

## **Boundary County Parks and Rec**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**06/06/2026**

**Attending:** Rob Tompkins, Annie Swift, Sarah Skinner, Kevin Knauth, Tess Rae, Brandon Glaza

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m.

**Employees:** Kylie and Gordon

**Guests:** Ron Sukenik, Commissioner of District 2 drainage district. He wanted to check in with us since multiple organizations are proposing modifications to the dikes. He provided some state statutes regarding structures to the BOD. Tess explained that we did talk to Tom Iverson prior to constructing the trails in 2019. Tess asked Ron for an easement map and he thought he could find it. We discussed gates and can provide a combo to Ron or we will remove the gate that is now in the center of the park. We agreed it would be good to coordinate since many folks have many different interests in the park property. We will do our best to keep the drainage district informed of what we have planned. Ron then switched to a second topic of pickle ball. He is an avid player and asked about the status of building more pickle ball courts in the county. We informed him of our plans for phase one at memorial park which includes pickle ball courts. He is advocating for more courts, which we agree with. Pickleball courts were one of the top ten interests of our Riverside park survey as well.

BCTA, about 6 folks were present including recovering BCPR board member Tim D. In not so few words, Tim reminded us that the tennis courts need repair and replacement. Lighted courts would be recommended. New windscreens have been purchased and will be installed. Tess showed excerpts from the website, BOCO parks and Rec. org which has background and other info. We are not sure what is allotted in our budget for tennis courts right now, but it was about \$46k in 2024. There was discussion about the current surface conditions, which are continuing to deteriorate. BCTA has about \$5k in their account to contribute towards improvements or replacements. Safety continues to be a concern during tennis play. There was discussion about pball courts on the slab, nets, etc. John doesn't think having one court on top of another is that bad of an issue. It seems that 2 tennis courts continues to accommodate the demand for tennis lately. Tim says thanks to the BOD for volunteering.

Joe, Sam, Rita and Robert from the VFW Legion Asked for what space they may have at the 4th of July. Mentioned that the temp fencing around the bathroom construction site will impact festivities. They will have a cannon for the event! We referred them to John Becker who is organizing the entire event for those details but appreciated them stopping in.

John Miller and Mary Esther Wilson from Brucefest and the Highland Games. They are anticipating more campers, about 20. Discussed options for fitting this along with parking for guests. We don't have a problem with the campers. Discussed portapotties, we've heard the rule of butts is about 40 people/toilet for events. Sign up for games is July 1 so better guess at attendance then. We reminded no spray paint on fields but cones are ok. We said its ok to setup cones to mark off areas on Friday evening along with campers arriving.

Alycia, local business of adventure ridge kids is interested in helping with the playground development at Riverside and is an advocate. Thanks you and Tess took her contact info.

**Maintenance Report:** Gordon needs a new chainsaw, can replace for \$220. Mower broke, \$900 repair and back running well. Belts for mowers on order. Gordon will remove the middle gate from the dike. Discussed sprayer options for field lines. Discussed options for felling the cottonwood snag. Problem with sprinkler system, turf company coming to diagnose this week hopefully. Thanks Gordon!

**Previous minutes:** TR motions to approve last months minutes. AS 2nd. Motion approved.

**Concession Stand:** About \$2k in the red so far in labor and additional food. Annie T, who is a fantastic individual who has a high tolerance for suffering, may volunteer during the July 4th event in hopes of getting us to break even. Parade is at 3pm and she needs volunteer help. Thanks Annie!

**Sports Director:** Slab had power issues. Tennis court had electric issues and was fixed. We have a few other issues that he will send a quote for. Flag football and Tball going well in 2nd week so far. Gift cards for refs is OK. Kylie not heard back from Ivory yet. John wants to add adult bocce ball which we support. Tennis camp almost full already. Smaller soccer goals need replaced soon. Kylie will get an idea of what we need and bring to next meeting. Eagles donated \$950 towards 'scholarships' to sports fees. Thank you!

**Treasurer Report:** None, reports coming later.

## **Old Business**

**Skate Park:** Nothing new. Tess moves to have BOD approve a contribution of \$700 towards the skatepark alliance for park designs, which allows them to meet their fundraising goal. RT 2nd. Motion carries.

**Bathrooms:** Should have started 2 weeks ago, but that's how things go...

**Tennis:** Nothing

**Riverside:** 6000 responses to survey. Nature themed playground, bathrooms and paths for walking were the most popular suggestions. Looked at some playground options from \$38k and \$13k for a toddler zone. Just for ideas...

**Irrigation Well:** BG will talk to Mike at the city about the well.

**Tree maintenance:** Priority work was completed and invoiced.

## **New Business:**

No new business presented.

SS motions to adjourn at 943pm. TR 2nd. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted, B. Glaza