

Red Lodge Parks Board Minutes from 12/18/13
Meeting Place: City Hall

Agenda Items:

1. **Meeting Called to Order at 5:35 pm**

Roll Call of Members: Present - Tom Kohley, Ray Masters, Doug Mackay, Bob Matter, Dan Seifert, Rue Freeman
Absent - None

Others: City staff and officials present: Bill Foisy (Council), James Caniglia (Red Lodge City Planner), Greg Lukasik and Mikah Laack (Great West Engineering)

2. **Announcements:** Bill handed out a flyer from Montana State Parks summarizing various grants available for 2014. This flyer was distributed to the Board for consideration.

3. **Minutes Review and Approval:** The minutes from the November 20, 2013 meeting were reviewed, with a motion made and passed to approve the minutes.

4. **Financial Summary:** Bill handed out a ledger for the accounting period 7/13 - 12/13, with expenses totaling \$30,835.66. Tom suggested creating more broad categories that would encompass more general items, rather than such specific line items.

5. **New Business:** Greg Lukasik and Mikah Laack from Great West Engineering were present and reported on the progress of the Parks Plan. They have met with some but not all of the User Groups. Mikah suggested having us prioritize the User Groups and their respective needs and objectives. Bill asked about the decision matrix which is to be delivered from the contractor prior to looking at prioritization.

It was the consensus that the inventory information and initial public input was not ready to be presented at the January 15th board meeting. This information should be completed and presented by the contractor at the February 19th meeting.

Rue agreed to follow-up on the Tennis, Farmers Market, Red Lodge Ice and Adult Softball, as these groups have not yet responded.

6. **Old Business:** James reported on the Online Survey results, with 111 respondents. So far, linear parks, trail corridors and pathways appear to be the most preferred type of park.

7. Committee Reports:

a. Trails and Natural Resources Committee (Tom & Doug):

- i. Bill handed out information on available Recreational Trail Program Grants. He also mentioned that he will be attending the training in Bozeman on January 9th.
- ii. We also discussed repair of the retaining wall in the Field School playground and the status of the Dog Park (interim vs. permanent). James agreed to follow-up on these two issues and will report back at our next meeting.

b. Recreational Facilities & Regulations Committee (Dan & Ray):

- i. No Comments

c. Planning and Finance Committee (Tom & Doug):

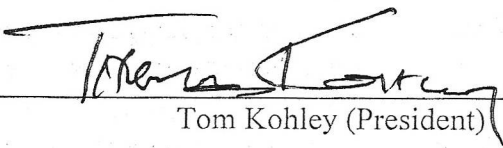
- i. No Comments

8. Citizen Comment: No Comments

9. Adjourn Meeting: The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Doug Mackay

Approved: _____


Tom Kohley (President)