

Attendees: Kevin Linebarger, Frank Mencin, Matt Main, and Recreation Director Amber Magee (Called to order at 6:03 PM)

Public Attendees: Mitch Dulleck, Jane Harelson, and Jodi Enderlin

Action Items:

Next Meeting: May 12, 2020 @ 6:00 PM – Courthouse

New Business:

Mitch Dulleck presented a letter of interest to join the board. After a short discussion, Matt Main moved to appoint Mitch to the board, seconded by Frank Mencin; the vote was unanimous to have Mitch join the board.

Director's Report:

Programs

- Currently running spring programs through May. We are operating as normal for now and will respond accordingly with updated guidance.
- Summer Program (June – August) registration will begin on May 4th.

Winter Facilities

- Ice Rink is closed for the season. The board will determine when and where to convene a working group to plan for making ice next year. The plan for 2020 is to reopen around the 2nd weekend in December.
- Dutch Henri is still open for now and will monitor snow levels for safety
- The Mineral Belt Trail will not be plowed this spring to protect the seal coat. The MBT committee is tentatively planning to make repairs to the ground subsidence in California Gulch in May or June.

Water / Aquatics

- The facility audit is close to wrapping up. There is a tentative meeting on the evening of April 2nd to review revised audit, revised repair and maintenance plan requested, and working sketches.
- There are ongoing challenges that we need to consider in the repair and maintenance plan. The air handlers, gas line, and pool heaters are all interrelated and in need of attention that could impact the scope of the initial repair and maintenance plan.
- Tentatively scheduling the one week shutdown for cleaning around mid-April to mid-May.

Staffing

- Looking for Head Lifeguard, Yoga Instructor, Youth Gymnastics Instructor and Rockies Rock Aftercare Leads. The commissioners are still seeking a Facilities Director as part of the master plan.

Projects, Input, Miscellaneous

- The Recreation Fitness Pass project is moving forward. Amber presented concept plans, excluding Ski Cooper inclusion for this initial phase. This fits in well with the Winter Mission activities.
- Amber is meeting in the signage project to prioritize signs for 2020. There was some brief discussion about signage that is currently posted at Dutch Henri that has hazard and liability language. The board and the director both believe that it is important to have the sign posted.
- The Huck Finn lighting project is still on the radar for this year. Amber would like to discuss future plans with the Curling Club before going too far with the project so that she can plan a comprehensive project.
- The department is currently working with vendors and getting bids to make repairs to the concrete at the Huck Finn skate park.
- The board reviewed data from the past six years showing usage and participation in Recreation Department facilities and programs. Overall, there is good growth in community participation in both programming and facilities. There was some discussion about the Open Gym and what we could do to improve usage. Possibly getting some newer equipment from other recreation entities across the state.
- The Recreation Department continues to look into wellness programs
- Planning on using highway mill from paving projects this summer to pave the Huck Finn parking areas.
- There are ongoing challenges with the county website. The Facebook page is currently the best place to get updated, accurate information or you can check with the departments directly.
- For grooming, the board recommended that we plan to groom through the first or second weekend in April, depending on snow pack. For 2020-2021, it was recommended that we once again bid the grooming. The department and the board will reach out to the commissioners and the other entities that funded the grooming this year.
- The Leadville Cross Country Ski Council presented a proposal to the Amber and the MBT Committee to explore combining the grooming efforts and funding for the MBT and the golf course. The LCCSC membership increased from approximately 130 last year to around 400 this year. A donation to grooming secures membership in the Council.
- The Curling season has concluded and was a very successful year. There were 10 teams that participated. 12 applied, but not all the teams could be incorporated on a single night. The Curling Club is still gathering feedback on the facility from its members, but generally the feedback has been positive so far. Amber needs to understand the future direction of the club so that we can make facility improvements this summer if needed.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:23 PM.

Next Meeting May 14, 2020 @ 6:00 PM – Courthouse.