

**RIFLE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES PARKS MAINTENANCE FACILITY
SEPTEMBER 25, 2017**

Meeting called to order at 5:33 pm by Chris Bornholdt.

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT:</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Sara Brainard	X	
Chris Bornholdt	X	
Michael Churchill	X	
Mason Hohstadt	X	
Kevin Kelley		X
Trudy Lowery	X	
Christi Savage	X	
Erik Villasenor		X

STAFF PRESENT: Tom Whitmore

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 28TH MEETING: Sara made a motion to approve and accept the minutes of the August 28th meeting. Christi 2nd the motion. Motion passed with a voice vote.

UPDATES ON CITY HAPPENINGS: Tom brought to attention that there is movement around hiring a City Manager, and that out of the applications received a short list will be created by 10/2. The city is looking to hire someone for the manager position before hiring for the assistant manager. Also, the Finance Director resigned and their last day was 9/28/2017. Tom is working with the interim City Manager as well as the interim Finance Director during the budget process.

UPDATE ON THE 2018 BUDGET PROCESS: Tom had his first meeting with the Budget Committee on September 25th. The budget is progressing and Tom will work with Teresa through the end of the week. See update above, i.e. Finance Director. Consideration is being given to adjust payroll according to the increase in the state minimum wage. This might mean more than \$23,000 for (pool) employees. Tom will bring a copy of the budget to the next meeting.

UPDATE ON POOL PROJECT: The voters approved financing of the pool by a wide margin. At this point the Parks Department is sending out requests for qualifications from those entities that responded to letters of interest. This is to find out if those companies are able to meet the necessary requirements for

building the new facility. City Council has given initial approval to the schematic concept around the proposed project.

UPDATE ON QUESTSTAR PIPELINE: Tom brought to the board that he thought that Questar has done a great job of replacing and restoring the green belts in Palomino Park. He will bring up to council.

UPDATE ON PIONEER DITCH DIVERSION SCREEN: Tom shared that Bob Weir came out the week before the PRAB meeting to meet with Parks personnel. Tom hopes the O. & M. crew could get to this in 2017, but installation may still be early spring. The fabrication of the screen isn't a huge task but the supplier has been slow. We hope to have the screen delivered in the next month.

UPDATE ON TAUGHENBAUGH BLEACHERS: Tom discussed that the Lady Bears (RHS) want to host a regional tournament and that the original plan to put the bleachers in during October may have to be postponed until November.

ADJOURNED: Chris adjourned the meeting at 6:26.

NEXT MEETING: October 9th, 2017 at the Parks Maintenance Facility