

MEETING NOTES

Parks and Recreation Committee

Regular Meeting

May 7, 2012 5:30pm



Present:

Susan Juergensmeier
Noel Hess
Barb Richard
Dan Skinner
Rick Giamanco
Yvonne Bryant
Sue Peterson
Scott O'Brien
Jason Smith

Meeting Dates and Reports

- 2012 Meeting Dates (Meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 at Town Hall). Susan Juergensmeier reported to committee that she as chairperson will facilitate monthly meetings.
 - Upcoming Meeting Dates:
 - May 7
 - June 4
 - July 9
 - August 6
 - September 10
 - October 1
 - November 5
 - December 3
- PRAC Reports to Council:
 - Rick volunteered to give report to Council on June 5. Scott will prepare outline for PRAC review at next meeting on June 4th.
 - Upcoming Reports to Council:

June 5

August (TBD)

November (TBD)

Old Business

- Master sign plan discussion:
 - Group continues to discuss possible temporary signage for parks until the master sign plan for the Town is complete. Several members discussed the need for signage to direct users to key elements.
 - Yvonne recommended group look at “Natural Surface Trails by Design” by Troy Scott Parker which included signage and way finding examples.
 - Jason asked if the sign design being used for Lake Dillon Drive directional signage could serve as starting point for new signage.
 - Dan Skinner recommended group look at the small directional signage being used by Silverthorne.

New Business

- Minutes from last meeting and agenda were approved.
- Scott reported that one position for a Dillon resident was open in PRAC. Scott will facilitate advertising and interviews by Council for the new position.
- Scott presented an updated schedule for Marina Park Improvement Project. Work in spring will include installation of utilities and re-orientation of the parking area. Work in fall will include reconstruction of Marina Dr., installation of new walkways and rough grading for landscaping.
- Shelter locations for the new covered shelters in Town Park were agreed to by consensus. Shelters are scheduled to be installed in the spring. Group also agreed that minor landscaping was needed around the Bocce Courts, but seeding should be done in fall to give the grass the best chance for survival. Scott also brought in a sample of the new “red breeze” surfacing material which will be added to courts in the spring. Scott will work with the supplier to insure that the material will be suited for the intended use. Scott also presented some shading options for the area which included covered canopy structures. Scott will get pricing for the next meeting and the group will discuss the possibility of a capital purchase request for 2013.
- Scott reviewed with the group a base level option for the donation paver project in the Marina Park. Scott presented the standard engraved brick pavers and costs to purchase the pavers. Several members reported that this basic option was used at the CMC campus in Breckenridge. Dan suggested a more natural flagstone option and agreed to look into a cost and examples. Group suggested that the subcommittee assigned to paver project should give an update of the project at the next meeting. Scott reported that project would be best done in

- the fall in conjunction with the installation of the new sidewalks in the Marina Park. Group still needs to determine overall program and format.
- Farmer's Market/Town Park Master planning discussion:
 - Barb reported to the committee on a discussion she had with Joe Wray and Scott about the need to include space for events in the future Town Park master plan. Concern was expressed over how urgent was the need in light of the timing of the master plan process including community involvement.
 - Scott reported that he did not recommend moving the regular Farmers Market, but that the extended market could be tested on the ball field area in the fall to examine impacts. Scott reported on the real need to create an event venue in the core area of town, and the growing opposition to closing off streets and businesses in order hold such events. Jason echoed the overall communities support for events as well as the complaints over the lack of a dedicated venue. Rick expressed that he had heard concerns over street closures as well and didn't think it would be an issue for the Town to hold events in the park.
 - Yvonne reported on the growing national trend to create and design venues in downtown areas and parks and the growing trend towards including events in economic planning.
 - Dan mentioned that Vail was in the process of reconstructing some of their playing fields to accommodate events and fairs. Several members expressed that a multipurpose area would need to be engineered and costs could be high.
 - Sue stated that the Town Park had very specific dedications for "recreation" and that she did not think the term "event" was ever used. She stated that she was very happy with the format and process that was used for the Marina/Marina Park planning and thought that same process should be followed.
 - Barb expressed concern over statements she had heard that the park was underutilized. Barb reported on some number of users she had observed and what activities she saw them doing.
 - Due to the level of debate on the issue, Jason offered to discuss the issues at the next town board meeting and to report back to the group with direction from Council.
 - Meeting adjourned at 6:57pm.