

Rifle Parks & Recreation Advisory Board  
Agenda  
January 7, 2008  
5:30 PM  
Rifle City Hall

1. Call to Order
2. Minutes of December 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting
3. Comments from Public
4. Senior Center Report
5. Centennial Park Update
6. Rec Coord Application Update
7. Roan Field Update
8. Action Park Lighting Update
9. Park Maintenance Facility Update
10. Next Meeting – January 28<sup>th</sup>
11. Other
12. Adjourn



Date: January 2, 2008  
To: PRAB  
From: Aleks Briedis, Recreation Director  
Tom Whitmore, Parks Director  
RE: January 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting

Below is a brief overview for the January 7<sup>th</sup> meeting:

Centennial Park Update

We are still waiting for the contract from GOCO before we can move forward. We are currently working on obtaining property for the park.

Rec Coord Application Update

At the time of this memo we have 29 applicants from all over the United States. We are advertising the position in the Post Independent, the Colorado Parks & Recreation Association web site and the National Recreation & Parks Association web site. Application deadline is January 25<sup>th</sup>. We have sent out a questionnaire to those who have completed their application. (Those that applied on-line did not submit a City application). We hope to do interviews in February and hire in March.

Roan Field Update

We are still working on the lights for the field. Due to the ground water, we will be boring to the right outfield lights. We hope to do this soon.

Action Park Lighting Update

Due to the weather, we have turned off the lights at the Action Park. We are currently working on installing an on/off switch with a timer, so the lights are on only while the park is being used. Staff has also received a question of why these lights are free to users, when we charge for the field lights. The cost to run the Action Park lights are less than at Deerfield as not all of the fixtures are used and we are on a different rate schedule. We also use these lights as security lights, just as we currently use the basketball court lights at Deerfield.

Park Maintenance Facility Update

Staff will be meeting with Council on January 9<sup>th</sup> to discuss the financing options and construction program process of the Maintenance Facility.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact us.

Thanks.



**PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES # 16, 2007**  
**MONDAY DECEMBER 10, 2007**  
**RIFLE CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by acting chair Rich Carter at 5:30 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT, ROLL CALL:**

<b>ACT VOTER:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Jim Boone	X	
Rich Carter	X	
Steve Carter	X	
Christy Gray	X	
Mark Lapka		X
Tom Stuver	X	
Ed Weiss		X
Mildred Whitt	X	

**STAFF PRESENT:** Tom Whitmore, Aleks Briedis, Linda Stilson, John Hier

Rich welcomed Christy and Tom to the board.

**ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS:** Aleks noted that Ed and Mark would be willing to hold office again if they are nominated. Steve nominated Rich as Chairman. Jim nominated Ed for a 2<sup>nd</sup> term as chairman. Rich 2<sup>nd</sup> the nomination for Ed serving a 2<sup>nd</sup> term as chairman. Jim nominated Rich as vice chairman. Rich nominated Jim as secretary. Steve made a motion to close the nominations and the 3 be appointed by acclamation. Mildred 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Ed Weiss is elected as Chairman, Rich Carter is elected as vice chairman and Jim Boone is elected as secretary for the 2008 year.

**MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup> MEETING:** Steve made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 26, 2007 meeting. Jim 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed by a voice vote. Christy and Tom abstained.

**COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:** No public present.

**SENIOR CENTER REPORT:** Mildred had nothing to report. Aleks wanted the board to know that he has discussed with Marie the possibility purchasing a Nintendo Wii with the money budgeted for senior activities. They will be able to borrow one after the first of the year using a projector and screen to try it out and see if this is indeed something the seniors would enjoy.

**CENTENNIAL PARK UPDATE:** Aleks received a letter from the State Board of the Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund approving \$750,000. With receiving this grant we will also be receiving \$500,000 from the Department of Local Affairs and also \$200,000 from Garfield County. Dirt is expected to be moved in May. Also the next step is contracts and IGA's. The first phase is working on the flood control and infrastructure. The 2<sup>nd</sup> phase will consist of picnic shelters; playgrounds a water play feature, historical waysides and outdoor learning center.

**ROAN FIELD UPDATE:** The field is all but ready to play on come spring. The electrical still needs to be run to the lights. The 4 sets of bleachers were delivered today. One of the dugouts has been damaged by the boring company and they will be replacing it. Aleks is working on closing out the GOCO grant for this project.

**OCTOBER FINANCIALS:** Tom wondered on the \$1,000 for the traveler. It was noted that this is just a donation to the Traveler program and that the Senior Center is budgeted under the General Fund. The Traveler and the meals program is funded through Garfield County, local municipalities and Colorado Mountain College. John Hier reported that CMC will no longer be administering the Traveler and meals starting July 2008. Currently a task force is meeting to find a new administering agency. There were no other questions about the financial reports.

**2008 BUDGET UPDATE:** The city council adopted our 2008 budget at the December 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. Currently the Parks Maintenance Facility shortfall balance is being taken from the fund balance, but council will be having a workshop on January 9<sup>th</sup> to discuss the financial options on this. Tom will get back to the board with further information on this project.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be held on January 7, 2008.

**OTHER:** Tom wanted to know if we have done any kind of a survey with respect to the percentage of seniors in the City of Rifle that are currently involved in programs at the Senior Center. What recreational services would they like to see provided that is not being provided at this time? Tom also thinks that there should be more information out there to inform our seniors about the programs being offered. He also suggested that the Senior Center purchase a big screen HDTV making it easier to have movie nights and even rebroadcast sporting events using TIVO and even exercise classes. Aleks also wanted to point out that we had received a letter from the Rifle Community Foundation accepting the donation of \$2,000 for offsetting facility usage fees.

Rich adjourned the meeting at 6:07 p.m.