

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
April 21, 2010
CASTLE ROCK PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was held on April 21, 2010 at Castle Rock Recreation Center, 2301 Woodlands Blvd., Castle Rock, CO. Ron Claussen, Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 p.m.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ron Claussen (Chair)	Rebecca Erickson
Dee Morgenthaler	Caryn Johnson
Nyle Miller (absent)	Patrick Lohr
David Quintana-TAG (absent)	

COMMISSION LIAISON PRESENT:

Mitch Dulleck (absent)

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rob Hanna	Jennifer Martin
Jeff Brauer (absent)	Eileen Matheson
Kristen Trbovich	Curt Williams (absent)
Dan Schwartz	Charles Montoya, Finance Director

II. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

**IV. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
(REVIEW / APPROVAL)**

ACTION: Approve the March 17, 2010 meeting minutes as transcribed except add a "Y" to the end of Cramer Property title.

MOTION: Dee Morgenthaler

SECOND: Caryn Johnson

Motion passes 4-0. Patrick Lohr was late.

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V. 2010 NOVEMBER ELECTION VOTER INITIATIVES

Prior to attending the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting, members received in their commission packet, a memo that Charles Montoya, Finance Director distributed to Town Council on March 9, 2010, the Colorado Secretary of State certified three ballot initiatives that will have various impacts to the Town. Mr. Montoya then distributed a "DRAFT" one-page summary of Proposition 101, Amendment 60 and Amendment 61 as well as a handout from the proponents of these three initiatives. He explained how these initiatives would impact the Town. Detailed information on these initiatives can be found in the Parks and Recreation Commission packet.

VI. TEEN ADVISORY GROUP (TAG) UPDATE-DAVID QUINTANA

None.

VII. DECISION MODEL –STRATEGIC PLAN- RECREATION DIVISION COST RECOVERY AND SALES AND USE TAX ALLOCATION-EILEEN MATHESON

As taken from Eileen's commission memo, "Based on difficult economic conditions and potential restructuring of the Town's revenue structure, Town Council has tasked Recreation staff to work with Parks and Recreation Commission to establish a goal and target for sales and use tax allocation to the Community Center Fund and Recreation Division cost recovery. Therefore, the purpose of this agenda item is to provide information to Commission that will engage them in an initial discussion of cost recovery options and subsidy allocation alternatives."

After reviewing the items that Eileen outlined and discussed, commission members felt that the Recreation Division has increased fees to their limits before it begins to impact attendance to the Recreation Center and programs. Commission members felt that we need to educate the public of where the Department is at financially and provide them with a long-term financial game plan. Members would also like to look at partnerships and joint use options to cost share. Rob said that there may be opportunities with the hospital to provide warm water therapy.

Rob said that we have looked at fees and tolerances in the previous months and suggested that we discuss facilities and models, pros/cons and business plan models versus use models in the upcoming months.

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VIII. COMMENTS FROM THE DIRECTOR-ROB HANNA

Two new Council members, Brian Logan, District 2, and Clark Hammelman, District 6 were sworn in on April 13, 2010. They replace Mayor Randy Reed and Councilman Douglas Lehen, respectively, who both were ineligible to run due to term limits. Once installed, the seven-member Council elected Ryan Reilly to serve as Mayor and Chip Wilson as Mayor Pro Tem. Both are one-year terms. Mitch Dulleck was asked to remain as the Parks and Recreation Commission liaison.

9Health Fair is scheduled for Friday, April 23 at the Recreation Center.

Bob Persichetti has returned to Red Hawk Ridge as the Head Golf Pro.

IX. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Caryn asked why the Masters Swim Program continues to lose money. Eileen advised her that participants are not willing to pay for the program and that staff is researching ways to restructure the program such as requiring pre-registration for scheduled times to determine if enough participants will be there before scheduling an instructor. Patrick asked if staff has asked the swim teams if they are interested in running the program and Eileen responded by saying yes they have asked them.

Caryn asked if there was a new tennis instructor and she was advised that Barry Riddle with Parker Tennis will be the new instructor.

Ron said that he appreciates all that the staff has been doing with providing updates each month on different scenarios etc.

Rebecca informed the group that she is the Parks and Recreation Commission member that has been appointed to the Philip S. Miller Legacy Project committee. The Miller family has a \$30 million trust of which the Town receives 20%. It continues to receive earnings while it is in reserves. The Legacy committee has a \$600,000 budget of which they will determine how to utilize it whether it is a lump sum project or several small projects. In addition, the trust will continue to distribute \$30,000 annually to the General Fund for maintenance and upkeep of the selected project(s). The family wished to focus on projects for youth, families and parks. Rebecca would like to pursue ideas with the Parks and Recreation Department, as the students on the committee would like to see a park or gathering place. They also enjoy music and arts so an amphitheater would be another good idea. The Legacy Committee will be making recommendations to Town Council by the end of summer.

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Rob and staff will be presenting ideas for a regional park, amphitheater, etc. in the upcoming weeks as to what can be accomplished by utilizing these funds. The miller's like "brick and mortar" projects such as the Phillip S. Miller Library and the Douglas County Admin Building.

X. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Patrick Lohr
SECOND: Dee Morgenthaler
Motion passes 5-0.