

**ISLAND GROVE REGIONAL PARK ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES – June 5, 2025**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Island Grove Advisory Board met on Thursday, June 5, at 4:08 p.m. at the Buckle Club facility in Island Grove Regional Park.

2. ROLL CALL

Board members are present: Justin Watada, Richard Quaco, Kevin Ross, and Tommy Butler.
Ad Hoc members present: Kim Eastwood
Board members absent: James Herman, Bill Hall, and Tim Magnuson
Staff present: Island Grove Division Manager; Casandra Keller.
Public Present: None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kevin Ross made a motion to approve the minutes from the April meeting with a small correction to remove an extra name from the roll call. Richard Quaco seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the minutes from the April meeting were approved as corrected.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

None

5. AD HOC REPORTS

Greeley Stampede: Mr. Watada announced that the 103rd Greeley Stampede is just 20 days away. He shared that ticket sales are strong and noted that sponsorships officially closed last week. The team is excited and looking forward to the event, which will take place from June 25 to July 6.

Colorado Farm Show: Kim Eastwood provided an update on the Farm Show, noting that they are working on revamping the website and developing an online registration portal. She also announced that this year's Farm Show Chair is Larry Connell.

Weld County Fair: Mrs. Eastwood also provided a report on the Weld County Fair in Mikayla's absence. She shared that contracts are being finalized and noted that the Fair Coordinator will soon meet with Island Grove staff to review event details. Mr. Ross announced that Weld County has hired a new Extension Director, Kali Benson.

Greeley Kennel Club: Mr. Quaco provided the report on behalf of Judy Rayburn in her absence. He shared that everything is progressing well and moving forward for the event. Mr. Quaco announced that the President and CEO of AKC will be in attendance, along with Mayor Gates and Commissioner Perry Buck. He also highlighted several activities that will take place during the event.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Justin Watada asked the board for clarification regarding the advisory board's role. Casandra Keller explained that the CPRD Department is preparing to develop a Master Plan for Island Grove and will be conducting stakeholder meetings in the future. Ms. Keller emphasized that the primary purpose of the board is to serve in an advisory capacity.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Staff Report

Casandra Keller – Division Manager: Ms. Keller announced that James Herman has resigned from the board, as he is no longer a Greeley resident. She also shared that the Greeley Blues Jam is taking place this upcoming weekend.

Ms. Keller provided an update on several ongoing projects. She reported that the prox card system is nearly complete and is expected to be fully operational by the Stampede event. The team is currently working through final adjustments and resolving any remaining issues before opening day.

Additionally, ALLO Fiber is now fully installed and provides internet services throughout the park. Ms. Keller informed the board that the temporary chiller is up and running and will remain in place until the new unit is built. The City of Greeley is hoping insurance will assist in covering the cost of the new unit.

Ms. Keller also noted that they are exploring a major roof replacement project for the Event Center, which is anticipated to cost approximately \$1.5 million. In addition, they are looking into replacing the parking lots and resurfacing NWC Street, which has not been updated for some time. Public Works will be contacted to see if they can assist with this effort.

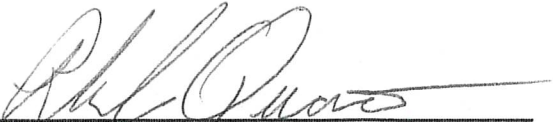
Lastly, Ms. Keller announced the hiring of Blanca Avalos as the new Event Scheduling Coordinator, with her first day scheduled for June 20. She also mentioned that Island Grove is expected to have a new website launched by the next board meeting.

8. NEXT MEETING – August 7

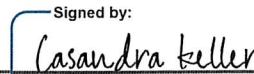
9. ADJOURNMENT -

The meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Richard Quaco - Chair

Signed by:


Casandra Keller – IG Division Manager