

Rifle Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
Agenda
June 23, 2008
5:30 PM
Rifle City Hall

1. Call to Order
2. Minutes of June 9th Meeting
3. Comments from Public
4. Senior Center Report
5. GOCO Grants Update
6. Tennis Court Surfacing Update
7. Centennial Park Update
8. Park Maintenance Facility Update
9. Security Cameras
10. Valley Lumber
11. Park Watering Practices
12. Health & Wellness Center
13. Next Meeting – July 7th
14. Other
15. Adjourn



Date: June 19, 2008
To: PRAB
From: Aleks Briedis, Recreation Director
Tom Whitmore, Parks Director
RE: June 23rd Meeting

Below is a brief overview for the June 23rd meeting:

Senior Center Report

Marie found us a volunteer driver to transport seniors from the Sr. Center to the Farmer's Market. Chuck has driven the Traveler buses for CMC for years. We had about seven seniors take the bus to the first Farmer's Market.

GOCO Grants Update

We received our \$200,000 check from GOCO for Roan Field. That grant is complete. We also received notification that we were awarded a \$55,000 grant for the Deerfield Completion Plan. The letter is included in the packet. We're continuing to work on the Trails Grant, which is due July 1st. We'll bring the support letter for you to sign at the meeting.

Tennis Court Surfacing Update

The surfacing is being installed today, June 19th. Tom will give an update at the meeting.

Centennial Park Update

We're continuing to work on the design. We have updated the project schedule and a draft is included in the packet. We now plan to design the rest of this year and construct in Spring 2009. The designers feel that the park could be constructed in 6 months, which would complete the project a year early.

Parks Maintenance Facility Update

We have a 75% completion meeting set for June 27th. There's not much to report until after that meeting. If there is, we'll inform you at the meeting.

Security Cameras

A test camera is scheduled to be delivered today, June 19th. We plan on mounting it at the Action Park during the two week evaluation period.

Valley Lumber

The Parks Department is preparing to move to the old Valley Lumber site in the next couple of weeks. Tom will give an update at the meeting.





Park Watering Practices

With the water emergency the City had last week, Tom would like to inform the board on the Parks watering practices.

Health & Wellness Center Update

The project management team for the Health & Wellness center had their first meeting last week. A list of recreational needs is going to be developed and presented to PRAB at the next meeting to sort, add, change, etc.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 7th, 2008.

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



RIFLE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES 2008
MONDAY JUNE 9TH, 2008
RIFLE CITY HALL

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Chairman Ed Weiss at 5:31 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

	YES	NO
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 PREENT: Aleks Briedis, Tom Whitmore, Angie Wilkins

MINUTES OF THE MAY 12TH MEETING: Steve Carter made a motion to approve and accept the minutes of the May 12th meeting. Mark Lapka 2nd the motion. Motion passed by a voice vote.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: No public present.

SENIOR CENTER UPDATE: Aleks informed the board that Jenn is still teaching the seniors WII. Christy wanted to know if grandchildren could come and participate with their grandparents. Aleks said that possibly next year this could be an option.

VISITOR IMPROVEMENTS ADVISORY BOARD: The board was given a letter requesting funding for the Farmer's Market. There is no specific line item in the budget for this, but there is a placeholder for \$10,000 for Special Events coordinator supplies and events. Helen Rogers and Gil Frontella informed the board that the Farmer's Market is a good endeavor. Gil also informed the board that the Recreation Department will be in charge of program next year. There are bands scheduled for entertainment each week. The cost is \$400 a week and they will be playing for three hours. Mark Lapka had

concerns with the location of the bands. Helen informed the board that they would be located on the East side of the City Hall building as this is where adequate electricity is installed. Mark also had a concern with seating and street cleanup. Helen said that if there were hay bales used, they would be cleaned up every week. Ed questioned where the remainder of the funding would be coming from. Gil informed the board that the rest would be from DDA. Aleks informed the board that he could take the funds from Special Events, but there is additional cost for staff to supervise. Steve motioned for the \$2090 be given to offset the costs. Jim 2nd the motion. Motion passed by a voice vote. Mark had concerns that the amount would still not be enough, and requested that the seats for the bands be placed in the shade. He also had concerns with the Seniors being transported down. Aleks has not heard back from Marie on participants. Christy mentioned that the Seniors were on fixed incomes and probably wouldn't participate.

APRIL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Financial statements ending April 30th were given to the board. Mark had a concern with the amounts and Aleks explained where the amounts were coming from. There were no other concerns with the statements.

