

Town of Green Mountain Falls Parks, Recreation, and Trails Meeting Minutes 10615 Green Mountain Falls Road Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Committee Members Present

Committee Members Absent

Chair Jesse Stroope
Vice Chair Jay Kita
Member Nancy Dixon
Member Phil McIntire
Member Don Walker
Alt Member Dani Hainds

Secretary
Member Nancy Dixon

Trustees Present

Town Staff Present

TC Bo Ayad Marshal Goings

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Parks, Recreation, and Trails meeting called to order at 3:00pm by Chair Stroope.

2. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CORRECTION TO THE AGENDA

Walker moved to approve the agenda. McIntire seconded. Motion passed - 5/0.

3. SPEAKERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

No comments.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Walker moved to approve the meeting minutes from March 13, 2024. Dixon seconded. Motion passed - 5/0.

5. BUSINESS

a. Marshal Goings had attended a 2 day Bear Aware conference. He happily reported that GMF is one of the stronger municipalities regarding bear and human conflict due to their trash laws and being proactive. The bear population is growing and the need for educating visitors is important. Colorado Parks and Wildlife are having another round of grants to help municipalities resolve their bear and human conflicts. GMF will be applying for some of this funding to make door hangers for Short Term Rentals (STR) that give info about living with bears/wildlife. Also, to fund webbing that can be attached to resident's trash receptacles that are more bear resistant and cheaper than a bear

- resistant receptacle. Marshal will send final notes of the conference to Dixon to be distributed to the committee.
- b. Walker recommended that the compost bathrooms at Gazebo Park not be opened for the summer season. That type of bathroom was not designed for an urban environment and it is extremely labor intensive to maintain as well as costly. There is also a sewage leak. Dixon moved to send a recommendation to town staff to keep the Gazebo Park bathrooms closed and rent an additional port-a-pot. Kita seconded. Motion passed 5/0. **Dixon will compose an advice memo.** Walker presented a notebook that contained a map and pictures of all the town signage with their present condition. This will be used to keep signage maintained.
- c. The special event permit from Russ Iverson, member of Friends of the Peak, to have a Bigfoot Hike in GMF on Sept 14th, 8am-noon, was presented. Friends of Ute Pass Trails will be funding a port-a-pot at Joyland for the event. Chair Stroope moved that an advice memo be written to the Board asking for the special event fees be waived. McIntire seconded. Motion passed 5/0. **Dixon will compose an advice memo to the Board.**
- d. The Gazebo bridge lighting packet was discussed. The style, Chapel Hill, was picked. Chair Stroope moved to recommend the lighting style, Chapel Hill, to town staff and also ask if there were any 'dark sky' options. Kita seconded. Motion passed 5/0. **Dixon will compose an advice memo.**
- e. Community Work Day (CWD) will be scheduled for May 4th, 9-11am. **Dixon will notify town staff.** Captain A: Mowing/trimming of each park Kita, Captain B: Remove invasive plants/mitigate weeds/raking/remove debris/planters at Gazebo Island Dixon, Captain C: Spray goose repellent/goose poop clean up McIntire, Captain D: PRT park commitments for May/June Stroope. **Chair Stroope will check on supplies. He will also check if Galvanize Recycling can be at the CWD**. TC Ayad confirmed that the triangle area on Spruce is on town Right of Way.
- f. Chair Stroope reviewed the revised copy of the 2024 Park Maintenance Plan. Clean out of the lake outlet was added. Adopt-A-Garden areas will be added to give Public Works awareness.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

Email from Laura Morgan asking that the playground equipment where the broken slide was removed could be replaced with something else. Since the equipment is so old, the order for a replacement slide by Public Works was canceled. Morgan suggested a climbing net. Stroope and Walker will look at the equipment again and see what can be done. Chair Stroope will reply to Morgan's email. Dixon will look into either an additional piece of equipment or replacement of the existing broken piec. Chair Stroope had received a phone call from a GMF resident who is a frequent hiker. He had had an encounter with a trail worker about his desire not to use the stairs at the Mt.

Dewey trailhead. The trail worker had sent a follow-up email to the resident stating that

he should hike other trails and follow the Hiker 5 that is posted. PRT members decided not to pursue any further action.

7. REPORTS

With Walker being elected to the Board of Trustees, there will be an opening on the PRT committee. The committee will accept applications until May 1st. At their May 8th meeting, they will discuss the applicants and make a recommendation to the Board.

Dixon will notify town staff and ask they post a notice for the PRT opening.

9. ADJOURNMENT at 4:08pm.