

Snyderville Basin Special Recreation District **Board Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, November 9, 2023

Board Room - Trailside Park and Virtual Meeting via Zoom Meeting ID: 826 0871 8576 5715 Trailside Drive Park City, Utah

Board Members in Attendance: Nate Brown, Ryan Bruce, Ben Castro, Brandi Connolly, Len McGee, Larry Moffitt, and Carrie Westberg. Board members participated electronically via Zoom or at anchor location.

5 **Absent: None**

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Staff Present: Director Dana Jones, Alex Robles, Ben Liegert, Ben Pearson, Brad Rogers, Brian Kadziel, Justine Kadziel, Matt Wagoner, Sam Schwoebel, and Stacy Wilson. Staff participated electronically via Zoom or at anchor location.

Attending Guests: David Thomas, Summit County Attorney; Jess Kirby, Summit County; Brad Potter and Lindsey Romaniello with SE Group. Guests participated electronically via Zoom or at anchor location.

CALL TO ORDER AND PUBLIC INPUT

The meeting of November 9, 2023, was called to order by Chair Connolly at 6:00pm.

No public input. Chair Connolly closed public input at 6:01pm.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 9/26/23 and 10/5/23

Board members received draft minutes from 9/26/2023 and 10/5/23 Board meetings in their 21 Board packet prior to the meeting. The Board approved the minutes. 22

MOTION: To approve minutes from September 26, 2023, and October 5, 2023 [Castro/Westberg] All in favor: Brown, Bruce, Castro, Chair Connolly, Westberg. None Opposed. Abstain: Moffit, McGee. Absent: None. Motion carries.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF PRIOR MONTH'S EXPENDITURES

29 Board members received Prior Month's Expenditures in the Board packet prior to the meeting.

30 There were no questions about the Prior Month Expenditures.

- 32 **MOTION:** To approve of Prior Month's Expenditures [Bruce/ Moffitt] All in favor: Brown,
- 33 Bruce, Castro, Chair Connolly, McGee, Moffitt, Westberg. None Opposed. Abstain: None.
- 34 Absent: None. Motion carries.

- STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN UPDATE FROM SE GROUP
- 37 Lindsay from SE Group started off by reviewing the changes in the 10-year plan. She advised
- 38 that there were changes in chapter 2, 3 and 6. They added some financial conditions and financial
- 39 considerations, incorporated the work that Darren has been doing and added analysis that SE
- 40 Group is calling recreation development which covers the development of recreation assets.
- 41 Lindsay asked the Board to review.

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- Brad Potter spoke about the 5-year Trails and Open Space plan. He added more graphics and
- removed the charting of the excel spreadsheets layout. He added a study from Jefferson County
- 45 parks and Boulder Colorado. The Board would like to see a paragraph in the next version of a
- 46 conclusion on why these properties are chosen, and what we can gain by review of these
- 47 locations.

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- Ryan Bruce advised that there were missing pages in the version he received. He also brought up
- that the ranger program was not mentioned in the plan. He would like this included in the next
- 51 version.

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- Chair Connolly asked the board members to have individual feedback on the Strategic Plan
- documents by November 16, 2023. Connolly will go through it and get it back to SE Group by
 - November 20th so that the board can review at the next board meeting in December.

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- DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL FOR CAPITAL REPLACEMENT
- 58 PURCHASE OF A 2023 FORD TRANSIT PASSENGER WAGON
 - Board members received a Staff Report for the Capital Replacement Purchase of a 2023 Ford
- Transit Passenger Van in the Board packet prior to the meeting.

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- The District would like to replace the 2012 Ford E-350 15 passenger van with a new 2023 Ford
- 63 Transit Passenger Wagon. The Recreation Department relies heavily on these transit vans during
- 64 the summer months to support camp programs. The 15 Passenger Transit Wagon can be
- 65 purchased through a State of Utah cooperative purchasing contract. The District worked from the
- state procurement list and received one bid for the vehicle with the necessary specifications.

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- 68 **MOTION:** To approve of the purchase of a 2023 Ford Transit Passenger Wagon from Young
- Automotive Group for \$56,466.00 and the Surplus of the 2012 Ford E-350 [Brown/ Bruce] All in
- 70 favor: Brown, Bruce, Castro, Chair Connolly, McGee, Moffitt, Westberg. None Opposed.
- 71 Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carries.

