

ISLAND GROVE REGIONAL PARK ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES – April 6, 2023

1. ROLL CALL

The Island Grove Advisory Board met on Thursday, April 6, at 4:03 p.m. in Conference Room A at Island Grove Regional Park. Board members present, Tim Magnuson, Lori Saine, James Herman, Tommy Butler, and Justin Watada. Board members absent: Bill Hall. Ad Hoc member present was Hannah Swanbom - Extension Director, Heather Anderson- Visit Greeley/ Chamber of Commerce and Judy Rayburn- Greeley Kennel Club. Staff present, Thomas Welch - Island Grove Facility Manager, Debra Warner - Facility Service Supervisor, JD Pickett- Facility Service Supervisor, Noah Small – Crew Leader, Gilbert Sifuentes- Crew Leader, John Karner – Finance and John Dargle - CPRD Director. Public present: None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Tim Magnuson made a motion to approve the previous minutes and Justin Watada seconded. All in Favor. Minutes from the previous meeting in February were approved as presented.

3. PUBLIC INPUT

None

4. AD HOC REPORTS

Greeley Kennel Club- Mrs. Rayburn mentioned the Greeley Kennel Club is getting prepared for its annual event in August. Mrs. Rayburn added the show premium deadline is at the end of March.

The Colorado Farm Show- Mr. Magnuson announced applications for the 2024 show will be going out in July.

Greeley Stampede- Mr. Watada announced there were 77 days left until the Greeley Stampede. Mr. Watada stated that their new office would not be ready for their event. Mr. Watada announced there would be new stage lighting being installed by the third week of May. Mr. Watada mentioned the new ticket offices were put on hold due to some potential floodplain issues.

Visit Greeley- Ms. Anderson began by telling board members that the 2-year Visit Greeley Guide will be ready towards the end of July.

Weld County Extension- Ms. Swanbom reported that the extension's office was getting ready for the Weld County Fair and announced that they had lost their fair coordinator but are planning a different route moving forward with how the event is run.

5. STAFF REPORTS

Tom Welch- Mr. Welch explained that Weld County had a bid opening for a conceptual design for a proposed new 130,000-square-foot building in Island Grove. The proposed facility would replace three existing County Buildings in Island Grove.

Mr. Welch mentioned that the City of Greeley was working with Musco Inc. They will be installing the lighting and sound system in the arena.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Island Grove Assessment read out – John Karner from the City of Greeley Finance Department made a small presentation discussing the findings of the Island Grove Assessment. A short discussion followed the presentation.

7. NEW BUSINESS

Joint Appointee Board Interview - Richard “Dick” Quaco introduced himself to the board members and let them know why he was interested in being a part of the Island Grove Advisory Board. Board member Tommy Butler made a motion to approve Dick Quaco as our Weld County and the City of Greeley joint appointee, James Herman seconded the motion. The motion passed all in favor. Dick Quaco has been appointed to join Island Grove Advisory Board.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding survey- Board members were encouraged to fill out a survey and/ or come up with any ideas on how we can improve Island Grove Regional Park with this funding.

Arch Design project- Mr. Welch told board members this winter that a City of Greeley snowplow loading truck had run into one of Island Grove Regional Parks Archway signs. The sign was damaged beyond repair and will need to go out to bid. They are hoping the sign will be completed by September.

**8. UPCOMING AGENDAS –
ARPA Survey suggestions**

9. NEXT MEETING – Scheduled for Thursday, June 1, 4 p.m.- Conference Room A.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Tom Welch - Island Grove Manager