POOL UPDATE: The pool is up and running. The water and sewer are fixed. Lessons have filled up and we are planning on adding a Saturday session for 2009. Linda passed her Certified Aquatic Facility Operators Certification. Mark had concerns with the heater going down in the splash pool. Aleks informed the board that the igniter went out and it was replaced within a day. Tom W. mentioned that the igniters in City Hall need replaced almost annually and it is probably due to poor construction of the parts. Mark also had concerns with the Community Center and how far out until it would be completed. He also requested that the Art Dague pool be a year round facility. Ed commented that the costs would be very high. Tom W. mentioned that a feasibility study would need to be done and there are concerns with operation and staffing costs. Steve commented that a bubble over the pool would not work and the City would not approve this structure. Christy commented on how bad the condition of the pool is. There was discussion on the progress of the Health and Wellness Center with members of the board voicing concerns. Ed informed the board that he could not give out information regarding this process but that he would bring brochures back for the next meeting. Christy had a concern with having to pay to get into the pool if she wasn't swimming. Mark informed her that this policy was put in effect for an incentive to get a bigger pool. Aleks let the board know that the pool fees are set and there would need to be a resolution to change them.

STRATEGIC PLANNING: Meeting is set for August 18th with Mayor Lambert facilitating. All parks and recreation staff will be involved.

CENTENNIAL PARK UPDATE: Aleks informed the board that the progress is going very slowly. It is still in the engineer's hands and Design Concepts will move forward when engineers are done.

PARKS MAINTENANCE FACILITY UPDATE: Tom W. informed the board that Phase II Environmental Assessment is doing soil tests to see if the soil is contaminated.

The assessment should have been done within two weeks and then financing could go forward. There will be a June 23rd meeting with the Design team.

GOCO TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE GRANT: Aleks informed the board that there was a \$750,000 grant available and was hoping to use it for the trail for 9th Street to 16th Street. SGM has already designed the trail to City Market and would need to get an easement to cross the parking lot. The problem is that the easement was never signed by the other party. Aleks has sent an E-mail to City Market's lawyers and should know by Wednesday. He also requested a letter of support from the board regarding the trail. Mark motioned to draft a letter of support and Christy 2nd the motion. Motion passed by a voice vote.

LIBRARY REQUEST: A letter of request for Pool coupons for the Summer Reading Program was given to the board. The money given last year was a donation from a private entity for pool coupons. Mark had commented that in the past there were no discounts given regarding the pool. Ed suggested that the library get funds from other organizations. The board will not be contributing funds to the Library.

SECURITY CAMERAS: Information and quotes from Q-Star were given to the board. Mark had a concern with distance coverage. Jim had commented that they would go up to 100 feet. Aleks informed the board that if they were placed at Davidson there would need to be poles installed. He also stated that he would request a 30 day trial from the company. Ed questioned how much vandalism was being done and Mark wanted to know the costs of vandalism. Tom W. informed them that the Parks department is keeping track of the work orders regarding vandalism. Aleks will get more information regarding these types of cameras and possible user's opinions.

AUGUST 11TH MEETING: The conference room will be used for the Primary election on this date. This meeting will be held at the Senior Center.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for June 23rd, 2008.

OTHER: Officer Dustin Maratino spoke to the board regarding behavior at the skate park and graffiti. He proposed a pass for users of the park. If there were violations of rules of the park the pass could be revoked. He suggested that the pass be \$1 or free but good for 12 months. There would need to be a supervisor at the park at all times to enforce the rules and check on the passes. He informed the board that it takes up to four offenses for there to be any real consequences. Rich suggested a sticker that would be worn on the helmet of users for identification. The board will come up with alternative suggestions to deal with this matter. Tom W. informed the board that Scott Reed did an Eagle Scout project at Rifle Mountain Park. There were 12 tables and grills installed. He also informed the board that Council approved the new tennis court and that installation should occur on the 18th or 19th of June. Jim suggested that a fence be installed around the skate park and locked for users to lose their privileges.

Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Ed Weiss at 7:57 p.m.

GREAT OUTDOORS
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June 18, 2008

VIA FACSIMILE - 970-625-6285 - 1 Page

Aleks Briedis
Recreation Director
City of Rifle
202 Railroad Ave.
Rifle, CO 81650

Re: Deerfield Regional Park Completion Plan, GOCO Log # 08430

Dear Aleks

Thank you for submitting a Planning Grant request to the State Board of the Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund. Eight applications were submitted in the Spring 2008 grant cycle requesting a total of more than \$436,600. On June 18, 2008, the GOCO Board was pleased to award a total of \$227,045 to five projects.

I am pleased to inform you that the Board awarded funding for your project at a grant amount of up to \$55,000.00. **Please note that an executed grant agreement signed by GOCO and the City of Rifle is required before work on the project may commence.** Staff will contact you to discuss grant reimbursement options.

Thank you for participating in the Great Outdoors Colorado Planning Grant Program. We look forward to working with you and your community. Please feel free to contact me at 303.226.4522 with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Wally Piccone
Senior Program Manager

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