

MINUTES
CARBONDALE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
December 12, 2018

Becky Moller called the Carbondale Parks & Recreation Commission meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. on December 12, 2018, in the Town Hall meeting room.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present for roll call:

Members:	Becky Moller, Chair Hollis Sutherland, Member John Williams, Member Rose Rosello, Member Todd Chamberlin, Member Camy Britt, Alternate Genevieve Villamizar-Alternate Ashley Allis, Member
Town Staff Present:	Eric Brendlinger, Parks & Recreation Director Jessi Rochel, Recreation Center & Programs Manager Angie Sprang, Boards & Commissions Luis Yllanes, Trustee Liaison

CONSENT AGENDA

Rose Rosello ***moved*** to approve the minutes from the Parks & Recreation Commission meeting on November 2018 with noted edits. Hollis Sutherland ***seconded*** the motion, and it was ***unanimously approved***.

PERSONS PRESENT NOT ON THE AGENDA

There was no one present, not on the agenda, who wished to address the board.

INTRODUCTION – DEREK MILLER FACILITY MAINTENANCE LEAD POSITION

Eric introduced Derek to the commission so everyone could put a face to the name. Eric explained that Derek comes to the Town with many years of property management experience and the ability to maintain our aging recreation infrastructure. Presently he is managing our ice rinks, and conducting ongoing maintenance of the recreation center.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD CHAIR COLIN QUINN TREE LABELING PROPOSAL

The commission read and discussed attachment A. Points made were:

- Trees would not be harmed
- To mitigate vandalism, signage could be custom and be considered artistic and produced by a local artist
- It would be a small pilot project
- There would be a map so kids could go on a scavenger hunt to find tree species
- The hanging apparatus would be an expanding coil that will not damage the tree
- There would likely be a story map on the website with additional tree identification and educational details and the trees locations.
- It may be beneficial to show what species thrive in this environment, especially with the drought conditions recently experienced.

The commission is in full support of the project, and would like to see the actual plan to fully understand what the details are. Colin will be invited to the January meeting to present the details.

RECREATION PROGRAM REPORT – YOUTH & ADULT ATHLETICS COORDINATOR WILL TEMPEST

Will introduced himself to the commission, and everyone got acquainted. Will shared his job duties with the commission and upcoming leagues and classes which include, the *Youth Basketball League, Adult Broomball*

League, Winter Volleyball League, Dodgeball After School Program, a Youth Learn to Play Hockey program and a Carbondale Junior Hockey program for the older kids, and series of progressive climbing wall youth classes.

TRUSTEE WORK SESSION 12/18/2018 DRAFT MEMO NORTH FACE PARK PICKLEBALL & TENNIS

Eric informed the commission that they have a work session with the trustees on 12/18. Points for discussion with the Trustees are:

- They would like to discuss what may happen in the event that the GoCo grant is not awarded for the pool project...Will the Town find funds to pay for the pool planning process? The burn rate on the Recreation Sales and Use Tax is no longer an issue. Eric will bring those numbers to the next meeting.
- Pickle ball discussion
- Phase 2 of the Red Hill Trail building project

The pickleball memo was discussed. Points made were:

- It includes a background of the process to date – including a walk through the search for land process/evaluation of potential sites along with the commission's recommendations
- Recommendation includes 4 pickleball courts facing southwest
- There is an opportunity to have up to 6 pickleball courts for tournaments
- Commission stressed strongly a multi-use approach instead of purposing and repurposing our open spaces at a cost to the Town
- There may be space for one to two futsal fields which can be multi-use, for soccer and lacrosse
- Keeping as much of our open space open as possible is ideal
- Up to 6 courts max, as much open space as possible, as much multi-use as possible, accommodating as many citizens needs, balanced to meet needs of even the un-spoken groups and neighbors
- How will this be prioritized with funding? Will it push the pool project farther down on the list? What funding impacts will this have on the Parks & Rec department?
- It's likely Pickleball will need to foot the bill for the planning and construction
- Pickleball may need to wait until next fall to seek a GoCo grant – Pickleball asked specifically just for the land and the Town is providing that so Pickleball will need to provide the funds going forward
- Courts will need be post tension concrete courts due to our fluctuation in temperature
- A representative from the Pickleball Association was present and shared with the commission that they will pay for everything & appreciate the land potentially being made available for pickleball courts by the Town
- Pickleball Association will need to bring back a fully engineered plan with cost of construction for Town approval
- The concepts in the memo are very conceptual and may not reflect any actual design – actual design will depend on what the Pickleball Association can pay for
- Explain why the tennis courts were not recommended for repurposing as that would impact the ability for tournament use – no multiple lines on tennis courts per USTA tennis rules & pickleball will not change line regulations. Presently the painted pickleball lines on the tennis court are grandfathered in, allowing USTA tennis play at the Darien Courts.
- Who will pay for court maintenance and future repurposing? Pickleball Association? – ideal if this will be in writing

Hollis motioned to move forward with evaluation of the feasibility and sustainability of long-term infrastructure needs of up to 6 pickleball courts at North Face Park, without repurposing the tennis courts. Todd seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Eric will send the parks master plans to Ashley per her request.

2019 SPECIAL EVENT TASK FORCE DRAFT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The commission reviewed the 2019 special event task force draft calendar of events. Discussion ensued.

Rose recommended the Trustees approve the calendar as presented in the packet. Todd seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

REPORT & UPDATES

Eric: Provided a brief update on the Red Hill Trail building project. A meeting will take place with the stakeholders and the BLM on-site next week to determine the timing of the opening of the completed trails and the necessity for signage. It's anticipated that the downhill bike trail will be completed by April. Singletrack Trails will re-mobilize in March for a three week build to complete the trail system.

Jessie: Reported the Rec Center is putting out a new programs brochure that will outline programs through May. This will be a flip book on-line and an insert into the Sopris Sun on December 18th.

Commissioners: Luis gave kudos to the Parks & Rec staff for their work on the special events calendar. Luis reported that in 5 years, our rec center will be paid off and that could make getting a new aquatic center very plausible.

ADJOURNMENT

The December 12, 2018, regular meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm. The next regularly scheduled meeting is set for January 9, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Angie Sprang