

**Canon City Area Metropolitan Recreation and Park District**  
**575 Ash Street**  
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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**January 11, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER** The Canon City Area Metropolitan Recreation and Park District Board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President, Jim Johnson, in the board meeting room located at 575 Ash Street.

**ROLL CALL**

Board Members:

Present:                 Jim Johnson  
                               Nick Sartori  
                               Brett James

Staff:                     Kyle Horne         Executive Director  
                               Dawn Green        Finance Director

Attorney:                Dan Slater

Guests:                 Tim Payne

**ACCEPTANCE OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Board member Nick Sartori made a motion, seconded by board member Brett James to accept the consent agenda as written on the January 11, 2022 regular meeting agenda. Motion carried unanimously, all present voting aye.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

- No citizen addressed the board at this time.

**ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

- No written or oral communications were discussed.

**DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

Executive Director – Kyle Horne reported:

- Kyle Horne referenced his written board report, copies of which were included in the board packets. He stated he would be pleased to answer any questions the board members might have. There were no follow up questions or comments

Dan Slater:

- Dan Slater had no report.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Mr. Tim Payne gave a report regarding the December 2, 2021 meeting of the Urban Renewal Authority. He spoke briefly of the two approved redevelopment projects, each approximately one million dollars and dealing with public right of way and infrastructure issues - one to Faricy Ford and the other to Tezak Heavy Equipment at the old Fremont Bank. He reported that on the horizon is the Abbey redevelopment. The developers have not applied yet and it is in discussions.

He answered questions from the board regarding the length of the process, stating that the Faricy request application took about 6 months. A factor in the process depends on how the county assessor values it. He went on to state that there will be a future meeting with attorneys. He said that the City of Canon City put a half a million dollars into the URA as seed money.

- Kyle spoke to AHRA regarding the river permit and discovered that the idea to have a private permit will not be allowed. Instead, AHRA and the State should look to have some sort of non-profit/governmental permit to allow the organizations to teach people how to be safe on the river. FibArk found out about these discussions and expressed interest in such a permit. If such a permit would be granted to the Recreation District, when the District is done with it, the permit would cease.

An advantage to this new type of permit would be the reduced cost. However, Kyle stated that nothing regarding creating a new permit moves quickly and the process could take a year to complete. The Recreation District did budget in 2022 some funding for its cost. He went on to say that AHRA now sees there is an unmet need. The Recreation District already has a relationship with AHRA and going this route would give more time for the program to be established. Kyle estimated that the annual cost of the permit would be \$500.

Board member Brett James asked if the gear is ready to go. Kyle responded that RG Rio will acquire the gear through grant money and has reached out to the Daniels Fund.

He went on to state that if the Recreation District acquires the permit, then an agreement can be worked out with RG Rio.

- Copies of the District's 2022 budget were given to the board members.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- James McDaniel informed Kyle that he does not want to continue doing the concessions at Rouse Park. He had been doing so for approximately 30 years. Kyle would like to recognize his work as he was always open when events and leagues were scheduled at the park.

Kyle is working on an RFP (Request for Proposals). Replacing Mr. McDaniel may be difficult. It may be that an individual may put in a proposal to only operate during certain programs, rather than covering the entire year.

The board discussed having the Recreation District run the concession stand. Kyle stated that the District has a hard enough time scheduling supervisors and officials. It would be difficult to staff it and the cost of doing so may be prohibitive. Nor does the District have a license to sell food. Board member Jim Johnson asked how having the District operate it would fit with the cost recovery goals. The option to open it up to food trucks was discussed. Board member Brett James stated that he likes the idea of breaking up the concession lease among programs as the time commitment to cover the entire year is tough. There was further discussion regarding tournaments, possibly making them off limits or increasing the concession fee for those.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-1**

#### **A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE LOCATIONS FOR POSTING PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETINGS FOR THE CAÑON CITY AREA METROPOLITAN RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS**

Board member Jim Johnson made a motion, seconded by board member Nick Sartori to adopt resolution 2022-1. The resolution was adopted with all members present voting aye.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-2**

#### **A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AN OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF RECORD FOR THE CAÑON CITY AREA METROPOLITAN RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT**

Board member Nick Sartori made a motion, seconded by board member Brett James to adopt resolution 2022-2. The resolution was adopted with all members present voting aye.

- Board member Brett James stated that he would like to hear from the department heads. He suggested that perhaps they could rotate attending a board

meeting quarterly to increase communication between board members and senior staff. This would allow them to let the board know what their concerns are and what they might need.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to conduct, Board Chairman Jim Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved as written or amended:

*/s/ Dawn Green*

Dawn Green, Finance Director

*/s/ Jim Johnson*

Jim Johnson, Meeting Chair