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Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District – August 20, 2025, Meeting Minutes

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### **Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District August 20, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on August 20, 2025, at 6:00 pm, in the Edwards Field House, 450 Miller Ranch Rd, Edwards, CO, and via Zoom platform, in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado.

#### **Attendance**

The following Directors were present and acting:

- Joanna Kerwin (via Zoom)
- Tom Edwards
- Tom Pohl (via Zoom)
- Jerry Santoro
- Mark Weinreich

Also, in attendance were:

- Scott Ruff, Superintendent of Recreation Facilities
- Erin Leach, People & Culture Manager
- Jamie Wilson, Marketing & Community Engagement Manager
- Karen Murphy, Finance Manager
- Brad Johnson, Facility Supervisor
- Anna Englehart, Superintendent of Recreation Programs
- Matt Kreutzer, Sports & Athletics Supervisor
- Ken Marchetti, Marchetti & Weaver
- Lauren Saunders, Facility Supervisor (via Zoom)
- Ture Nycum, Executive Director (via Zoom)

#### **1. Call to Order**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District was called to order by Director Edwards on August 20 at 6:00 p.m., noting that a quorum was present to conduct business.

#### **2. Changes to the Agenda**

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### 3. Approval of Minutes

Director Edwards asked the board to consider the minutes from the July 16, 2025, meeting minutes.

Director Santoro moved to approve the July 16, 2025, meeting minutes as presented. Director Edwards seconded the motion. It was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve the July 16, 2025, meeting minutes as presented.

### 4. Public Input

None

### 5. Presentations

None

### 6. Business

#### a. Maloit Park MOU with the Eagle County School District

Ms. Englehart explained how Mountain Rec and SOS Outreach have partnered since 2018 to provide affordable outdoor recreation for the community. Through this partnership, Mountain Rec was granted access to Maloit Park in Minturn under SOS's USFS permit and an agreement with Eagle County School District.

In November 2024, Mountain Rec purchased the historic USFS permit from SOS, after SOS shifted its focus to winter and career programs. Leading into summer 2025, talks with SOS about officially taking over the MOU with the Eagle County School District occurred. Transitioning both the USFS permit as well as the MOU with the School District to Mountain Recreation will continue to allow Mountain Rec to keep outdoor access open for local families and remove SOS as an intermediary party. Staff asked that the Board approve the MOU with Eagle County School District.

Director Pohl made a motion to approve the MOU with Eagle County School District to program at Maloit Park. Director Santoro seconded the motion. It was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve the MOU with Eagle County School District to program at Maloit Park.

#### b. Update on 2025 Capital Improvement Projects

Mr. Ruff shared a detailed presentation highlighting the recent improvements across Mountain Recreation facilities. Throughout the presentation, Mr. Ruff shared photos and cost details of several facility upgrades.

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He began by noting the continued success of the Eagle Pool and the strong performance of the aquatics team. He also addressed current issues with the pool boilers, explaining that improperly installed piping had caused some problems. Fortunately, the construction team has since corrected the issue. The encouraging news is that Mountain Rec is currently \$60,000 under budget.

Mr. Ruff also discussed the collaboration between the Town of Eagle and Mountain Recreation to plan the new skate park. Community feedback took an important role in the design, ensuring it reflects local needs and preferences. A community was held in June at the Eagle Pool and Ice Rink which was well attended by community members. Designs and cost estimates are expected in early September.

Also in Eagle, some of the key updates included the replacement of the 40 HP compressor motor, recent compressor overhauls at the EPIR, and the replacement of the memorial flag at the Eagle Sports Complex.

At Freedom Park, the maintenance yard fencing was upgraded, giving it a more professional appearance. Repairs to the baseball field fencing are currently in progress. Lastly at Freedom Skate Park, worn-out coping and tiles were replaced as part of ongoing improvements. This skate park has become a well-used space, especially given its location near the high school and middle schools. Its development was funded in phases by Eagle County.

Mr. Ruff also covered recent work completed at the Gypsum Recreation Center, including upgrades to the pool with new sand media and laterals, the installation of new LED lighting in the gymnasium, restoration of the waterslide, and the replacement of the playground in the Child Watch area. In addition, the sections of flat roof is scheduled to be replaced next week.

