



LOVELAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes ♦ March 10, 2016

Present: Twyla Dennis, Joe Waneka, Leighton Millar, Wendi Cudmore, Brian Steckelberg
Staff: Elizabeth Anderson, Keven Aggers, Janet Meisel-Burns, Scott Sinn, Kelly Smith, Carol Wallace
Absent: Gene Alvine, Katie Davis, Deborah Manderscheid, Constance Faber, Hugh McKean (City Council Liaison)

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

Minutes: Minutes of the February 11, 2016 were approved as written.

Council Liaison Report: None

Director's Report:

Molly Elder has been hired as the new Business Manager for the Parks & Recreation Administration Office.

Boards & Commission Summit:

Twyla Dennis represented the Parks and Recreation Commission at the Boards & Commission Summit on March 3, 2016. Twyla found the Summit very informative and it was helpful to have contact with other Boards & Commissions.

2016 Recreation Trails Update:

A PowerPoint presentation with discussion gave Commission members an update on the Recreation Trail. 2015 accomplishments were listed along with the current projects which are: North Colorado Front Range Trail, Longview Corridor Trail, The Flood Recovery of the Wilson Pedestrian Bridge and the Recreational Trail between Taft and Wilson, Trail from Namaqua to West US 34 Underpass and the Trail from Namaqua to Wilson. The Front Range Trail is a joint project with Larimer County and Fort Collins. The Longview Corridor Trail connects two cities and will be parallel to Taft/Shields. This trail will connect four natural areas. Maps showing locations and trail routes were also discussed.

Youth Athletic Grant Funding Recommendations:

Discussion was held about the various sports groups who applied for the Youth Athletic Grant. The Commission Subcommittee presented the following recommendations for distribution of the grant money: Loveland Baseball Association \$2,250 for scholarships; Loveland Youth Athletic Association \$2,000 for scholarships; Loveland Swim Club \$2,000 for scholarships; United Soccer Club \$2,000 for scholarships; Boys & Girls Club of Larimer County \$750 for equipment; Rockets Booster Club \$1,000 for scholarships and equipment. The subcommittee's recommendations were unanimously approved by Commission members.

Commission Discussion:

Chilson Recreation Center is planning a banner that will recognize all the hard work that staff has done at this increasingly busy athletic center. The Parks and Recreation Commission discussed writing a letter to present to staff expressing their appreciation of all the hard work done in the department.

Budget information for 2017 will be presented at next month's meeting along with any topic that the Commission members would like to discuss.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm
/s Wendi Cudmore, Chair