## Canon City Area Metropolitan Recreation and Park District 575 Ash Street Canon City, CO 81212 (719) 275-1578

## SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES February 25, 2021

**CALL TO ORDER** The Canon City Area Metropolitan Recreation and Park District Board meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Board Vice-President, Mike Sallie, in a Zoom meeting held online.

## **ROLL CALL**

| Board Members: |                |                    |
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| Present:       | Mike Sallie    |                    |
|                | Nick Sartori   |                    |
|                | Brett James    |                    |
|                | Greg DiRito    |                    |
| Staff:         | Kyle Horne     | Executive Director |
|                | Dawn Green     | Finance Director   |
|                | Devin Everhart | Parks Supervisor   |
| Attorney:      | Dan Slater     |                    |

• Recreation District staff have been looking for a backhoe for over a year. Through searching online, Parks Staff members Devin Everhart and Matt Parker found a 2014 Case backhoe through Craig's List. Kyle showed the board photos and stated that although it does not have a covered cab, it only has 1,400 plus hours on it. Devin went to inspect it and he stated it is like brand new. He test drove it and used the bucket, wiring harness and backhoe while doing so. While there, Devin consulted with Board member Brett James as he has heavy machinery experience. Brett stated that this backhoe is like one he uses at work which has more hours. He believed that the purchase price for that one was between \$47,00-\$48,000.

Kyle recommends the District purchase the Case backhoe. The price is \$32,000 and the District budgeted \$30,000 for equipment this year. In comparison, the price for a new mini excavator is \$58,000.

A short discussion on getting the equipment from Colorado Springs to Canon City followed. Board member Brett James offered to haul it at no cost.

Board member Brett James made a motion, seconded by board member Greg DiRito to purchase the backhoe for \$32,000. The motion passed with all members voting aye.

Kyle proposed that the board look at holding special meetings centered on the recreation center with the amount of work that will need to be done regarding a tax question. This could then shorten the time required at the regular monthly board meetings. Attorney Dan Slater stated that a previous board did something similar as Pathfinder Regional Park was being developed.
A short discussion followed. Board member Nick Sartori believes it is a good idea as a focused meeting might draw people with interest in the project.

After reviewing availability, the board decided to hold these special meetings on the fourth Tuesday of the month starting at 7:00 p.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to conduct, Vice-President Mike Sallie adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved as written or amended:

/s/ Dawn Green Dawn Green, Finance Director /s/ J. Johnson Jim Johnson, Meeting Chair