

Meeting Minutes

CHRISTMAS VALLEY PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT

Christmas Valley Park and Recreation District

Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

Christmas Valley Park and Recreation Office

Opening Meeting:

Meeting called to order

at 9:04 a.m. By:

Board Member, Glenna Wade

Also present were:

Board Member, Barbara Ferrando

Frank Crocker

Board Member, Shara Shumway

Carl Shumway

Board Member, David Uran

Barbara Johnson

Patty Effingham

Jon Trebor

and Office Manager Lisa Cooper

Katrina Trebor

Alan Parks

Minutes:

Minutes from the October 8, 2019 regular meeting were read.

A motion was made

by: Barbara Ferrando: to accept the minutes as read,

It was seconded by: Shara Shumway

All ayes – motion passed unanimously.

Financials:

Patty: We still have the bill from Santa's for No Smoking Signs.

Glenna: I talked to Santa's and told them we are not paying for the signs that Ron Johnson is not an authorized signer.

A motion was made : by Barbara Ferrando: to accept the Financials and pay all the bills including Donovan for tree trimming, one bill for \$209.00 for racking, time clock, and misc. items Shara Shumway turned in.

It was seconded by: Shara Shumway

All ayes – motion passed unanimously.

Letters : We Can Foundation regarding the Rodeo Grounds (Attached) Also See Rodeo Grounds

Glenna: First off I would like to say that the Desert Whispers is in no way shape or form to be perceived as supporting Park and Rec. either financially, that's the whole point of contention is any way supporting Park and Rec. I just want to verify that. The no Smoking signs rather it be \$14.00 or \$400.00 you just don't sign on an account that is not yours. I'm sure that you would not like someone signing on your private account. The failure is on Santa's they allowed someone to sign on the account.

Frank Crocker regarding open seat on board

(Approved as long as he is in approved District area, will be sworn in by Lisa)

A motion was made : Barbara Ferrando to have Frank Crocker as a new Board Member

It was seconded by: Shara Shumway

All ayes – motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment:

Community Hall: Wall Board Barbara Ferrando has someone to do it. Also going to pick up light repairing items

Rodeo Grounds: Barbara Ferrando I think they (We Can Foundation) should be allowed to do the Rodeo grounds and everyone contact them instead of everyone fighting. They need to be in charge of it meaning we let them be in charge of it.

Glenna: Actually we approved them working over there, and that's great and I don't know where Managing came into it or Controlling it. We, Park and Recreation are the managers.

Barbara Ferrando: But they are willing to go in there clean it up, write the grants and do it the way its supposed to be done since its been abused for so many years. Let others contact them so there is no friction. But they have to come to us every month and tell us what they are doing how long its going to take.

Glenna: Yes I agree to that some sort. But, well there's the grant and we are doing this is and doing that, well maybe that's not everybodys vision, we have horse stalls there horse stalls. It needs to be a conversation. They (Rodeo Grounds) serve an entire Community and we represent that community.

Frank: So they should be turning in a recommendation rather than that's what we are doing.

Barbara Johnson: Well when we first presented the overall plan equine event, that Rodeo Grounds will never be a money maker strictly from this county, we have to get people in from out of county and the only way to do that is improve the grounds and turn it into a multi use event center. One of the first rules for insurance with any equine event is you want spectators and contestant never they meet big fat broad lines. If you have stalls where the spectators are that will spike your insurance if you keep them separate turn the stalls into something different, and a back up septic and a septic tank for all the RV spaces we want to put in then it make sense to to make them restrooms and septic behind the barn and keep the contestants over here, Except if you have a farmers markets and they have live stock keep them in the end stalls because that's what they are for and that's a special set up .

Shara: I guess maybe what we need to do is have a work day and sit down and make sure we all know what they other one is wanting, needing or proposing.

Glenna: Our insurance is not going to change

Shara: And if we was to do some kind of agreement formally, because they (We Can Foundation) want it in writing. Then it will have to be ran through Special Districts.

Barbara Ferrando: I think others should contact Barbara Johnson if anyone wants to do any work over there. Because you having people going over there not knowing anything about what others are doing there is just a bunch of confusion.

