

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**  
*May 18, 2011*  
**CASTLE ROCK PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was held on May 18, 2011 at Castle Rock Recreation Center, 2301 N. Woodlands Blvd., Castle Rock, CO.

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Ron Claussen (Chair) (absent)	Kenzie Dulleck (TAG rep.) (absent)
Dee Morgenthaler (Vice Chair)	Caryn Johnson
Rich Ward	

**COMMISSION LIAISONS PRESENT:**

Brian Logan	Jennifer Green
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**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Rob Hanna	Jennifer Martin (absent)
Jeff Brauer	Eileen Matheson
Kristen Trbovich	Curt Williams
Rebecca Erickson	Jeff Smullen (absent)

**I. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA**

**II. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**III. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

**ACTION:** No Quorum.

**IV. PRESENTATION TO SPECIAL GUESTS & OUTGOING COMMISSION MEMBERS**  
**ROB HANNA**

Rob thanked Mitch Dulleck, outgoing Council Member, for his support of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Mitch mentioned his service was fun and interesting, especially to see the growth and progress of the parks and trails.

**V. GRAZING LEASE TOWN OPEN SPACE – JEFF BRAUER**

Jeff reported that the Parks and Recreation Department has been approached by a request to graze cattle/cows/etc. on town owned open space. The request is in the Castle Oaks community. Jeff explained the benefits of grazing; decrease in wild fires, economic advantages, and a possible reduction in infection. He also explained

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there would be possibly disadvantages, such as, erosion, private property owner's opinions, and the debate over agricultural vs. urban philosophy.

Commission Member, Dee, inquired about the management terms. Rob mentioned the carrying capacity can change based on weather, land, features on land (like fences). Our natural resource specialist would help do evaluations and the department would be in charge of fencing the land.

Other discussions included land that is currently grazed by the town, which there is no other at this time. It was mentioned some citizens graze their own goats and horses, but not on town land. Curt mentioned there is somewhat of a high complaint rate from citizens regarding dead animals that turns out to be sleeping horses or cattle.

Brian mentioned he is concerned about the location of this request. Myrtle Gulch is under town priority at the time to fight against erosion. This, in his opinion, might not help in those efforts.

Commission recommended staff to do more research on the proposal, specifically, looking into carrying capacity and specific location of town land that would be used for grazing.

## **VI. RECOMMENDATION FOR WRANGLER PARK**

The design for Wrangler Park was presented to Town Council on April 26, 2011. The bids from seven general contractors were received and Designscares of Colorado provided the low bid for Wrangler of \$1,116,967.84.

Two options will be presented to Town Council to address the higher bids that include: Option A, reduce the scope of the project to match the approved budget of \$800,000 or Option B, increase the budget by \$185,000 to \$985,000 to preserve the overall project size with some reduction in non-essential design items.

Park staff is recommending approval of Option B by Parks and Commission and Town Council in the amount of \$985,000 instead of funding the full low bid proposal of \$1,116,967.84 because the changes proposed would not significantly impact the capacity of the park or amenities available to residents.

Parks and Recreation Commission made an informal recommendation to go forward with Option B and approving the construction contract with Designscares Colorado for the Construction of Wrangler Park that authorizes Option B, and allocates an additional \$185,000.00 from the impact fee fund balance.

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**VII. UPDATES FROM TAG REPRESENTATIVE – KENZIE DULLECK**

Kenzie did not attend the meeting.

**VIII. COMMENTS FROM PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR – ROB HANNA**

Rob mentioned several upcoming events; Tri the Rock on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, National Trails Day on June 4<sup>th</sup> and Ride the Ridge on August 20<sup>th</sup>.

Rob announced that Town Council approved the Parks and Recreations Commission recommendations. Rebecca Erickson, Dee Morgenthaler, and Richard Ward have been reappointed and Carla Collinge will replace Patrick Lohr's term.

**IX. COMMISSION COMMENTS**

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

No motion recorded.