

## Recreation Advisory Board Minutes

July 20, 2017

### Attendance:

Roger Lopez, Jesus Quintana, Brian Feddema, Amber Magee, Beth Helmke, Smokey Burgess, Mark Glenn, Kevin Linebarger, Justin Lopez and Paul Anderson

### Master Plan Updates:

Dog Park – Steve Whittington sent an email: they would like to stay on the Master Plan, completed and emailed an inventory for the park, there are no major needs at this time.

Huck Finn – No updates.

Singletrack – Brian updated: there is a work day on Saturday, July 22nd, they are working on moving trails forward at Turquoise Lake, the Wheelers are trying to get more organized and potentially have a paid, full time staff person to run the organization, they are continuing to work on general trail maintenance.

GOL – Beth updated: RR is going well and their partners are awesome, they are now getting ready for school year programs.

### Directors Report:

Amber forgot to do one ☺ but the Rec Department is business as usual!

### Treasurers Report:

Paul was absent/late so we did not have one.

### Recreation Advisory Board Chair Report:

Smokey attended the MBT meeting in July, and was disappointed. The broken groomer was not on their radar. Sarah Mudge has worked with Brad Palmer and Bob ? and they believe that the tiller can be fixed. Bob says he is impressed with how well the groomer has been maintained and if the tiller gets fixed believes that it should have a few more years of life. If the tiller cannot be fixed Bob has one that the County can purchase for \$90,000. Brad would like to be in charge of the grooming schedule/staff/training and Smokey has some concerns about that so they will continue to work out what that looks like for the coming winter. The goal is more consistency. Jodi Enderlin (sp?) would like to join the RAB and replace Alex. She is interested in focusing on winter trails and Smokey had spoken with her to request a letter of interest. There may be an email vote and if she is approved Jodi could join us at the August Retreat.

### Resource Reports:

Kevin

Will combine all reports and photos into a Google document. We may need to start a new Google Drive folder if Shoshanah cannot access the old one. Kevin noticed a common theme that everyone had reported that all of the facilities were clean.

Elm Street: Looks bad. Amber reminded everyone that this is the City's facility to care for now. Mark Glenn stated that the County will not take Elm Street Park back from the City until they install a sprinkler system.

Stringtown: Kevin spoke with the neighbor who has volunteered to help maintain the park. She and Roger have discussed bringing in boulders from the landfill and Aspen trees. There is grass growing through the pea gravel and the pea gravel gets stuck on the slide platform (can we try another base material around the slide?). Overall the equipment is outdated but functioning.

Triangle Park: This is a tough facility. Roger reported that there is no water/tap because the lien is caved in and would need to be re-run under Hwy 24. Improvements would be a shelter and water fountain. Kevin wonders if this space could function as a community garden.

Kendrick Park: Clean, lots to do. The soccer goals need nets that fit them. Roger reported that he had added snow fence to keep people from driving over to the park from the adjacent campground and using the bathrooms. The bathrooms have no water. Amber wonders about how we might get water to that facility.

Huck Finn Ice Rink: The current question is whether we install new lighting or get new hockey boards in 2018. One option for lengthening the lifespan of the rink is adding sections or refrigeration. Curling would like to try and set up a few sheets at Ice Palace Park but the bathrooms would need to be winterized. Roger thinks that access would be an issue and that it might ruin the grass.

Paul

MBT: Could DH be a trailhead? What would folks want? Permanent toilets, shelter, etc. The plowed sections seem to be those with the most damage. There are a few minimal signage improvements but a bigger concern in the Toledo sink hole and the need to stop erosion. MBT/Howard is working on fundraising through the Mine Safety Reclamation Grants program to help R&B address these areas. Brad will be repaving some sections this summer.

Amber

Gave updates on Leiter, Baker, Skyline and Harrison Fields as well as Dutch Henry and the Aquatic Center. I emailed my reports to the group. We left the 6<sup>th</sup> Street Gym off our inventory, Amber will complete this.

Shoshanah

Was not present but has completed her inventory of Community Park and the Rodeo Grounds.

**Next Steps:**

1. A workgroup will work on setting priorities based on these inventories (Amber, Smokey and Kevin).
2. We will make decisions about these priorities at the retreat and decide what CTF funds should be saved and which should be used for maintenance.

**Next Meeting Date:**

Annual Retreat - September 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm at the Elks

After the retreat our meetings will be moved to the first Thursday of the month.