



LOVELAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
Minutes ♦ June 14, 2018

Present: Wendi Cudmore, Katie Davis, Gene Alvine, Jessica Hinterberg, Constance Keeney, John Bradley, Leighton Millar

Staff: Elizabeth Kayl, Dan Willadsen, LeAnn Williams, Mark Esoda, Kim Lucero

Absent: Councilor Richard Ball, Shane McWatters, Brett Dowgin

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

Minutes: Minutes from the May 10, 2018 meeting were reviewed and approved without changes.

Public Attendees: There was one member present to listen for information related to Colorado native plants.

Council Liaison Report: No update to report as the Council Liaison was not in attendance.

Director's Report: Elizabeth Kayl discussed personnel updates and introduced Mark Esoda as our new Golf Manager. Mark introduced himself to the group and is very excited to be here in Loveland. He passed out his business cards and asked for any questions. Mark explained that most of his career was in the private sector and mostly spent in Atlanta. Questions were asked about golf passes and how people get on the waitlist for Mariana Butte. Mark will get an answer and get back with the group. Using a lottery system was suggested. It was also mentioned that there are many incursions into the golf course from personal residences and suggested that there be monitoring and enforcement. Elizabeth explained how process currently works. The homeowner is approached about it first and if homeowner is willing to do something, then follow up is made to make sure problem has been corrected. If there is resistance, then a letter will be sent to the homeowner allowing a certain amount of time to remove their personal property. If there is no response from the homeowner, then enforcement with fines and severe penalties will be made. It seems that for the most part, homeowners comply when money is involved. Elizabeth stated that Golf Division will work with the Code Enforcement and Legal Departments and that the Golf Advisory Board is very engaged and robust. Elizabeth also mentioned that our new Parks and Rec Planning Manager, Bryan Harding, is coming on board soon. Bryan is coming from Boulder and most importantly is an expert on emergency management and led Boulder through the 2013 flood. Having his knowledge on FEMA and recovery with Boulder in addition with his experience in planning and architecture will be a gem in our crown. Bryan will be at the next commission meeting to introduce himself. Elizabeth advised that Commissioner Member, Kyle Regan, resigned due to employment out of the area and there is now a vacancy. Position was offered to alternate, John Bradley, who accepted. A motion was made and all were in favor of John stepping into this position, which opens up the



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alternate role. Elizabeth asked commission to provide suggestions for an alternate.

Youth Athletic Grant Follow-Up Discussion/Options: LeAnn Williams provided a recap of the YAG history and process that was presented at last month's commission meeting and provided five options for the Commission to decide on. The Commission decided to rule out options by process of elimination, and it was unanimously decided that option 5 (external) would be the best option for the program. A draft of the YAG application will be provided at the next Commission meeting. The Commission will have the sole responsibility of putting it out to the community and will take ownership of the program. It was decided that the program will be reevaluated in a year or so and that this is best practice. LeAnn will work with the P&R marketing team to get the information out, and the Commission will ultimately be responsible for distribution. Everyone agreed that the main idea is to help our youth in the community. It was recommended that a sub-committee be formed for recommendations to be brought to the table for the Commission to decide how it will be used.

Hang Gliding, Paragliding, and Powered Paragliding Policy: Dan Willadsen discussed the reason behind the draft policy proposed and provided to the Commission. City parks are becoming landing fields for these types of activities and are an attractive nuisance and safety issue for youth on our fields. The City does not want to be responsible for the safety of multiple park users; and, therefore, the legal department is working to put this policy in place. This policy will explain enforcement and people will not just be cited. There is currently a person running a hang-gliding business on one of our parks on multiple days of the week throughout the day. This policy will also apply to the open lands division. Commission was asked to provide any feedback, comments, and/or concerns to Dan for future consideration. Commission would like to include a clause for special permit use for hang-gliding and will submit to Dan. Motion for special permit clause was made and approved. It was also noted that a policy regarding drones is forthcoming.

Commission Member Discussion: John Bradley advised that there were about 15 people at the Citizens' Committee and that the City Manager was there as well. Everyone hopes that the bill for the school district passes so P&R can restart their committee with all of the same members and will begin in November once the school issue bill passes. There is support for a capital projects tax increase. Wendi asked when the Long View Trail would be finished. She was told in August or September. Elizabeth has recommended that public comment be placed in future agendas following the Director's Report. It was agreed that public would only be allowed a minimum of three minutes each to speak.

Meeting adjourned at 5:51pm
Next Meeting 7/12/2018

/s/ Wendi Cudmore, Chair