



**MINUTES
CITY OF LAUREL
PARK BOARD
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 07, 2024
5:30 PM
COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM**

Public Input: *Citizens may address the committee regarding any item of business that is not on the agenda. The duration for an individual speaking under Public Input is limited to three minutes. While all comments are welcome, the committee will not take action on any item not on the agenda.*

Meeting called to order at 5:31 by Chairman Irv Wilke with Richard Klose, Paul Kober, Tom Canape, Evan Bruce and Jon Rutt in attendance.

No Public Input

General Items

1. LPB minutes October 3, 2024: Richard Klose made a motion to approve the minutes from October 3, Tom Canape seconded and motion passed.

New Business

2. White Buffalo Foundation Playground – Nothing
3. Matt Wheeler email regarding gazebo in the park by the chamber, splash park and sprinkler systems, volunteer Riverside Park. - Jonathan Gotschall and Bridger Fournier from the Laurel Volunteer Fire Department presented information on the proposed Gazebo under construction in Fireman’s Park. It will be octagonal, and the Gazebo was purchased at Costco with no city funds. This is being funded by the Firemen. The purpose is to provide cover during Santa’s Workshop. Discussion followed about the project not being brought to the Park Board or City Council until now, that maybe it may not be insurable by the city and designed for public purposes. Tom Canape made a motion to approve the project as long as it will be accepted by the insurance company meet all building codes. Richard Klose seconded the motion, and it was approved. The City Council will be informed of the project as soon as possible. The LVFD has a Fire Danger Today sign they would like to install in Fireman’s Park. Jon Rutt made a motion to allow the placement of this sign as long as the MTDOT was okay with placement. Evan Bruce seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Old Business

4. Other parks in Laurel - None
5. American Legion Building at Riverside Park – No changes, Veteran’s Day will be honored with a 5 PM social at the building on Monday November 11.
6. Riverside Park - Lead cleanup – Riverstone Health will conduct soil samples to compile a report for future use of the area.
7. Riverside Hall - Lions Club – New windows are going to be replaced in the spring, new front door was donated by the Laurel Shooting Sports group, and the facility is being rented more now. Paul Kober asked about calculating the capacity of the hall and Kurt Markegard will work with Jason from the building department to get numbers for Riverside Hall and the American Legion Building.

Other Items

The Skate Park Group is contemplating dissolving and the funds raised will need to be returned or applied to a similar project.

Announcements

8. LPB next meeting is December 5, 2024 at 5:30 pm.

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Meeting was adjourned at 6:30

Submitted by Jon Rutt