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- DISCUSSION CONCERNING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH SUMMIT
- 75 COUNTY FOR 910 RANCH RANGER MONITORING SERVICES
- 76 Board members received a Draft Interlocal Agreement with Summit County for 910 Ranch
- 77 Ranger Monitoring Services in the Board packet prior to the meeting.

The Summit County Attorney's Office created the draft agreement. The District believes that in the future, we are bound to play some role in the property as it is in the taxing district, and is bound to have some recreational uses. The District is excited to be part of the future benefits to the public for this property. In regards to this draft agreement, the District would like to have better guidelines for what the Rangers will be doing and what is expected of them on this

83 property.

Len McGee stated his concern that in this agreement there wasn't any kind of funding available for the Rangers. Monitoring property of this scale will be expensive and as it is County property, the County should be paying for the services. We would like to have some kind of outline of the District's responsibilities and how we could be compensated. Chair Connolly brought up that right now Basin Recreation is paying the county for Legal services and HR services.

Dave Thomas advised that the intent for this initial agreement was to start a discussion and address short-term plans for this property. He believes there will be compensation attached to any long-term agreement. He wants to focus on the short term and during the period when the County has 3 years to close on the property. The County has made commitments with the landowner to help with poachers and trespassers as the area is prone to poaching with the large elk population on the property. There's an ambassador program in place that uses volunteers to make observations and report to the Summit County Sheriff's Office if needed. Summit County Sheriff's Deputies are patrolling the roads. He said in the future once the management plan is implemented it is anticipated that Basin will have a more defined role. Summit County staff Jess Kirby was present to comment on the loosely defined terms of the agreement and expressed a desire to work with Basin Recreation to address any concerns.

It was discussed how the Rangers are in a unique position to educate and inform the public about this and other open space and recreational opportunities within the District and that the District is happy to provide that service.

Chair Connolly asked Summit County to have some kind of FAQ document that the Rangers can use to communicate accurate information with the public when asked questions.

REVIEW OF 3rd QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT

Board members received the review of the 3rd Quarter Financial Report in the Board packet prior to the meeting.

113 Overview:

- Department expenditure rates (% of funds spent per department compared to overall expenses) for all departments are close to the previous year.
- All Department are les then 71% expensed.
- Tax distributions from Summit County are on schedule compared to the previous year.
- Impact fee revenue increased from Q2 but is still well below the budgeted amount
- Interest revenue is significantly exceeding budget projects for all funds. Interest rates have increased significantly from 2022.
- Personnel costs increased for all departments from 2022.

- 124 Brandi wanted to thank The District for making the financial report so thorough and taking the
- 125 time to incorporate the extra details that the Board asked for.

- **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE TENTATIVE 2024 BUDGETS**
- 128 FOR RECOMMENDATION TO COUNTY COUNCIL
- 129 Board members received a Tentative 2024 Budget for Recommendation to County Council on
- 130 November 13, 2023 in the Board packet prior to the meeting.

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132 The Proposed Budget for 2024 includes:

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- 134 General Fund
- 135 Property tax revenue is projected to increase 4%. Interest income is projected to increase 207%.
- 136 Charges for services revenue are projected to increase 13% from the 2023 adopted budget. The
- 137 expenses are projected to increase by 5%. There is an increase of two full-time employees, a
- 138 District Mechanic, and a Ranger Supervisor. The full-time salaries have been budgeted to
- increase by 4% COLA on January 1st and 3 % merit on the employee's anniversary date. 139
- 140 The Department Contingency Funds have been increased to a percentage of expenses (minus
- 141 staff costs) reflecting the change notes below in the Capital Fund budget.

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- 143 Capital Fund
- 144 The 2024 Capital Budget reflects the District continuing to spend down the bond and impact
- 145 funds with potential trail development projects, the completion of existing project and the
- 146 addition of a Bobcat skid steer and Groomer attachment to better provide winter services.

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- 148 For the 2024 Capital Replacement budget highlights critical equipment replacement and the
- 149 Fieldhouse Front Desk renovation project. It also includes the Pickleball shade project that is
- 150 being pushed from 2023 due to the contractor, weather, and permitting issues. Most of these
- 151 infrastructure costs have been moved into the operations budgets on the advice of our auditor and
- 152 controller.

