
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District – September 15, 2021 Meeting Minutes

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Directors
Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District
September 15, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on September 15, 2021, at 6:00pm, in the Gypsum Recreation Center, 52 Lundgren Blvd., Gypsum, Colorado, and via Zoom platform, in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado.

Attendance The following Directors were present and acting:

- Liz Jones
- Mikayla Curtis (attending virtually)
- Tom Pohl (attending virtually)
- Chris Pryor

Director McCormack was absent and excused.

Also in attendance were:

- Janet Bartnik, Executive Director
- Anna Englehart, Superintendent of Recreation Programs
- Scott Robinson, Superintendent of Business Operations
- Scott Ruff, Superintendent of Facilities
- Cat Olson, Human Resources Manager
- Alethea Platter, Accounting Manager
- Brad Johnson, Facility Supervisor - Edwards
- Jenn Geller, Vail Valley Lacrosse Club
- Todd Goulding, Vail Valley Lacrosse Club
- Mike Miner, Vail Valley Lacrosse Club
- Melissa Provencher, Vail Valley Lacrosse Club
- Brian Welch, Vail Valley Lacrosse Club
- Mariah Ulvestad, Vail Valley Lacrosse Club
- Georgi Dienst, Vail Valley Lacrosse Club
- Dave Smiley, Vail Valley Lacrosse Club
- Joe Blair, Vail Valley Lacrosse Club

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District was called to order by Chairperson Jones on September 15, 2021, at 6:01pm, noting a quorum was present to conduct business.

2. Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

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3. Joint Work Session

The board adjourned to a joint work session with the Vail Valley Lacrosse Club to discuss collaboration opportunities.

4. Minutes

Director Curtis noted that she had requested two adjustments to the minutes. An adjustment to the August 18 minutes was made that improves details in the discussion of Administration Contingency expenditure adding that staff was directed to create a separate line item for the community partnership grant program expenses. An adjustment to the August 25 minutes clarified the fees/surcharge discussion to reflect that Director Curtis was suggesting that there needed to be a definition for what qualified as in or out of district if the board chose to proceed with implementation of a fee differential.

Director Curtis moved to approve the August 18 and August 25, 2021, minutes as amended. Director Pryor seconded the motion. It was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve the August 18 and August 25, 2021, meeting minutes as amended.

5. Public Input and Presentations

a. CEBT Renewal Information

Ms. Olson presented information related to the renewal rates for the Colorado Employee Benefit Trust (CEBT). CEBT increased medical insurance premiums by 2% and decreased vision benefit premiums by 15%. The national average for insurance in the private industry is seeing an increase of 6.5% for 2022.

Director Jones asked if the premium adjustments were in alignment with the new fiscal year. Ms. Olson confirmed that changes would be effective January 1, 2022.

6. Business

a. Resolution - Non-Resident Surcharge for Facility Admissions

Hearing community feedback at public events in which All Access Rec information was shared, staff asked the board to consider a draft resolution indicating the board's direction on establishing out-of-district rates for facility admissions in August.

Director Jones stated that she was not in favor of fee differential.

Director Pryor stated that this was an issue that is discussed more often in the Edwards area. He stated that even a minimal adjustment in rates would begin to address the concern.

Director Jones suggested that fees might be structured for in- and out-of-district for memberships only and not programs.

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Director Pohl stated that an in-district discount could be implemented to show taxpayers that Mountain Rec is being prudent with funds. Any policy implemented should not be complicated nor expensive to implement. He suggested limiting fee differentials to facility admissions and not programs.

Director Curtis stated that she hears the voices of the community and desires that the board challenge the rationale voiced. She believes that the amount of revenue will be small. She suggested that administrative time should be spent on enhancing programs and not spent administering a fee differential program. A conversation about who is truly a member of the community has existed for some time. Mountain Rec should be a leader in expanding access to services. She reminded the board that many youth living outside the district boundary attend school with in-district students.

Director Pryor suggested that staff to research examples of what other Districts are doing regarding in-district and out-of-district fee structures. Director Curtis asked board members to consider what the motivation was for considering this resolution.

The consensus of the board was to table the item until facility planning is under way. Director Curtis suggested that this discussion could come with discussion of All Access Pass fee structure.

b. Other Business

Director Curtis asked what the topics were planned to be for the cancelled joint work session with the County Commissioners. Ms. Bartnik apologized for not preparing the board sufficiently. Director Jones shared topics that would have included were a discussion of Eagle County priorities and responding to any questions regarding the TABOR question on the November ballot.

The board requested staff reschedule the joint work session for Monday, October 18 at noon.

7. Financial Matters

a. Financial Statements

b. Accounts Payable

Ms. Platter shared highlights from the financial report for August 31. She stated that financial statements illustrated a positive financial position. She highlighted the contributions and grants line item will be broken apart next month. As well, forecasts will be updated in the September 30 financials.

Director Pryor moved to approve the financial statements and accounts payable report as presented. Director Jones seconded the motion. It was unanimously

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RESOLVED to approve the financial statements and accounts payable report.

8. Staff Reports

- a. Administration**
- b. Facilities Division**
- c. Recreation Programs Division**

Director Pryor asked about the newspaper article in which a resident made comment. Staff members are not responding to newspaper comments while the District is in the quiet period.

Director Pohl was pleased to see that the recycling center in Edwards was nearing completion.

9. Reports & Info

Adjournment

Director Pohl moved to adjourn the board meeting. Director Jones seconded the motion. It was unanimously

RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm.