



**Town of Green Mountain Falls
Parks, Recreation, and Trails Meeting Minutes
10615 Green Mountain Falls Road
Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present

Chair Jesse Stroope
Vice Chair Jay Kita (Zoom)
Member Nancy Dixon
Member Ron Gans (Zoom)
Member Don Walker

Town Staff Present

Nate Scott

Board Members Absent

Secretary

Member Nancy Dixon

Trustees Present

Mayor Todd Dixon

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Parks, Recreation, and Trails meeting called to order at 3:03pm by Chair Stroope.

2. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CORRECTION TO THE AGENDA

Chair Stroope accepted the agenda.

3. SPEAKERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

No public speakers.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Walker moved to approve the meeting minutes from November 10, 2022 and the minutes from the On Site Workshop on November 30, 2022. Kita seconded. Motion passed - 5/0.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Chair Stroope gave the sign company the information from PRT's Parking Signage work session. Drafts should be available for the January PRT meeting.
- b. Chair Stroope contacted Lisa Koselak who has engraved pavers for both the church and the Gazebo. She still has order forms that were used previously. Robert King has left over pavers from the Gazebo project that he is wanting to give back to the town. Chair Stroope reminded the committee that there are 100+ blank pavers at the Gazebo that could be purchased also.
- c. Gans presented his site plan for the proposed dumpster blind location. Gans asked if the plan had been shared with Waste Management (WM) to verify if there is enough clearance for their trucks to load/unload. The site plan had been forwarded to WM but

they haven't responded yet. Chair Stroope asked the following questions: Could the street side be dressed up? Should the recycling door be moved to the street side? If it is moved, could a tree be saved? Discussion was held on having the site plan as a square vs a rectangle. Dixon suggested that all the trees be examined for health. **Chair Stroope will have the trees evaluated and also follow up with WM to verify what their trucks need for loading/unloading the rolloff.** Discussion was held on what could be done with the street side of the blind. Ideas included having a mural painted or reusing the Green Box vinyl prints. Gans was thanked by PRT members for his work on this site plan.

- d. Gans has received the topo drawings for the stilling basin. Dixon relayed the information that due to a communication line that needs to be moved, the stilling basin will not be completed until Spring 2023. Chair Stroope said that will give PRT time to engage the community with beautifying the area. **Gans will have a stilling basin site plan for the January 11th PRT meeting.** He was concerned that there is very little area to work with. He also wanted to make sure the overall view is considered. This would include what could be done for the uphill of the basin site as well as the downhill. Chair Stroope would like to have a Flagpole/Squires Park site plan next to look at the possibility of having town memorials centrally located.
- e. Chair Stroope shared with PRT that the CDBG Phase II grant will be due in February 2023. Walker gave a very detailed report about the Gazebo bridge. Summary: Emergency Public Safety Work would be \$105,900. If Restoration Work is added the total would be \$215,940. Chair Stroope asked if PRT knew what the maximum ask for the grant is. **Since PRT didn't know, the TM will be asked this question.** Chair Stroope did a walkthrough of the Gazebo with Mike Penman. Penman said the Gazebo is stable. The Gazebo is needing to be repainted and there could be water damage in the roof. Chair Stroope suggested that a historical grant could be a good fit to finance these repairs/improvements. <https://www.historycolorado.org/historic-structure-assessment-grant> This grant is up to \$15,000 with a \$5,000 match. Dixon shared her playground vision/wishlist to replace the mulch and sand ground covering with rubber base for handicap accessibility. Some of the playground equipment is still in good shape: the climbing structure, swing set and spinning circle. She suggests that one of the swings be replaced with a molded bucket seat with a harness for inclusiveness. The circle area where the sand is would have the sand replaced with a rubber base and equipment that would meet clearance requirements. She did not have any cost estimates. Kita is needing more time to get bathroom estimates.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. The ice floe on the Hondo side of the Catamount Trail is not passable without ice equipment. Thomas Trial crossing of the falls is in the same condition. Discussion was held as to closure of that area or posting a Winter Advisory for trails. **Chair Stroope moved that a temporary Winter Advisory be posted at trailheads and that the**

Board be notified of the postings. He also moved that PRT ask the town to make permanent signs that could be posted seasonally by PRT. Seconded by Dixon. Motion passed - 5/0. Dixon will make the temporary Winter Advisory sign and bcc PRT members for their input.

7. Correspondence
No correspondence
8. Reports
 - a. The end of the year Friends of Ute Pass Trails report was reviewed. It listed the trail maintenance items that the Friends had accomplished in 2022 and a list of items to be addressed in 2023. Chair Stroope complimented the Friends group for their hard work and expertise. He mentioned that the town is fortunate to have this group to help maintain and build town trails. PRT members agreed.

9. ADJOURNMENT at 4:27pm.