

**ISLAND GROVE REGIONAL PARK ADVISORY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES – December 1, 2022**

**1. ROLL CALL**

The Island Grove Advisory Board met on Thursday, December 1, at 4:04 p.m. at the Buckle Club facility at Island Grove Regional Park and via Zoom. Board members present, Tim Magnuson, Perry Buck, James Herman, Bill Hall, Justin Watada, and Tommy Butler. Ad Hoc member present was Heather Anderson- Visit Greeley/Chamber of Commerce. Board members absent: Dennie Kutcher. Staff present, Thomas Welch - Island Grove Facility Manager, Debra Warner - Facility Service Supervisor and John Dargle - CPRD Director. Public present: None

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Tim Magnuson made a motion to approve the previous minutes and Perry Buck seconded. All in Favor. Minutes from the previous meeting in October were approved as presented.

**3. PUBLIC INPUT**

None

**4. AD HOC REPORTS**

**Greeley Kennel Club-** Absent

**Greeley Stampede-** Mr. Watada reported their office facilities at Island Grove Regional Park have been demolished and construction has begun. Mr. Watada reminded board members of their temporary office location located upstairs in the 4H Building. He expressed his appreciation for the hospitality to the City of Greeley and Weld County.

**Weld County Extension-** Absent

**The Colorado Farm Show-** Mr. Magnuson noted that vendor registration was going well and they have the Event Center filled with vendors as of current. Mr. Magnuson questioned if the fencing for construction from the Stampede Office construction would be an issue. Mr. Welch expressed we will make it work when their event gets closer.

**Greeley Chamber-** Ms. Anderson announced that Visit Greeley was chosen to be a part of the Reimagine Destination Program and they have put together a core team. Ms. Anderson mentioned there will be a Tourism Workshop coming up on December 13<sup>th</sup> – 9 am- 2 pm at the Greeley Chamber of Commerce.

**5. STAFF REPORTS**

**Tom Welch-** Mr. Welch announced Island Grove is in the process of upgrading 130 of their electrical RV pedestals on the north side of the Livestock Barn. All RV pedestals will be able to host 20, 30, and 50 amps after completed by February. Mr. Welch updated board members on current events happening at Island Grove Regional Park over the next few months.

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

**Island Grove Assessment Update** – Mr. Welch indicated that the assessment reviewing operations, procedures, and usage at Island Grove Regional Park had been completed and was in review with the City of Greeley Finance department. Mr. Welch added a few insights that came from the assessment such as a need for potential new facilities for needed demands in the area, Mr. Welch pointed out the assessment noted that they didn't believe an Indoor

Arena would be profitable due to close indoor arenas in the area. Mr. Welch also mentioned that Weld County groups including 4H groups and the City of Greeley meetings take up a majority of event bookings annually. Mr. Welch stated there will be a full presentation of the assessment in the future.

## 7. NEW BUSINESS

**Introduction to new Board and Staff** - New board member, Justin Watada introduced himself and John Dargle introduce himself to the present board members.

**Booking Cancellation Policy** – Mr. Welch explained to board members of Island Grove's current booking policy for cancellations. Mr. Welch noted that Island Grove would like to update the policy and he handed out a new policy that staff had put together for the board's approval. Mr. Welch will obtain approval and suggestions at the next scheduled board meeting in February.

**Catering & Concessionaire at Island Grove** - Mr. Welch informed board members of the current process for becoming a caterer at Island Grove. Mr. Welch added that Island Grove would like to raise the fee for being a preferred caterer and asked the board for any suggestions. Board agreed upon this decision. Mr. Welch announced that Kenny's Concessionaire is looking into pulling out of the Alcohol Contract with Island Grove in 2023 and Island Grove will need to obtain a new alcohol concessionaire at the beginning of the new year.

**Weld County/ Stampede Pavilion needs** – Mr. Watada mentioned he was communicating with Weld County Extension staff regarding the need for a new outdoor pavilion in the grass area between the Buckle Club in the 4H Building. Mr. Watada stated they would like the pavilion to be 60 feet x 140 feet in size. Final specs are not completed entirely and Mr. Watada will share them with the board once he is able.

**New Stampede Owned Ticket Offices** – Mr. Watada emailed board members specs and locations for two new permanent ticket offices the Greeley Stampede would like to fund and build in the park. The facilities would be only for Greeley Stampede usage but they would be willing to lend them to the City of Greeley if needed. Mr. Watada asked the board for approval of placement and to move forward with this project. Tim Magnuson made a motion to approve the current plan, Perry Buck seconded the motion- all in favor.

## 8. UPCOMING AGENDAS –

Catering & Concessionaire at Island Grove update  
Cancellation Policy approval  
Board Elections/Introductions

## 9. NEXT MEETING – Scheduled for Thursday, February 2, 4 p.m.- Island Grove Regional Park- Conference Room A(Event Center).

## 10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

  
James Herman - Chair

  
Tom Welch - Island Grove Manager