Following Mr. Ruff's update, Mr. Johnson presented the beginning of Phase 1 for the Field House renovation. Demolition was completed, and construction is now moving forward. All trampolines have been removed, and although the space is currently a busy and dusty construction zone, gymnastics programs are still running smoothly.

**c. Planning efforts on recreational services including the potential for an additional sheet of ice in the Mountain Recreation area**

Mr. Nycum provided an update on a master plan / feasibility study to add an extra sheet of ice within the Mountain Recreation service area. To move forward, staff recommends hiring a consultant to develop a master plan to assess the community's future facility and program needs. And if identified in a master plan as a high priority recreational addition by the community, conduct a feasibility study for the new ice rink.

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Mountain Recreation currently manages three important indoor facilities and two sports complexes that have served the community well but are now aging and reaching capacity as the population grows. These changes highlight the need for a comprehensive planning document that gathers community input through meetings and surveys and includes estimates for construction and operating costs. This will help the Board and staff make informed decisions about improving current facilities and planning for new ones.

A key part of this effort is determining whether Mountain Recreation can operate new facilities long-term and what the community truly needs. Unlike many similar organizations, Mountain Recreation has never completed a full master plan. This planning process will help identify where the community wants to grow and where to begin investing resources.

Staff are requesting approval for \$75,000 to start the planning process, including developing a scope of work and seeking consultant bids. Additional funding may be needed as the project progresses. This plan will help ensure Mountain Recreation can meet the community's needs sustainably in the future

Director Weinreich made a motion to approve funding for a planning effort on recreational facilities and services including the potential of an additional sheet of ice in the Mountain Recreation area. Director Santoro seconded the motion. It was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve the funding for a planning effort on recreational Facilities and services including the potential of an additional sheet of ice in the Mountain Recreation area.

#### **d. Other Business**

### **7. Financial Matters**

- a. Financial Summary**
- b. Financial Statements**
- c. Accounts Payable**

Ms. Murphy presented the financials of July 2025 YTD.

Ms. Murphy states revenue YTD are \$100k favorable to budget and operating expenses YTD are \$290,093 favorable to budget. Capital expenses are under budget by about \$979,000, mainly due to timing, especially with projects at the Edwards Field House.

We've brought in about 82% of our total expected revenue for the year. Strong income from Eagle and investments helped make up for lower-than-expected revenue from property taxes, Gypsum, Edwards, and Outdoor Rec. Overall, we still expect to meet or beat our revenue goal for 2025.

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Director Santoro motioned to approve the presented financial statements and accounts payable report. Director Weinreich seconded the motion. It was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve the financial statements and accounts payable report.

#### 8. Staff Reports

##### a. Administration

Ms. Leach shared that we're continuing our 2026 compensation review by reaching out to peer organizations and local governments to compare pay, benefits, and strategies. We're also reviewing our compensation philosophy to ensure it aligns with our mission, stays competitive, and remains financially responsible.

##### b. Facilities Division

Ms. Englehart shares with us that we hired John Volk, our new Aquatics Supervisor, who started on August 12. He brings over 20 years of experience from several Colorado communities, most recently Glenwood Springs. We're excited to have him on board and look forward to him shaping the Aquatics program. He'll attend the September Board meeting to introduce himself and present on the program.

##### c. Recreation Programs Division

Mr. Kreutzer shared that baseball and softball seasons ended positively with great community feedback. Fall sports registration is down overall, continuing a multi-year trend, though younger groups like 3–4-year-old Flag Football (up 23%) and 7–8-year-old Girls Soccer (up 32%) saw growth. Declines are sharper among boys, especially in Soccer and Flag Football. New marketing strategies and a field rental rate policy are planned to help reverse these trends

#### 9. Reports & Board Communication

#### 10. Adjournment

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

RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 pm.

*The next regular meeting of the Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District Board will be held on Wednesday, September 17, 2025, at 6:00 pm in the Gypsum Recreation Center.*