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Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District – May 20, 2026, Meeting Minutes

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of the Board of Directors
Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District
May 20, 2026**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on May 20, 2026, at 6:00 pm, in the Gypsum Recreation Center, 52 Lundgren Blvd, Gypsum, CO 81637, 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
- Tom Edwards
- Tom Pohl
- Jerry Santoro
- Mark Weinreich (remote)

Also, in attendance were:

- Ture Nycum, Executive Director
- Scott Ruff, Superintendent of Recreation Facilities
- Erin Leach, People & Culture Manager
- Jamie Wilson, Marketing & Community Engagement Manager
- Karen Murphy, Finance Manager
- Lauren Saunders, Facility Supervisor
- Brad Johnson, Facility Supervisor
- Anna Englehart, Superintendent of Recreation Programs
- Joe Hood, Hood, P.C.
- Rich Neumann, Berry Dunn (Remote)

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 May 20 at 6:02 p.m., noting that a quorum was present to conduct business.

2. Changes to the Agenda

Ture requested that Section 6, Business Item D, be tabled, explaining that several questions regarding the Amilia had been raised and need researched before presenting. He stated that the item would be brought back for further discussion in June 2026.

3. Approval of Minutes

Director Edwards asked the board to consider the minutes from the meeting on April 15, 2026.

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Director Kerwin moved to approve the April 15, 2026, meeting minutes as presented. Director Weinreich seconded the motion. It was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve the April 15, 2026, meeting minutes as presented.

4. Public Input

None

5. Presentations

a. Chance Ladd Scholarship Awards

Ms. Leach introduced the three candidates for the Chance Ladd Scholarship, which honors the legacy of a valued board member and their family member. This scholarship provides meaningful support to students as they prepare for their future, helping them continue their education and achieve their long-term goals. The candidates, Vespera Steiner, Tage TerBush, and Olivia Ingoldsby, each gave thoughtful presentations, sharing their experiences, achievements, and aspirations at the May meeting and were in attendance to accept the scholarship awards.

Ms. Leach then presented the Chance Ladd Scholarship Awards and thanked everyone for attending. She shared that this year brought a strong group of applicants and candidates and explained that Mountain Recreation created this program to support undergraduate students in reaching their goals. She was excited to announce that there were three scholarship recipients this year, with each student receiving a \$2,500 scholarship.

Board members expressed their appreciation for each candidate and shared their hopes that they would continue to stay involved with the Mountain Recreation family each summer. Congratulations to Olivia Ingoldsby, Vespera Steiner, and Tage TerBush!

6. Business

a. Fiscal Year 2025 Audit Report Presentation and Acceptance

Ms. Murphy presented background information on the 2025 Annual Audit performed by Hood, P.C. She explained that the audit fieldwork was completed according to the planned scope and timeline previously communicated during the planning stages of the audit. According to the auditors, Mountain Recreation's books and records were found to be in good working order, with revenues and expenses properly classified, transactions adequately documented, and balance sheet accounts sufficiently reconciled with year-end adjustments.

Mr. Joe Hood, owner of the firm, explained that the audit fieldwork was performed according to the planned scope and timing established during the audit planning process. He shared that once the audit is submitted to the State Auditor, the district's books and financial standards will reflect that proper practices and

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procedures are being followed. He also explained that the district has internal control systems in place that are designed to ensure operations and financial processes are functioning sufficiently and effectively.

Mr. Hood reviewed the Independent Auditor's Report. He noted that Statement C5, the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance of Governmental Funds, was particularly useful in understanding the district's financial position. Mr. Hood also identified several areas where internal controls could be strengthened, and staff plans to implement those improvements in 2026.

Director Weinrich made a motion to approve the 2025 Annual Audit, subject to the changes that will be made following approval. Director Kerwin seconded the motion. It was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve the 2025 Annual Audit with the changes that will be made following approval.

b. Update on Mountain Recreation Master Planning process and Feasibility Study

Mr. Nycum introduced Rich Neumann from BerryDunn, a professional services firm that Mountain Recreation hired in December 2025 to develop a master plan. This plan will help guide the future direction and utilization of resources based on the community's wants and needs for recreational services.

Mr. Neumann explained that they collected feedback from a large number of community members and received over 1,000 surveys, with many completed in person and others submitted online. They shared that the community engagement process has been very successful, with strong involvement from local clubs and sports organizations.

Mr. Neumann stated that the next step will be presenting the preliminary findings, including what they heard from the community, the top priorities identified, and the overall recreational needs of the district. They will return on June 25, 2026, to discuss these findings further and explain how they can be incorporated into Mountain Recreation's long-term vision, including where improvements and changes should begin.

The feasibility study regarding additional ice facilities is currently on hold while the team evaluates larger-scale projects and determines what options can realistically be developed. Mr. Nycum explained that the master planning process and feasibility study are now fully underway, with the community engagement portion nearing completion. Staff and Mr. Neumann, the project manager, will continue to provide updates on recent activities and expectations in the coming months.

