

RIFLE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

JANUARY 27, 2016

PARKS MAINTENANCE FACILITY

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT:</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Sara Brainard	X	
Chris Bornholdt		X
Michael Churchill	X	
Vanessa Ivy		X
Trudy Lowery	X	
Wilma Paddock	X	
Milton Rodas		X

STAFF PRESENT: Tom Whitmore, Angie Wilkins

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 11TH MEETING: Sara made a motion to accept and approve the minutes of the January 11th meeting. Trudy 2nd the motion. Motion passed with a voice vote.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

2016 PARKS AND RECREATION SURVEY DISCUSSION: Tom asked the board if they had any additional items to add to the survey. Michael stated that the question “where have you heard about this” sounds like a reference to RifleNow.org being the City website. They are separate. He stated that it should be referring to rifleco.org. Trudy stated that question # 15 stated an outdoor component and that sounds confusing. She stated that there should be something stating what the actual outdoor component definition is so people don’t just make assumptions. She also stated that the cost for family should state “how much would you be willing to pay”. She thought the fees should be broken down to per use, monthly, or annual membership but not have only one choice of a high fee. Sara had a question regarding question # 14 and how confusing it was on how participants get to a recreational activity.

DISCUSS CENTENNIAL PARK GOCO CONTRACT: Tom went over the original contract from GOCO in regards to use of Centennial Park. It indicated that the emphasis of Centennial Park was to expand passive recreation opportunities, as most of Rifle’s facilities were for organized

team sports. This was brought up because Little League had requested that recreation programs (club soccer) move off of Deerfield park softball fields, Taughenbaugh field in particular. The policy in the past, which originated during planning for Centennial Park, is that no organized sports would take place on the bowl. If we would allow the use of Centennial Bowl turf for hosting soccer, more availability for Little League would be available at Taughenbaugh. Wilma stated that Deerfield Park use is for all users but is concerned with organized sports groups making demands on field usage priority. She doesn't want organized sport organizations to take away from other sports. Michael didn't want one organization to dictate usage of City owned fields. Trudy stated that she feels Rifle kids will start to get pushed out of City run programs for outlying towns and leagues/teams coming in demanding to use our fields.

Next meeting is scheduled for February 8th.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm