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LOVELAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes ♦ February 8, 2018

Present: Wendi Cudmore, Katie Davis, Shane McWatters, Brett Dowgin, Gene Alvine, Constance Keeney, Leighton Millar, Kyle Regan

Staff: Molly Elder, Dan Willadsen, LeAnn Williams, Shanen Weber, Maria Thomas, Kim Lucero

Absent: Jessica Hinterberg, John Bradley, Elizabeth Kayl, Councilor Richard Ball

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:30p

Minutes: Minutes from the January 11, 2018 meeting were reviewed and approved with a change to reflect that Gene Alvine not present at the January meeting.

Council Liaison Report: Richard Ball was unable to attend due to another commitment. Wendi attended the most recent council meeting and provided information regarding the broadband discussion that occurred at the meeting.

Director's Report: Staff shared that our Golf Manager, Steve Southard, has given his notice and is relocating to Fort Worth, TX. We have posted the Golf Manager position and the posting closes on February 23rd. If you know of anyone who might be a good candidate please let them know about the opening. Staff also shared that the 2nd pedestrian bridge was recently placed at Viestenz-Smith Mountain Park. Video and pictures of the placement were taken and will be shared on social media. The 2017 Annual Report was distributed. Staff discussed the changes to the AR layout from last year. If board members have any input regarding the new layout please email Molly.

Big Thompson Master Plan Presentation: Chris Carlson presented to the group on the Big Thompson Master Plan which was recently completed. The plan has many implications for Parks and Recreation including issues related to water recreation, river access for the community, wayfinding signage, landscaping (natural vs. manicured), etc. Chris stated that the plan is science based but community driven. More information regarding the plan can be found at ABetterBigT.com. The group agreed to review the plan and, at the next commission meeting, approve the plan for recommendation to City Council.

2018/2019 Project Projections and Prioritization: Shanen Weber presented the department's project prioritization spreadsheet. The group discussed what each priority level means (high, med, low) and how it relates to the various projects. The group specifically discussed North Lake Park restrooms (whether or not that project would be completed in 2018 – staff was confident it would be), and vandalism at Mehaffey Park.

Appointment of Parks and Recreation Commission Vice Chairperson: Constance Keeney was nominated to serve as Vice Chairperson. Katie made the motion and Brett seconded the motion. The commission vote was unanimous that Constance will serve as the new Vice Chairperson for the Commission.

Packet for Sponsorship for Rec Trailer Program: LeAnn Williams presented the newly developed sponsorship packet which will be used to garner financial support for our programs and special events.

Commission Member Discussion: Katie requested that programming staff consider offering more pickleball classes including a parent/child class.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00pm.

**Next Meeting will be replaced by the Boards and Commissions event to be held on 3/8/2018. More info to come.
/s/ Wendi Cudmore, Chair**