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- 154 Impact Fee Fund
- 155 The 2024 budget anticipates an 8% decrease in revenue from the 2023 adopted budget based on
- 156 2023 anticipated revenues and 80% of average of the last 5 years. Expenses reflect the transfer to
- 157 the capital fund for capital project.

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- 159 Debt Service Fund
- The 2024 budget reflects enough property tax revenue to pay for the District's six outstanding 160
- 161 general obligation bonds.

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163 Ben Castro asked the District if there were any changes to the packets after they got sent out to 164 the Board and if so to please highlight those changes going forward.

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- 166 Director Dana Jones wanted to let the board know that they are working on redoing the Basin
- 167 Recreation website. Community Outreach is working on organizing and establishing a volunteer
- 168 program.

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- 170 **MOTION:** To approve the 2024 Budgets for Recommendation to County Council.
- 171 [Castro/McGee] All in favor: Brown, Bruce, Castro, Chair Connolly, McGee, Moffitt, Westberg.
- None Opposed. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carries.

- ESTABLISH NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR 2024 BOARD OFFICERS
- 175 Committee to consist of Len McGee, Larry Moffitt, Carrie Westburg. They will be reviewing the nominations for approval at the next board meeting.

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178 DISCUSSION OF THE 2024 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

- Board members received the 2024 Board Meeting Schedule in the Board packet prior to the
- meeting. Board reviewed the calendar and asked for the calendar to be put on the agenda for the
- next board in December for approval.

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DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

- Board members received the Monthly Update from Director Jones in the Board packet prior to
- the meeting.

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- 187 Director Jones reviewed the Junior Rangers Program and the board received samples of the
- Junior Rangers handbooks that the kids will receive. Some of the boards member thought it
- would be a great thing to bring to the local school districts in the area. It was also requested that
- the Rangers to bring it to County Council in the next few months.

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- 192 Chair Connolly wanted to thank the Basin Staff for such a great turn out to the grand opening of
- 193 Willow Creek Park Playground. It was a huge success because of the Staff. The board was
- informed that the shade cover for the park will be installed in the spring of next year.

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DISTRICT COMMITTEE UPDATES

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Parks and Facilities: Report from Nate Brown – They took a tour through Willow Creek Park.

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Trails and Open Space: Report from Ben Castro – did not meet.

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Recreation: Report from Larry Moffit –The recreation team replaced all the light bulbs in the fieldhouse. They discussed Basin's policy and procedures updates, part time salaries, and rates for the out of district and putting that in the new policy manuals.

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Director Liaison: Report from Len McGee—They talk about the interlocal agreement and outreach to the neighbors at Willow Creek. He's going to get the information to the board in the next few days about Director Jones' review coming up next month.

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210 **Personnel:** Report from Ryan Bruce- did not meet.

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Strategic Planning: Report from Ben Castro- They reviewed the Strategic plan.

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BOSAC Committee: Report from Moffitt: did not meet.

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- 216 Audit Committee: Report from Nate Brown: They reviewed the policy and procedures. They spoke about getting a new Auditor for the District. 217 218
- 219 Interlocal Agreement Committee: Report from Len McGee- They met to discuss the Interlocal 220 Agreement.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

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There was a concerned citizen in the Willow Creek area near the playground. She was worried about the line of site of the playground and how tall it was, and the noise. Director Jones met with her and listened to her concerns.

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228 Chair Connolly asked to get a written description of the Basin Ranger's responsibilities.

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ADJOURN

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232 At 8:37pm, Chair Connolly called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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- 234 **MOTION:** To adjourn the meeting of November 9, 2023. [Westberg/Brown] All in favor:
- 235 Brown, Bruce, Castro, Chair Connolly, McGee, Moffitt, Westberg. None Opposed. Abstain:
- 236 None. Absent: None. Motion carries.

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238 **MOTIONS:**

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- Brown, Bruce, Castro, Chair Connolly, McGee, Moffitt, Westberg. None Opposed. Abstain: 258
- 259 None. Absent: None. Motion carries.

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261 Minutes prepared by Stacy Wilson

Clerk/Board Member Approval:

