



**PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES # 9, 2006
MONDAY, MAY 8, 2006
RIFLE CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM**

CALLED TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Steve Carter

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kelly Bina	5:26	Jim Boone	5:38	Rich Carter	5:19
Steve Carter	5:26	Mark Lapka	5:15	Betsy Rice	Absent
Ed Weiss	5:26	Mildred Whitt	5:25		

Staff Present: Tom Whitmore; Parks Director.

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 24th MEETING:

ACT VOTER:	Yes	No	Abstain
2 Kelly Bina	x		
Jim Boone			
Rich Carter			x
Steve Carter	x		
Mark Lapka	x		
Betsy Rice			
1 Ed Weiss	x		
Mildred Whitt	x		

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC: None

SECRETARY—STEPHANIE SAMSON: Tom introduced Stephanie Samson who has agreed to be the secretary for the board during the summer.

POOL EVALUATION: Mark Lapka inquired about the pool evaluation increasing liability. Rich Carter said something about health issues. Tom Whitmore suggested that the pool may have to continue to operate until we build a Recreation Center. Mark Lapka asked where the 8 inches of water is missing per day. Linda Stilson said that the filters and pumps are not working properly, so we need to get new filters. The water is not disappearing from cracks in the bottom of the pool. It is missing due to the filters. Lapka was concerned about draining the pool into the creek. Cherry Creek has never done a full pool inspection, but there has been a food and broiler inspection. Rich Carter suggested





that we get together with the Health Dept. to schedule a full pool inspection. Bina asked Stilson about her feelings on the pool heater. Stilson says it has not been exposed to the elements. There is no danger with the outdoor heater. Carter wanted to know if the board was surprised with the pool evaluation or not. Lapka was very surprised with all the details about the pool, and he was worried about if we could even open the pool again. Steve Carter said that we know the limits and that there is nothing that should be a “show stopper.” Weiss suggested that we should prioritize the details, such as health issues, depth of the pool, and deck space. Steve Carter says the staff should prioritize and price what needs to be changed at the pool. The pool is 39 years old and it should be noted that it is almost a 40 year-old pool.

POOL FILTERS:

Linda says that the pool filters will be replaced by a company from Aspen. They would be able to take out the old ones and replace the new ones in a day. We are still working on getting the Batting Cages into order.

SIGN BIDS: Microplastics was the only business that bid for the signs. Aleks and Tom will arrange a meeting to decide on the number of signs that will be needed. Approving Microplastics passed here in this meeting and will be addressed to the council in the next meeting. This will go to the council next Wed. and then go on the agenda and then it will be about three weeks before the signs are ready. Lapka said it would be nice to have the signs up by the 4th of July. Jim Boone asked if we should have the signs face the street, turned to the side of the street, or at a corner of a stoplight. Tom Whitmore is studying where the signs should be placed. If there is anything drastic, Tom will let the board know. Weiss was wondering if it is possible to install multiple signs in one day. As soon as we get the signs in, we will make our best efforts in placing them in the right spots.

PLAYGROUNDS: We are close with putting the fence in at the playground at Deerfield. We will get the damaged surfacing material at Heinze repaired soon.

FENCING AND NETTING: Boone was curious on what we could do to try to keep kids out of the unfinished playgrounds. Should we wrap the orange fencing around the slides to keep kids from playing on the playgrounds? Whitmore said that he would keep contacting SGM concerning the fencing at Deerfield and Heinze Park. Once the picnic shelters at Davidson are finished, we will get the concrete guys in to do sidewalks.

ACTION PARK: The construction crew found a septic tank at Metro Park while excavating for the action park. It will cost around \$36, 000 to dig out tank or move the





bowl over so it is out of the way of all the destruction. A little bit of a delay, but the Action Park is coming along. Steve Carter suggested that we should have guards for the Action Park when it opens. Tom says that once the Action Park opens, the tennis courts will most likely want to be moved to a different location. Tom stated that the tennis courts need to be repaired about every two years.

PARKING LOT: Testing on the Deerfield parking lot revealed some wet spots. Frontier Paving says we should wait until everything dries out, but that could be about a month. Frontier met with Tom, Aleks, and city engineering staff to discuss other options. When the lot is complete there will be about 339 spaces. Steve Carter says even if it takes a little extra time, let's do it right.

NEXT MEETING: May 22nd

OTHER:

Rec. brochures, registrations are filling up.

ADJOURN:

Chairman Steve Carter declared the meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephanie Samson

Secretary

