



PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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LOVELAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes ♦ September 9, 2010

Present: Katie Davis, Jack Doyel, Neil Spooner, Leighton Millar, Gene Alvine, Deborah Manderscheid, Gregg Theander

Staff: Gary Havener, Keven Aggers, Larry Callihan, Merinda Bennett, Marilyn Hilgenberg

Absent: Twyla Dennis

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm and the Commission toured the progress on the Chilson Construction Project. Construction is still planned for December 15th completion.

Minutes: Minutes of the August 12, 2010 meeting were approved as written

Council Liaison Report: None – Hugh McKean (City Council Liaison) was not present.

Commission Member Discussion

Neil Spooner reported that next week the Bike Steering Committee is scheduled for their first meeting.

Highway 287 Underpass Recreation Trail Project - The north Highway 287 Trail Underpass project is moving along well. The west side of the project is moving along with trail boxes placed last week and the road should be re-paved next week. The project is on schedule for road opening of October 30th.

Ashlee Taylor has been hired as the new **Chilson Center Facility Manager** and will begin work on September 29th. She was selected out of an applicant pool of 236 candidates and staff is excited about the expertise and energy she brings to the position.

The City Manager's Proposed 2011 Budget was briefly discussed. The City Managers Proposed 2011 budget will be presented to the City Council on September 14th. Budget proposals to the City Council include both a base budget for 2011 and an option for discussion regarding budget reductions of up to 20%, as a result of projected impacts from the proposed **Election Propositions/Amendments on the November ballot**. The Commission discussed the impacts of the ballot initiatives on the Parks and Recreation Department and voted (5-2) to send a resolution in opposition of Amendments 60 & 61, and Proposition 101. Gene Alvine, the Chair of the Parks and Recreation Commission, will send a response to the Chair of the Financial Advisory Commission stating the Commission's stand on these ballot measures.

Adjourned at 5:30pm

Marilyn Hilgenberg