



Agenda Colorado State Parks Board

October 7 – 8, 2004

THURSDAY Board Work Session 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Sheraton Steamboat Resort

2200 Village Inn Court

Steamboat Springs, CO

FRIDAY Board Meeting: 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Steamboat Lake State Park

Clark, CO

(970) 879-3922

THURSDAY, October 7th

2:00 – 5:00 PM

BOARD WORK SESSION

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colorado State Parks Leadership Team Update • Enterprise Analysis Project • Colorado State Parks Budget • Strategic Plan Update • Front Range Trail • Shooting Range • Pueblo Lake State Park pipeline to Colorado Springs | <p>Lyle Laverty
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Gary Thorson
Larry Kramer
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FRIDAY, October 8th

9:00 – 11:30 AM

PARKS BOARD MEETING

9:00 – 9:15 AM

- (A) – Agenda Amendments, if necessary
- (A) – Approval of July, 2004 Parks Board Meeting Minutes
- Board Reports
- Upcoming Board Events

9:15 – 9:30 AM

PUBLIC COMMENTS

9:30 – 11:30 AM

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) – Steamboat Waterline Easement (A) – Natural Areas Designation – Geneva Basin Iron Fens (A) – Colorado River State Park Acquisition (A) – Elkhead Reservoir Lease (A) – Cherry Creek State Park Food Concession | <p>Dave Giger
Larry Kramer
Kurt Mill
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11:30 AM

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(A) = Action Items (I) = Information Items

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Friday, October 8, 2004

ATTENDANCE

Parks Board Members: Dr. Tom Ready, Chair
Doug Cole, Secretary
Tom Glass

Division Staff: Lyle Laverty, Director
Larry Kramer, Assistant Director
Gary Thorson, Director of Marketing & Public Relations
Kurt Mill, Rocky Mountain Region Manager
Bob Wiig, Assistant Rocky Mountain Region Manager
Dave Giger, High Plains Region Manager
Kristi Quintana, High Plains Region Assistant Manager
Rob Billerbeck, Natural Areas Program Manager
Karin Freeman, Natural Areas Program
Jeff Thompson, Natural Areas Program
Ken Brink, Steamboat Lake State Park Manager
Ron Dellacroce, Yampa State Park Manager
Linda Foster, Assistant to the Director's Office

Guest Speakers: Wayne Adamo – Hahn's Peak Water Coalition
Karl Bunker – Steamboat Lake Marina
Terry J. Nelson – Steamboat Lake Outfitters

MEETING MINUTES

AGENDA AMENDMENTS - None

ADOPTION OF BOARD MINUTES

Adoption of July, 2004 Parks Board Meeting Minutes.

Moved: Tom Glass
Seconded: Doug Cole
Vote: Unanimous

BOARD REPORTS

- Tom Glass recommends author John Sherman's books on bouldering and noted there are several excellent climbing resources in our State Parks in Colorado; Eldorado State Park being a great example of a climbing park. There are also a number of famous climbs located in the Pueblo area that Colorado State Parks should take a look at.
- Dr. Ready toured Colorado Springs Utilities water facilities so the Board can be more informed on the water line that the City of Colorado Springs wants to install from Lake Pueblo to Colorado Springs.

UPCOMING BOARD EVENTS

- Employee Development Seminar is taking place in Denver November 3-4.

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

- Wayne Adamo, resident of Hahn's Peak Village, representing the Hahn's Peak Water Coalition
 - Hahn's Peak Water Coalition is on the agenda for approval to transport water from the Routt National Forest to homes in the Hahn's Peak Village.
 - Seeking approval for a 30-year easement to install a waterline along a portion of Steamboat Lake State Park's Poverty Bar Trail.
 - A group of residents who live in the back of Hahn's Peak Village decided, for the health and welfare of their families, they need to take steps to obtain good clean water resource.
 - Hahn's Peak Water Coalition have gone through the filing processes and have permission to obtain the right-a-way from the Forest Service, etc. and are now here requesting permission from the Parks Board to use a section of a Steamboat Lake State Park trail to bring the water to the back of the village.
 - Would like the language on the agenda changed from a "30-year easement" to a "renewable 30-year easement" so there is an opportunity for future generations to extend the easement.
 - Mr. Adamo clarified for the Parks Board the fact that Hahn's Peak Water Coalition have obtained permission from the State Water Board to have the water; permission has been granted by the Forest Service to develop the springs on their property and to transport the water through their property; also permission has been received from a land owner that the road goes through above where the trail is and his permission to transport the water.