Glenna: I haven't heard of any issue with anyone wanting to do something, other then wanting to use the arena and it has always been open to use and now its not. It says right here in the letter if they want to use it they have to communicate with other people. It says if your riding in the Arena and somebody else shows up you have to have communications with them. Its trying to justify letting a horse loose when someone else was riding.

Barbara Johnson: Okay Stop! I have ridden in too many arenas across the United States and if I'm in a arena and someone wants to turn their horse loose I have no problem with it, and I have allowed people to do that. And if I am on a green horse I'm trying to do something specific I will ask them to stop. Its called equine courtesy

Glenna : I think the opposite; I'm riding and you show up, I'm sitting in the bathroom you show up. You don't just walk in and hope I say hey stop I'm in the bathroom. It's the same thing for the arena. I'm in the Arena and someone comes and says hey, is it okay if I let my horse loose? Not hey please don't let your horse loose. Its kinda of a reverse scenario to me, seems like the other side should be having this conversation.

Barbara Johnson: Every time Terry did something I had that conversation with him. And a lot of that was a downfall between him and Becky Womack that started the 4th of July, and had nothing to do

with the community. And you sit there talking about Park and Recreation managing the Rodeo Grounds your idea of management was turning it into a Dump site.

Glenna: And that is just a farse, I mean really, we needed a ton of dirt in there we were told it was clean dirt, were we mistaken yes, and to say we used it as a dump is a little bit assish. We also paid a bunch of money to have that fixed. (Summer of 2018)

Barbara Johnson: Yeah , how many years ago was that? We have hauled out 50 hours of gravel out of the arena and it's still not good. All I'm saying is we just want to put the Rodeo Grounds back into a profitable piece of property

Shara: Lisa was here when the arena was cleaned.

Glenna: What in like the last year and a half? You state a lack of trust! This is not the first time we have had this conversation with people. Its not a matter of trust.

Barbara Johnson: And every entity that has been over has been a rodeo club. We are not a club, we are a community.

Glenna: There have been plenty of aspects not just cattle, there have been horse events as well.

Jon Trebor: I think its kinda where contention comes. Its not functional you can either fix it or till it under. Just take a dozer in there your not losing anything at this point. It's dirt that's it. We can either make it functional or you need to abandon the project and turn to something else that will benefit this community, because with these people fighting with these people cause they want control of this and they want to start this and that. All we want to do it clean it up and make it functional. You can't do this if you have outside sources hindering what you do.

Glenna: Hindering? How so?

Jon Trebor: Its a community facility, lets just call it that for what it is. Your free to go ride the arena you go in there you have people in this town and I am not naming names that will come in and say no I want to ride my horse in there. Because they feel entitled to do so. If we are in there working or working using power tools to fix the stalls or whatever we are told we have to stop because we are scaring their horse. There is people that will push that button that say no you have to stop working

Glenna: That is a lack of communication, can't you post your work days? There is always going to be those people.

Shara: You can post on the gate your work days

David: You can just post it today is a work day on the post.

Jon Trebor: Well we never know when we are going to have that time. Like me I was injured in that car wreck and have free time now. Its not we are giving a ultimatum We are trying to get control of the flow, not us control but not just a willy nilly.

Glenna: Well just communication of hey this is what we are doing and when or closed this day. You say no ultimatum but the last part of this letter is a ultimatum .

There are thousands of hours that go into a grant, thousand of hours that go into planning, working , why put all that work in and have someone else come in and say yeah we like that plan we're going to go ahead and do that. In other words we don't want to do all the work and get nothing out of it. See my point? There has to be some kind of insurance the man hours we put into it are going to count for something. Not well we will get it all laid out for you and here you can just pull it out into the driveway. You see my point?

Glenna: What I learned a very long time ago about volunteering is if your looking for a kudos for the end product its never going to happen for one thing, and for the other your doing it for all the wrong reasons. I understand and I'm not saying your doing it.

