczon and Vincente Vega Ruiz. Staff joining were: Andy McRoberts (Director of Culture, Parks, and Recreation), Eric Bloomer (Parks Superintendent), Scott Schuttenberg (Recreation Superintendent), Justin Scharton (Natural Areas and Trails Superintendent), Shiloh Hatcher (Forestry Manager) and Leslie Evans (Administrative Specialist II).

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion to accept by Clint Torczon, second by Scott McPherson.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – A motion was made by Scott McPherson to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion was seconded by Mikyla Silva and passed unanimously.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

5. BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS – Art Commission: Board member Caitlin Alexander recently resigned her voting member position of the Greeley Arts Commission (appointed by the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board) as well as her position on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. A replacement appointee is requested. The Arts Commission meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 4:00pm. The Commission will resume in person meetings at the Greeley Recreation Center, Room 201, but there may be virtual options available in the near future.

6. STAFF REPORTS

Andy McRoberts

- Andy will be meeting with the Greeley Police Department and Eric to address ongoing vandalism issues, as well as possible drug problems and recent, escalated altercations. Damage has included spray painted garbage cans, kicked sprinkler heads, and broken shrubs at Centennial; as well as repeated damage to an adjacent self-storage's vinyl fencing at the 3rd Street Plaza. The City will be installing chain-link with barbed wire at that location to correct the problem.

Justin Scharton

- Continuing to struggle with personnel issues, however, the division was able to bring in Anthony Ibarra as a full-time Tech II. The division will be focusing on catching up summer projects, including working with Otak to repair sections of the Poudre Trail east of the Red Barn/71st Ave. The COTREX app for trail maps and trails will launch this fall.

Eric Bloomer

- Parks is continuing to focus on maintenance and preparation for fall sports. Despite the ongoing pandemic, the Stampede saw a relatively equal overall attendance to 2019 numbers. New pickle ball courts are coming to Farr Park in 2022. They will consider additional pickle ball courts at future parks, possibly at West Gate.

Scott Schuttenberg

- The division filled 17 new full time positions in addition to five promotions and job changes in the last 6 months. Unfortunately, 171 part time positions remain vacant. Scott shared hiring information (i.e. age limits) to promote hiring efforts for officiants and support staff at both the Rodarte Center and the Anna Gimmestad facility. The After School Program will open at the Rodarte Center on August 16. Beginning August 14 the Centennial Pool will open for public swim, weekends only, for the remainder of the season through Labor Day.

7. OLD BUSINESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Appointment to Greeley Arts Commission: The Board will wait for the full Board before appointing a new candidate.
- B. Intergovernmental Agreement for cooperative land conservation and management of regional open space: The City of Greeley and Town of Windsor are interested in a joint effort to collaborate within the communities respective growth areas regarding management, cost sharing, and connecting the trails between the two entities. Following discussion, Clint Torczon made a motion to support the Intergovernmental Agreement and to recommend adoption by Resolution to City Council. The motion was seconded by Mikyla Silva, and passed unanimously.

9. UPCOMING AGENDAS

- Naming of East Greeley Natural Area site
- Metro Districts and incorporation of parks/public lands and amenities
- Potential renaming of East Memorial Park
- CPRD Assessment results

- 10. NEXT MEETING** – The Board will not be meeting in September to observe the Labor Day holiday. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 1 at 7 am, tentatively at Balsam Park.

- 11. ADJOURNMENT** – Scott McPherson adjourned the meeting at 8:00 am.

Respectfully submitted:

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Scott McPherson

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Scott McPherson, Chair

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