Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District – October 18, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting Of the Board of Directors Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District October 18, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on October 18, 2023, at 6:00pm, via Zoom platform, in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado.

Attendance The following Directors were present and acting:

- Jason Cowles (attending remotely)
- Tracy Erickson (attending remotely)
- Joanna Kerwin (attending remotely)
- Tom Pohl (attending remotely)

Tom Edwards was absent and excused.

Also in attendance were:

- Ture Nycum, Executive Director (attending remotely)
- Scott Ruff, Superintendent of Recreation Facilities (attending remotely)
- Scott Robinson, Superintendent of Business Operations (attending remotely)
- Eddie Campos, Marketing & Communications Manager (attending remotely)
- Brad Johnson, Facilities Supervisor Edwards (attending remotely)
- Sanjok Timilsina, Finance Manager (attending remotely)
- Amy Burford, Administrative Assistant (attending remotely)
- Anna Englehart, Superintendent of Recreational Programs (attending remotely)
- Kaili Schroeder, Outdoor Recreation Coordinator (attending remotely)
- Ken Marchetti, Marchetti and Weaver (attending remotely)

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District was called to order by Director Erickson on October 18, 2023, at 6:00pm, noting a quorum was present to conduct business.

2. Changes to the Agenda

There was none.

3. Approval of Minutes

Director Erickson asked the board to consider the September 11, 2023 meeting minutes.

Director Pohl asked if staff could follow up with Mountain Valley Horse Rescue to clarify the final auction price of the Gypsum Recreation Center annual membership.

Director Pohl moved to approve the September 11, 2023 meeting minutes as amended. Director Cowles seconded the motion. It was unanimously

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RESOLVED to approve the September 11, 2023 meeting minutes as amended.

4. Public Input

Director Erickson asked for anyone from the public wishing to share comments with the board to do so at this time.

There was none.

5. Presentations

6. Business

a. 2024 Outdoor Recreation Budget

At the end of 2022, the outdoor recreation department added a full-time coordinator position. This decision was approved by the board to help the outdoor recreation supervisor bring back the Monument program as well as help with covering the business of summer camps and programming.

At the beginning of 2023, both full-time outdoor recreation staff members were injured, resulting in not having the ability to run spring Monument programs as well as prepare for the summer at full capacity. This, along with projections being off, has resulted in the outdoor recreation departments financial performance to be less desirable than anticipated.

Looking ahead to 2024, the vacant outdoor recreation supervisor position offers an opportunity to review the programs and ensure they are sustainable for the future. Ms. Englehart presented two budget options for the outdoor recreation department. Option one is currently in the 2024 budget draft and includes both full-time outdoor recreation employees. Option two would temporarily suspend the hiring of a full-time outdoor recreation employee. Ms. Englehart recommended option one.

Director Erickson asked why camps are projected to be at 80% capacity instead of 100%. Ms. Englehart explained that patrons sign up when registration opens to secure their spots, but cancellations occur close to the program date due to the low cancellation fee. Discussion ensued about raising the cancellation fee to discourage cancellations. Mr. Nycum stated that he will work with Ms. Englehart on a new cancellation policy. Director Pohl voiced his support for outdoor recreation programs and option number one. Director Cowles voiced his support for the Monument trips and asked if the full-time outdoor recreation position is in the 2024 budget for the entire year. Mr. Nycum confirmed that the position is budgeted for the entire year of 2024 and that staff would like to fill the position soon.

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b. Signer Update

There are currently two signers on the Alpine Bank account: Mr. Robinson and Mr. Ruff. Staff recommend adding Mr. Nycum and Mr. Pohl to the account. Staff also recommend adding Mr. Nycum and Mr. Pohl to the Colorado Statewide Investment Program and Multi-Bank Securities accounts.

Director Kerwin moved to approve the addition of Mr. Nycum and Mr. Pohl to the District's bank accounts as signers. Director Erickson seconded the motion. It was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve the addition of Mr. Nycum and Mr. Pohl to the District's bank accounts as signers.

c. Other Business

Mr. Johnson gave an update on the internet and the power outage situation at Edwards Field House. Mr. Johnson confirmed that he purchased a new fuse that the electrician will install as soon as possible. A discussion took place regarding the rescheduling of the Edwards Metro meeting scheduled for Thursday at Edwards Field House.

7. Financial Matters

a. Preliminary 2024 Budget

Mr. Timilsina stated that the preliminary 2024 budget is included in the board meeting packet for informational purposes. A discussion on the 2024 budget will take place at a work session on November 9th. The budget will also be discussed during the regularly scheduled November business meeting on November 15th which will serve as a public hearing. Mr. Timilsina confirmed that he submitted the budget transmittal letter. Mr. Marchetti asked what time the November 9th work session will take place. Mr. Nycum stated that he has 5:30 pm at the Edwards Field House on his calendar. Mr. Nycum stated that he will confirm those details and an official invitation will be sent to the board members and staff.

b. Financial Statements

c. Accounts Payable

Mr. Timilsina stated that the September revenue is favorable largely due to investment income. He stated that the Gypsum Recreation Center is favorable due to higher than anticipated membership revenue. He explained that the community expense line item is unfavorable because Fiesta Americas became the District's financial responsibility after some partners withdrew from the event. Mr. Timilsina stated that staff is forecasting the budget to be favorable in revenue and unfavorable in expenditures by an estimated \$11,000. He stated that an amended 2023 budget might be presented at the next meeting.

Mr. Timilsina mentioned that in 2024, the District will establish the capital project fund, and if the 2023 audit is successful, the excess revenue can be transferred to the capital project fund.

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

RESOLVED to approve the financial statements and accounts payable report.

8. Staff Reports

- a. Administration
- b. Facilities Division

c. Recreation Programs Division

Director Kerwin voiced her excitement for Fiesta Americas and enjoyed seeing the community come together to celebrate. Mr. Robinson thanked Ms. Burford for her contributions during the Human Resources Manager transition. Mr. Nycum acknowledged Ms. Schroeder's hard work in managing the Monument trips. Director Pohl expressed his excitement about Ms. Hovater, the Aquatics Supervisor, joining the team. Mr. Ruff confirmed that Vail Health submitted their 180-day termination at Edwards Field House and that the staff is in the process of creating a plan for that space. Director Erickson expressed his enthusiasm for using the space as a community room.

d. Eagle Pool Replacement Project Update

Mr. Nycum stated that staff is reviewing the pool project design and the District will be sharing the progress on the pool project with the community to keep them informed as the project moves forward. The District is seeking input from community members to understand their priorities regarding pool amenities. Mr. Nycum confirmed there will be a public meeting for the pool project on November 16th and he will let the board members know once the meeting time is verified. Director Pohl acknowledged Mr. Kreutzer's hard work over the summer and enjoyed seeing the softball league receive recognition.

9. Reports & Board Communication

Director Kerwin stated that she met with a local family who are interested in establishing a memorial at the Edwards skate park in memory of their son. Mr. Nycum and Mr. Johnson stated that Director Kerwin can pass along their contact information to the family.

10. Adjournment

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

RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 pm.