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c. Update on Aquatics and the Upcoming Outdoor Pool Season

Mr. Lang and Mr. Delles presented an update on the aquatics program. They shared that the pool hours at the Gypsum Recreation Center will remain unchanged. In addition to regular operations at the Gypsum Recreation Center, the department will offer group swim lessons with eight classes per session and two month-long summer sessions. They will also continue offering Small Champions private lessons. The Gypsum Creek Pool will be open Friday through Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

At the Eagle Pool, the biggest change this season will be extended evening hours, with the pool remaining open until 7:00 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays. On Fridays, the pool will also open earlier for the community. Mr. Lang explained that after removing the pool covers following the winter season, the pool water had turned green. Staff are now discussing ways to better prevent and address this issue in the future. He shared that the cleanup process went smoothly, involving extensive pressure washing and scrubbing to ensure the pool remains crystal clear throughout the summer.

Programming at the Eagle Pool will include Fast Track lessons, 12 group swim classes per day, and six private lessons daily. Mr. Delles also reviewed the swimming team groups and schedules. This summer, the aquatics department will host two swim meets, the season championships, and several team events, including a team dinner, a community give-back event, and an end-of-summer banquet.

Special summer events will include Splash into Summer, the Latin Heritage Celebration, Splish Splash Olympics, and Rec Days during National Parks and Recreation Month. Mr. Lang shared that the pool facility continues to operate smoothly, with staff regularly monitoring the structure and pool systems to maintain quality and safety standards.

Upcoming aquatics training opportunities will include lifeguard certification, first aid certification courses, and ongoing in-service training. Mr. Delles reported that the aquatics department currently has 57 lifeguards, 10 Water Safety Instructors (WSIs), and eight participants registered for the June lifeguard certification course.

All members of the Board expressed their appreciation to the Aquatics team for running such a successful and smooth program throughout the year. The Board thanked staff for their hard work, dedication, and commitment to providing quality programming, maintaining the facilities, and creating a positive experience for the community. Directors also recognized the team's efforts in keeping programs organized, supporting swim lessons and special events, and ensuring the pools remained safe and well-maintained for all participants.

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d. Allocation of Funds from Mountain Recreation Foundation

Ms. Murphy explained that during the Mountain Recreation Foundation Board meeting on March 24, 2026, the board reviewed funds raised from the Butch Reynolds Memorial Softball Tournament held in July 2025.

The tournament raised \$6,751.38 for Youth Sports Scholarships and Volunteer Appreciation efforts in 2026, which was more than \$2,000 higher than the 2024 event. Of the total funds raised, \$646.58 was designated specifically for Youth Scholarships, while the remaining unrestricted donations were recommended to be split equally between Youth Scholarships and Volunteer Appreciation

In addition, the Foundation recommended contributing an additional \$10,000 from its financial position toward Youth Scholarships. In total, the Board recommended allocating \$13,698.98 for Youth Scholarships and \$3,052.40 for Volunteer Appreciation efforts in 2026, for a total allocation of \$16,751.38.

Staff mentioned and proposed using a good portion (upwards of \$8,000) of the additional scholarship funds to fund small champions in the KidsRec summer camp program. It was noted that there is an increase in requests, and these funds would help pay for additional Small Champions staff to be available at summer camps assisting participants in need.

Director Kerwin made a motion to approve the Mountain Recreation Foundation's recommendation to distribute \$16,751.38 of the Mountain Recreation Foundation funds for the purpose of Youth Scholarships for Mountain Recreation programs and for Volunteer Appreciation events held in 2026. Director Pohl seconded the motion. It was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve distributing \$16,751.38 from the Mountain Recreation Foundation for youth scholarships and 2026 volunteer appreciation events.

e. Other Business

Mr. Nycum explained several projects that have recently been completed. The lights at the Eagle Sports Complex have been replaced, and the chiller project at the Eagle Pool and Ice Rink has been completed. He also stated that the climbing wall project at the Edwards Field House has been successfully finished, noting that Mr. Johnson did a fantastic job overseeing the work. In addition, the shade structures are progressing nicely. Mr. Nycum recognized Mr. Ruff for his leadership and efforts in helping guide these projects to completion.

7. Financial Matters

a. Financial Summary

b. Financial Statements

c. Accounts Payable

Ms. Murphy presented the financials of April 2026 YTD.

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Ms. Murphy explained that general fund operating expenditure is \$47,517 under budget and represents 32% of the annual operating budget. Capital expenditures total \$637,229, or 28% of the capital budget, with major contributions to the GRC and EPIR Capital Replacement Funds as projects begin moving forward. General Fund revenues have reached 40% of the annual budget and are ahead of projections, driven by Property Taxes, Gypsum, Edwards, Investment, and Sponsorship income.

Director Pohl 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**
- b. **Facilities Division**
- c. **Recreation Programs Division**

9. Reports & Board Communication

10. Adjournment

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

RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Mountain Recreation Metropolitan District Board will be held on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 6:00 pm in the Edwards Field House.