

**Attendees:** Smokey Burgess, Kevin Linebarger, Paul Anderson, Jodi Enderlin, Matt Main, Frank Mencin, Recreation Director Amber Magee, and County Commissioner Sarah Mudge

Public Attendees: Sterling Mudge, Brian Feddema, and Jane

### **Action Items**

- Amber to get in touch with Travis Avery at Summit High School to inquire about pool starting blocks as there is potential they have some they'd give us.
- Amber to research the state statutes around the lodging tax and compile data from other counties on how they distribute their funds.

**Next Meeting:** Mar 7<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm – Courthouse

Welcome to new board member Frank Mencin!

### **Cloud City Wheelers**

Huck Finn Bike Park – Sterling is working on a MOU for maintenance of the new asphalt bike park facility. The Wheelers will maintain it. Maintenance includes Seal Coating/Landscaping/ up keep on wood take off points. How often the asphalt will need to be maintained is uncertain.

In mid-February, we will find out about the grant from Colorado Health Foundation emphasizing intergenerational play.

The Grant request includes 150,000 for playground equipment at Huck Finn and some sidewalk work to connect the senior center. This grant is piggybacking on the airport project will save a lot of cost. The asphalt mixture will be slightly different to allow better molding of the park.

The Wheelers are looking to have a public input session at the Huck Finn Warming Hut on park design. Tuesday Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>, 4-5:30pm

### **Cloud City Curling Club**

Brian Feddema – Curling is in its fifth year in Leadville. The Cloud City Curling Club has been created to be able to fundraise and to help steer the growth of Curling in Leadville in cooperation with the Recreation Department.

Tom who works in Ice Maintenance at the Denver Curling Club has found an Ice King Monarch walk behind ice scrapper. Brand new these cost 12 to 14 thousand without the blade. These are rare to find used and has found one for 3700 which includes a recently sharpened blade. This is used to level the ice and would greatly increase the quality of curling in town and allow the curling club to host bonspiels (tournaments for fundraising and to bring in tourism during the slow January timeline). We have lots and interest from first time curlers and the scraper will allow for much better ice which allows new curlers to have success curling in their first attempt and make them more likely to continue curling.

Paul moves to allocate 2000 of CTF funds from the unallocated funds pool in the 2019 budget. There is 5000 in this budget category for this year. Frank 2nds the motion. All voted in favor.

### **Master Plan Updates**

**Signage** – we did not get the grant for funding the recreation signage project, haven't been able to find out why. As it stands, we have 45,000 currently allocated. Sarah Dallas put out an RFP for all the signage, and it needs to be adjusted to include the recreation signage.

**Winter Trails** – Jodi has been great on the grooming blog.

Mineral Belt Grooming Cost through the end of December is \$4546

This is groomed when Smokey gives the ok to the groomer... this will allow us to save money when fresh snow hasn't fallen.

Jodi has talked to the Non-motorized grants administrator about getting funds through Parks and Wildlife– tricky due to contracting fees are high, but we should still apply. This could be a good resource for a new groomer in the future as well. The grant applications are due by August. The money comes in the following June. These generally require a 10% cash match.

Potential help for grant writing here would be Michelle Stamburger.

### **Directors Report**

Amber – Becca Katz wrote a nice letter to the paper about the grooming. She hasn't gotten emails or calls about it.

Winter Parking on 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> – working toward agreement for expanding parking.

MBT trail motorized issues – should we consider signage around this. Possible areas with issues are by the animal shelter, by the middle school, turn to Dutch Henry, 6d Slaughterhouse Gulch - down by the turn

Amber, Beth Helmke, and Sarah Dallas are heading to Saskatoon funding by a grant to emphasize winter activities for communities with an elongated winter. There will be 15,000 grant following this session that they will be able to use toward winter activities/visions.

The Recreation Department is working on updating their mission, vision, and values.

There may be a Magic Carpet available. It is 80 ft for 4-7 year olds. CMC may have taken it.

Judy Green is writing a grant to the legacy foundation for six portable Starting blocks for a potential swim team program to be used for training. We have five usable lanes, but will probably not be able to host meets due to the depth of our lanes. Frank mentioned that summit county may have some since their team has shut down. Travis Avery at Summit High School is the contact to ask.

Pool Audit – RFP for the audit is on hold. Other groups are looking for space so we may try to combine this audit with a Needs assessment study. The audit will need a clear scope of work so that we get the most value out of it.

Jane appreciates the fund allocation and is hoping to support the pool.

Smokey also talked to some folks who are interested in the aquatic center subcommittee.

### **Budget**

Our budget is showing 20,000 less than last meeting normal due to our last calls to CTF not reporting up to date spending.

MBT grooming is currently as needed bases now that the holidays are over.

Tubing hill has been groomed twice over the holiday... The tubing hill earned 500/600 dollar days over the holidays. Groomers some berm work too.

CMC will start consistently grooming on the 21<sup>st</sup> for their Nordic trails.

New signs for MBT donations will be going up. The hope is to get a lot of next year's funding via this route. Smokey is optimistic on this opportunity and pointed to some recent success that the Wheelers have had. For grooming donations, see Grand Mesa website for a good example of donation run grooming at [gmnc.org](http://gmnc.org)

Tourism panel denied the request for signage and any grooming funds.

The currently get 160,000 annual budget from lodging tax. There was disappointment in how this meeting was run and of their response to the request.

Amber is willing to research the state statutes around the lodging tax and compile data from other counties on how they distribute their funds. The board would like to compile this data in order to potentially raise concerns with the BOCC and propose other allocation options.

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