Jon Trebor: Its a old story like Thorn Park. Everyone got involved , everyone fought and there it sits. I'm using it as an example. One person says the back stop has to be there and another says no it don't and they throw a fit and that's where it sits.

Glenna: That's not why it fell apart. It fell apart because no one would support it in the community after somebody had put in all the effort into going in and putting it there.

Jon Trebor: Yeah well that's what I'm saying we need to have coordination in this town. We don't need to be fighting with each other

Shara: So can you come up with some main things that you would like in some kind of agreement.

Things that are deal breakers. We need something drawn up. Things that we are going to want too.

David: Guildlines

Barbara Johnson: So your wanting an Operating plan?

Shara: Something like that. Just so we are not going to cross each other.

Glenna: This would be a better thing for a work session.

Jon Trebor: When we do the grants there are going to be times when that Rodeo Grounds is not going to be available.

Barbara Ferrando: You can put a notice in the Desert Whispers for big construction projects.

Jon Trebor: I mean if we have open trenches you could really get sued if someone got hurt.

Glenna: Well I would hope there wouldn't be open trenches, Kids run around there all the time.

Jon Trebor; This is RV spots we are talking about, your not going to get all that line laid in one day

Glenna: You do know we have RV spots other there all ready?

Jon Trebor: Well I'm just using that as an example, its something Barb had brought up they wanted to redo the RV spots with 50 amp service. Your not going to lay in 10 or 15 or whatever spots plus all the

controls, your not going to have that done in a day. Your going to have trenches over there and if you close everything off and they jump over the fence its on them not the Grounds.

David: And we would have to ribbon it off. There will be times you have to stop.

Glenna: Their liability wont make me feel any better about about a kid dying in a trench. I think the 2 words we need to get rid of are Control and Manage. I think we can all work together no one has to have control or micro manage it.

Katrina Trebor: I think where that was coming from was we wanted somebody

Glenna: I know what your saying

Katrina Trebor: No you don't because I haven't gotten it out yet. You have to schedule times for riders or work.

Glenna: Well we do have an office person and that is part of her job to schedule things. And if you let her know hey we want to work that day she can put it down so if someone wants to ride that day she can say no something is already going on.

Jon Trebor: At times there are things that pop up like okay we can deliver your gravel now or you have to wait 3 weeks.

Katrina Trebor: There are some people that would say well this is my time slot and I don't care. My friend over here said I could do this.

Shara: I'm sure that there could be some issues with people that have been here for years and have always just shown up to ride or what ever.

Glenna: We could put up a sign that says something like Under Construction Check with office First. Gwyn makes all kinds of signs and I'm sure she could do this.

Jon Trebor: That was just our main concern, if we can just sit down with you guys, figure out the plan, get everything laid out and move ahead. If not and somebody else what's to form another club or committee or whatever and take over let them do it. We're just trying.

Katrina Trebor: We just want to see it done, it's historical, its kinda cool that way.

Glenna: The neighbors think its extinct

Shara: We need to figure out what we need and let people use it. Do you guys work on weekends or just when ever. Then we can set up a meeting.

Barbara Johnson: When we are getting ready for an event we're over there during the week. And sometimes I will just get a text saying we're over here at the Rodeo Grounds and we all meet up.

Motion made by:

It was seconded by:

All ayes – motion passed unanimously

Airport: Glenna: The FAA meeting that was to take place has already been done by Ron Wilson before we ever knew anything about it. Weekend Crew is going to start the brush hogging. Glenna to touch bases with them to get a start date. Frank is going to go over and walk the Airport and has a copy of the report. Frank will also contact Ron Wilson.

Need to locate the new Cameras for the Airport

Multi Purpose Field: Nothing

Lake: Lake is about a foot low.

Shara: There is a product that is organic that will break down all the poo and keep the algae under control. The cost to treat the lake is about \$6000.00. Harmony Lake has been treated with the same.

Jessie is going to put together a packet and a copy of the report and get it to us.

