

GREELEY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES – October 1, 2021

1. ROLL CALL

The Greeley Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met Friday, October 1, 2021 at 7:00am in person at Balsam Park. Board members joining were: Scott McPherson, Mikyla Silva, Monica Ramirez, Phil Fulcher, Louise Wilson and Vincente Vega Ruiz. Staff joining were: Andy McRoberts (Director of Culture, Parks, and Recreation), Steve Frederick (Parks Manager), Scott Schuttenberg (Recreation Superintendent), Justin Scharton (Natural Areas and Trails Superintendent) and Leslie Evans (Administrative Specialist II).

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – approved without vote.

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 – Vicente Vega Ruiz suggested the addition of a mini pitch the size of a basketball court for community sports. Other cities have converted older tennis or basketball courts. From brief board brainstorming, suggestions for possible site: Monfort Park, East Memorial, or Delta Park.

5. BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS – Art Commission: The sculpture install at Balsam Park is nearly complete. The artist will be at the opening.

6. STAFF REPORTS

Andy McRoberts

- Andy will be leaving the Department effective October 30.

Justin Scharton

- Brett Peyton will be attending Balsam Park, and yet to be named natural area, for grand opening ribbon cutting. Staff will be reaching out to east side community for ideas. Despite the continued short staffing, the new Tech II has been excelling, allowing Natural Areas and Trails to develop two new trails.

Steve Frederick

- Parks is focusing on winterizing and closing out the season. Restrooms will close in November. Centennial Phase 1 will be complete in time for Phase 2 in spring. Finally, Hazelton will have a new 10 zone irrigation system for the new green area.

Scott Schuttenberg

- Feeling cautiously optimistic with an increase in membership and the uptake in hiring, including the selection of a new Recreation Supervisor at the Family FunPlex. Two Recreation Manager positions have been posted.

7. OLD BUSINESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Memorial Bench Application: An application from the Moore family has been submitted for consideration at Monfort Park. The site requested is a good choice for all involved. Scott McPherson made a motion to accept the application, seconded by Mikyla Silva. Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Park Naming: The public input campaign for new park names is complete. A new natural area will also be named utilizing public input. Deadline for input is December 3. Board members will review all names suggested by the community and reconsider at the next meeting. The Board will abandon the East Memorial Park renaming discussion.
- C. Review of CPRD Assessment: After a six month process with consultant firm HRQ and the City Manager's office, findings of the included the creation of five new management positions, and hrQ (consultant) has suggested creating a separate department for Culture operations. The new department would potentially include Island Grove Regional Park. A recommendation for a community needs assessment is also a high need and is budgeted in 2022.

9. UPCOMING AGENDAS

- Naming of East Greeley Natural Area site
- Metro Districts and incorporation of parks/public lands and amenities

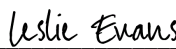
10. NEXT MEETING – The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 5, 2021 at 7:00 am.
Location TBD

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

Respectfully submitted:

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12/3/2021
Scott McPherson, Chair

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12/6/2021
Leslie Evans, Administrative Specialist II