- Mr. Adamo also indicated they have the permission of the County once they get to the Village to use the road right-a-ways to take the water to their homes.
- Parks Board Chair, Dr. Ready, questioned whether or not the Health Department had provided their approval. Mr. Adamo felt the Health Department was not involved at this time.
- Mr. Adamo indicated that although the project is permitted for up to ten domestic uses, there are only 3 homes in the coalition at this time.
- The Village is currently on a septic sewer system with local wells and although they have attempted to work through the State and the County to get a central sewer system, it doesn't look like they are going to be successful; consequently, they have decided to be proactive to improve the quality of water.
- Dr. Ready indicated that in his discussions with the County Commissioners he was informed that they had not been informed of this proposal.
- Mr. Adamo indicated that they had not talked to the County Commissioners, however, they went to the people who are in control of the roads and they have granted permission to use the right a ways to get the water to their homes. They didn't believe they had to talk to the County Commissioners because the size of the water system and the number of people that are going to use the system is within the State guidelines.
- Dr. Ready indicated water quality could be an issue and the Health Department may be concerned particularly since water is being put into a system that has problems to start with. Consequently, the Parks Board would need additional information before moving forward with approval of the easement.
- With respect to a monetary value on the 30-year lease, Mr. Adamo indicated they gave a monetary value in their original proposal; the Forest Service has a system whereby they provide a lease and are paid a nominal yearly stipend. Hahn's Peak Water Coalition did offer Colorado State Parks a one-time settlement and would be willing to negotiate that further.
- Mr. Adamo indicated that the primary problem with the current system for 2 out of the 3 families is the quantity of water and they worry about the future pollution of the water. That is why they are taking a proactive approach; it has taken them over 2 years to get to this stage.
- Mr. Adamo advised the only other option of getting the water to the Village would be through private property and it was a better option to go through the Park where the land has already been disturbed for the trail.
- The Board asked Mr. Adamo to go to the County and talk to them about what the impacts will be to the area particularly since it could go from three up to ten properties; the Board will wait for the OK from the County and the Health Department before making a decision on the easement request.
- Steamboat Lake State Park Manager, Ken Brink, indicated the trail is a low-use trail but a critical link between the park and the National Forest.
- Tom Glass expressed a concern about the number of days construction would take place on the trail and what the disruption would be to the park and visitors as well as the quality of the restoration. Requests a plan ensuring high quality restoration and minimal impact to the park. Board also needs an understanding of how a future break in the line would be handled.
- Dave Giger, High Plains Region Manager indicated a number of requirements were already met and he would discuss the process further with Mr. Adamo so a full presentation could be made to the Board at a future date.

- Karl Bunker – Steamboat Lake Marina Concessionaire
 - Mr. Bunker expressed his support as a concession operator, community member and trail user for joining the two trail systems at Steamboat Lake State Park and the Routt National Forest for multi-use and multipurpose recreational opportunities.
 - The justice to allow for a strong alliance between state and national lands channels the users of the trail system to state park lands and utilizes the current infrastructure more efficiently.
 - Increased park traffic will allow the concession operation to provide year-round convenience to guests of the park and the recreationalists on the trail system.
 - Mr. Bunker expressed his desire to work with the Parks Board and park management to develop a strong partnership. Those sentiments were reciprocated by the Board.

- Terry Nelson – General Manager, Steamboat Lake Outfitters
 - Mr. Nelson expressed the fact that the private sector couldn't ask for a better friend or opportunity to work with an agency, to not only accomplish what their mission is in the private enterprise sector but also to have the opportunity to send their customers to a facility and an area that people really enjoy.
 - The feedback received from visitors who stay in their cabins or hotel rooms indicate they enjoy the opportunity to spend time at the State Park.
 - Mr. Nelson complimented the park staff, the facilities, the grounds, the marina and its operators; he feels it is an area that is continuing to grow.
 - Mr. Nelson expressed support on behalf of Steamboat Lake Outfitters endorsing the trail that links Steamboat Lake State Park to the National Forest.
 - If ever Steamboat Lake Outfitters can ever be of assistance to State Parks they would be more than happy to lend their services.

ACTION ITEMS

STEAMBOAT WATERLINE EASEMENT

- Dave Giger

PURPOSE: To grant authority to the director to negotiate a waterline easement with the Hahn's Peak Water Coalition in order to transport spring water from the Routt National Forest to homes in the Hahn's Peak Village.

MOTION: Tabled for consideration at a future date.

NATURAL AREA DESIGNATION

**- Larry Kramer
- Rob Billerbeck**

PURPOSE: To designate one new Colorado Natural Area.

MOTION: "I move that the Board of Parks and Outdoor Recreation accept the Articles of Designation for the referenced site."

Moved: Doug Cole
Seconded: Tom Glass
Vote: Unanimous

COLORADO RIVER STATE PARK ACQUISITION

- Kurt Mill

PURPOSE: To seek Board approval authorizing the Director of Colorado State Parks to negotiate and acquire a property, which is approximately 11 acres in size, located in Mesa County to be incorporated into Colorado River State Park.

MOTION: "I move that the Board of Parks and Outdoor Recreation authorize the Director to accept the above-described parcel of land from United Companies of Mesa County as a donation."

Moved: Doug Cole
Seconded: Tom Glass
Vote: Unanimous

COLORADO RIVER STATE PARK ACQUISITION

- Dave Giger

PURPOSE: To solicit the Park's Board approval for a new lease at Elkhead Reservoir, Yampa River State Park between Colorado State Parks, the City of Craig and the Colorado River Water Conservation District (CRWCD).

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MOTION: "I move that the Board of Parks and Outdoor Recreation authorize the Director to negotiate and consummate a new lease with the Colorado River Water Conservation District at Elkhead Reservoir, Yampa River State Park."

Moved: Tom Glass
Seconded: Doug Cole
Vote: Unanimous

CHERRY CREEK STATE PARK FOOD CONCESSION


- Dave Giger

PURPOSE: To seek Board approval authorizing the Director of Colorado State Parks to negotiate and acquire a property, which is approximately 11 acres in size, located in Mesa County to be incorporated into Colorado River State Park.

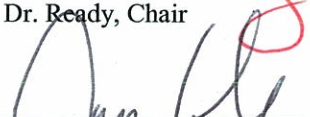
MOTION: "I move that the Board of Parks and Outdoor Recreation authorize the Director the authority to issue a 1-year short-term concession permit to BENJOMEG LLC with contractual changes to allow Colorado State Parks to review food concession options at Cherry Creek State Park and issue a food concession bid package in Summer of 2005."

Moved: Doug Cole
Seconded: Tom Glass
Vote: Unanimous

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Dr. Ready, Chair



Doug Cole, Secretary