

Boundary County Parks and Rec

Meeting Minutes

5/8/23

Attending: Brandon Glaza, Rob Tompkins, Tim Dougherty, Kayla Riek, Tess Rae: T. Dougherty arrived at 7:05 and the meeting was already in motion. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Guests: Matt Pluid: Boundary County little league. Danny Swift, Justin Figgins, Shane Patzer, Corey McReynolds. The discussion revolved around with the desire to get a little league program going. It's just the discussion as to how we signed up this past year. R. Tompkins stated that he would be surprised if their teams didn't improve next year and the following year. M. Pluid stated that he was going to file for a charter. He stated that he was going to also be a part of little league for the next 10 years or more as he has a family of boys and he wants them to play B. Ball. R. Tompkins asked what has gone on in the past with Little league as well as what was going to be offered for the girls. M. Pluid stated that they are also working on softball for the girls. T. Dougherty stated that he truly appreciates the efforts that these people are giving toward the little league efforts. Matt Pluid feels that they can have a very good program in Boundary County moving forward.

John Erickson: Boundary County Pickleball Assoc.: He asked about pickleball lines to be taken over versus tennis players and the tennis courts versus that time frame. There was significant discussion as to the number of courts available in Sandpoint versus Bonners Ferry. T. Dougherty stated that there are courts at Travers Park, at Memorial field and at the beach. There are only two tennis courts in Bonners Ferry, ID. To take over use of the slab versus lines on the tennis courts, R. Tompkins stated that he would like discussion of painting lines on the slab. T. Dougherty stated that he didn't want pickleball to take over management of the slab. He also stated that he felt BC Pickleball should approach the school district about painting additional courts on pavement / other surfaces if they want more than 2 courts (slab)

Employees attending: Kenny and Kaylie....

Previous Minutes: Sarah moves to approve minutes from last month's meeting. B. Glaza seconds and the motion passes. T. Dougherty apologized for the tardiness of getting the minutes from last month's meeting.

Maintenance Report: Kenny – Kenny first asked about the issue pending with a questionable individual down at the ball games. We decided to ask the police chief what our options should be. B. Zimmerman stated that he took care of the issue as well as he could.

Kenny stated that several of the bathrooms at the North fields broke during the winter '23 and that he will need to redo the plumbing on several of the toilet and sink fixtures. We will install valves and other items this Fall season.

R. Tompkins asked how Kenny is getting stuff done with BC road and bridge. We noted that the parking lot was graded. Rob stated that for years nothing got done.

Kenny stated that there are also issues as to whether or not we are being charged for water because numerous valves are not functioning properly. It doesn't appear that we are leaking a lot of water but he needs to do some further investigating.

The trees are getting addressed by Richardson and should be completed this week or next.

He added some trash cans down by the ball fields.

Kenny and Kylie have been doing the lining of the fields on their own. In discussing the little league proposal submitted by M. Pluid and others, if we do go ahead with their proposal, they will be responsible for field prep, lining and other necessities. We don't charge for field use or maintenance.

The batting cage for little league and other stuff has been taken care of.

Where the water spigot is, it was suggested to put a fence around the spigot versus the "keep out" signage above the spigot. Kenny wants to replace it as well.

Kylie White: there has been a handicapped porta-potty installed at the fairgrounds. Thank you very much Kylie.

Jodi is checking with the fairboard to see if they are giving us the security cameras.

Kylie asked about the volleyball net. It is here and she will put it up.

Little league asked about an end of season BBQ and a parents vs kids game. R. Tompkins stated that they don't need anything if it is NOT an official sanctioned event. If it is a sanctioned event, they would need insurance and a use agreement.

Fair asked if they could have the slab before the fair and after the fair. DON'T GET US STARTED with what the fairboard wanted and how they charge for use of BCP&R property. Kylie has the slab outlined on the calendar so that the slab is reserved.

B. Glaza mentioned that we may want to consider getting the wood chips being replaced at the playground. T. Dougherty stated that he will get with the Moyie mill to consider a truckload (chip-van) donated. He will also get with Clark Fairchild about a walking floor chip-van donation and have them haul and deliver the chips.

There was discussion as to the posting the minutes from previous meeting. T. Dougherty will send not only the minutes but also the attachments after approval by the board.

Treasurer Report: None. Sarah has to do the budget report for the FY. '24 which is due 5/15/23. There was discussion as to the fees for water / park irrigation December '21 – December '22. They are very similar.

There was discussion as to several line items: trees, sports programs, tennis courts, etc.

R. Tompkins after review stated that we should add the 3% to the budget on several line items (approx.. 3%). There was also discussion as to do we need to allocate some funding to equipment. It sounds like Kenny has a good handle on equipment.

Old Business

Tree Maintenance: See maintenance report. Tree work of \$3,400.00 was done and is complete. Brandon and Mike went on a walk about of the North fields, the quote he gave us was \$4,100.00. There was discussion as to should we be getting other quotes. It was **discussed** that Mike is a certified arborist as well as they have done an outstanding job for us in the past.

Memorial Park Bathroom: The commissioners and the architect have sent out a re-proposal for the bathrooms. The new bathroom bids are being opened tomorrow at 1:30 p.m.. B. Glaza stated that he spoke with a plumber and that once you involve architects and engineers in a building, then, the cost goes up. The plumber he spoke with stated that the plumbing would be in excess of \$200K; for 6 toilets, 2 urinals, 5 sinks and the rest. STUPID!!!!!!

Riverside Trails North Parks trails: The signs of driving into the riverside parks are going to be installed. Tess met with Steve Petesh met and Tim Bertling. Tim is now on the board of 9B Trails.

Exercise stations are now partly in place and will be in place in the coming weeks / months.

Tennis Courts: T. Dougherty stated that there was some issue with who is responsible for the repair of getting the tennis courts repaired. It was discussed that BCTA has the contacts for getting repairs. T. Dougherty stated he did not feel that repair is an option but rather replacement. It would be putting perfume on a turd.

Ice Rink: Nothing.

Well: We got a price quote from Scott Hittle for just shy of \$50K for the well at the fair-grounds. We will be contacting Ed Minden for another bid.

New Business

Skate Park fund raiser is this weekend.

B. Glaza motions to adjourn @ 9:40 pm. The motion is seconded and approved. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

T. Dougherty