Alan Parks: There is a product like round up that can be used to take care of the cat tail and is not harmful to the wild life. The best time to do the testing will be in Spring. (will check into testing area and product) Cost will not be a lot and 2.5 gallons goes a long way

Desert Whispers: No Issues

Golf Course:

Carl Shumway: I talked to Helena about the snow mold it's about \$400.00 to do the treatment , to feratilize it's about \$200.00.

Shara: Is that Helena or Wilbur Ellis?

Carl Shumway: Wilbur Ellis. I can pick it up in Madras. Wait till it's going to rain or snow before we put it on so the wind don't blow it away. It's a dry fertilizer, you don't just put it on because it will blow.

Glenna: Do we need to do both?

Carl Shumway: We have never used the snow mold stuff but it has been recommended

Glenna: I think it would benefit us in the long run

Shara: I do too

Carl Shumway: Anything to protect the greens would be beneficial, I would think it would be to do both. I will call Stan then and arrange it.

David: The greens need all the help they can get

Shara: I agree, and it takes to long to get them back.

Carl Shumway: Since the last mowing no one has been out there except the good days but with the better weather we have had golfers out there. However, when the golfers are not there the Geese are causing problems

Glenna: If I would of known the weather was going to be like this we could of gone ahead and put the goose repellent out there.

Carl Shumway: That could still be an option. I think just to leave here today and not have peace with keeping the geese off the greens is a error. Once they get going on the greens they will have holes the size of a teacup. You have holes the size of soup bowls out there and you don't have any body on staff that can fix them. So, I would try to prevent all that that you can. If you have to pay a few dollars to have someone keep the geese off, they are going to be a issue until the lake is frozen solid, and we are in the dead of winter. In the end it will cost you a lot of money and complaints from golfers. Greens 1 is full of goose poop and you can't golf. You can use a snow shovel. You don't need to mow.

Advertising for a greens keeper, you need to get out there quick and figure out a good ad, talk to RV'ers. We have talked about putting in a high pressure pump and I was able to get talk to Phil Eide (Kerns) and Handde Pump to get get quotes on the cost. I think its worth doing, right now you have to have about 29 sprinklers in place or you will build to much pressure with a constant pressure pump system you can have what ever you want and you can water in the day if you are having dry issues. That's a plus for keeping it green. You will have about a 25% savings, these are all pluses and Midstate still has a rebate on this. The end result of cost would be about \$4000.00 after the rebate.

Barbara Ferrando: I would like to say that I think that David Uran should manage oversee the Golf Course because he knows about it. And let David deal with the grounds people. David knows what needs to be done and how. This will take a lot of pressure off of Glenna.

David Uran: I think I have enough time do it.

Motion made by: Shara Shumway to spend up to \$700.00 to buy the Fertilizer and Snow Mold Products.

It was seconded by: Barbara Ferrando

All ayes – motion passed unanimously

Office: Shara: Can we adjust the cameras to show more of the Library? They had someone draw penis's on the windows and we can only kinda see them.

Glenna: Don't they have cameras?

Shara: Nope none outside none inside.

(Locate New Cameras)

Library: Carl Shumway I believe that the Library has in the fund \$26K but they are in debit for \$1.6 Million for the new Library in Lakeview. My point is if the board don't do anything they will be in the building for another 25 years. I have talked to a couple of the Library Board Members about it and I feel that if they don't take a step to show they are going to permanently be here buy purchasing property to have a place to build its showing the Community that they don't really want to get involved. You can't get a new Library off a bake sale. Most of the money is from other sources not bake sales. Someone from this Board needs to attend one of the Library Board Meetings and say hey guys there is a dead line. Let them know you need it as bad as they do. They will sped all the money in Lakeview and you would be lucky to get \$20k out of the \$400k they get up here.

Glenna: We had this conversation with them the last time we renewed the lease. We asked what is your end game. The reply was they still had to buy window coverings for Lakeview. We told them we are going to increase the rent. That building is to small for what they need. They have had what 20 years of bake sales and at what \$28k. I believe we are in agreement with you. There are those of us that was around for the last renewal. Yes we need to look at the lease again. (Lisa)

Closing:

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 AM

Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Cooper

Approved by the CVPRD Board