

GREELEY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES – December 3, 2021

1. ROLL CALL

The Greeley Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met Friday, December 3, 2021 at 7:00am at the Greeley Recreation Center. Board members joining were: Scott McPherson, Marshall Parks, Mikyla Silva, Philip Fulcher, Clint Torczon, Louise Wilson, Monica Ramirez and Vincente Vega Ruiz. Staff joining were: Kelly Snook (Interim Director of Culture, Parks, and Recreation), Eric Bloomer (Parks Superintendent), Scott Schuttenberg (Recreation Superintendent), Justin Scharton (Natural Areas and Trails Superintendent), and Nancy Milton (Office Manager).

- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – A motion was made by Clint Torczon to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Vincente Vega Ruiz.

- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – A motion was made by Clint Torczon to approve the minutes of the October meeting. The motion was seconded by Vincente Vega Ruiz and passed unanimously.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

- 5. BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS** – Art Commission: No report

6. STAFF REPORTS

Justin Scharton

- Great Outdoor Colorado will be recommending on December 9, to award the City of Greeley \$1.6 million over three different grants. Approximately \$1.5 million would go toward acquisition of the Shurview property and the remaining \$160,000 would toward a partnership with Weld County Youth Corp to open and develop a basic trail system to get people out on the Shurview property in 2022. We are also recommended for 2 year GOCO Fellow which will focus on public engagement and advocating for the Shurview acquisition and possibly working toward an open space sales tax ballot measure in the coming year.

Eric Bloomer

- Staff are working on winterization of facilities, but are also continuing to water some sites due to the dry conditions. The plan is to wrap up the construction project at Broadview playground, but there have been delays in getting supplies/parts. Upcoming projects include playgrounds at Greeley West, Sanborn, Farr and Anna Gimmestad.

Scott Schuttenberg

- Facilities and programs have reached or are nearing pre-COVID participation numbers.
- The Rodarte Center will be hosting the Community Christmas Party on December 11 and will be distributing over 2,200 gifts. The Center has received several donations from community sponsors to help with this annual event.
- The Active Adult Center is in the process of hiring a Recreation Coordinator to resume programming of days trips.
- The two vacant Recreation Program Manager positions have been filled. Mark Mann has been promoted from the Ice Haus and has already begun in his new role, and Alex Reaves is moving from Orlando and will begin on January 10.

7. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Appoint Member of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board to serve on the Arts Commission: Louise Wilson may be interested in serving in this role, but will get back with the Board on her decision.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Memorial Bench Request at Poudre Ponds: A request has been made to place a memorial bench on the trail around the Poudre Ponds. The requested site has been reviewed and staff are recommending approval of this one time request prior to the development of a memorial policy for Natural Areas & Trails. A motion was made by Clint Torczon to recommend approval of the memorial bench for Jay Froshog at Poudre Ponds Recreational Fishery. The motion was seconded by Louise Wilson and passed unanimously.

9. UPCOMING AGENDAS

- Naming of East Greeley Natural Area site
- Metro Districts and incorporation of parks/public lands and amenities
- Naming of Westgate Subdivision Park and new park at Promontory

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

- 11. ADJOURNMENT** – Meeting adjourned at 8:00am.

Respectfully submitted:

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Scott McPherson

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Scott McPherson, Chair

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