

Town of Superior
Parks Recreation Open Space and Trails Advisory Committee
Meeting Notes
November 20, 2013

Members of the Committee in attendance: Jim Paine (Chair), Daryl McCool, Sandie Hammerly (Vice-Chair), Ron Sommer, Peter Bottomley, Jeff Isaacson, Brent Bickel, Aaron Atwell, Steve Smith. Quorum present.

Others in attendance:

Town Board Liaison: Trustee Chris Hanson.

Consultant: Chris Dropinski of GreenPlay.

Staff: Martin Toth, Parks, Recreation and Open Space Director.

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm.

Agenda Items:

1. Town Board 10/28 Meeting Recap. During their October 28 meeting, the Town Board received a presentation and discussed recommendations from the Committee regarding the two ongoing community engagement processes – the School Parcel Engagement Process and the Indoor Community and/or Recreation Space Engagement Process. The Board provided direction to continue, and to begin an additional engagement process to develop recommendations for civic space priorities at Superior Town Center. The Committee reviewed with Chris Dropinski and staff plans and timelines for the three processes over the next year. The Trustees also received a presentation on the Recreational Program Assessment, and the Committee discussed program suggestions from the Trustees arising from that presentation.
2. 2014 Work Plan. The Committee discussed items to potentially be considered for next year's Work Plan.
3. Founders Park Slacklining. The Committee discussed the successful slacklining clinics held at Founders Park in September and whether the Town should consider hosting organized slacklining activities there for the 2014 season. Founders Park is not a programmed facility as a matter of policy, so the Board would need to approve hosting these activities there. If there is Board direction to proceed, staff will work with Gibbons Slacklines instructors to host classes for beginners through advanced participants for both youth and adults, with beginners focusing on safety and set-up. These multi-week classes, a weeklong youth summer camp along with one-time family slackline sessions could be tentatively scheduled start in the spring. The point was raised in discussion that – should the activities prove to be popular – a second slackline venue could be pursued in a location more conducive to programing, since a slackline facility is a relatively inexpensive amenity to add, requiring minimal space.

The Committee passed a recommendation with 7 in favor, 1 opposed, and 1 abstention:

- a. The Committee recommends that the Board approve hosting organized slacklining activities at Founders Park for the 2014 season and receive an assessment of these activities from the Committee next fall to determine a recommendation on whether to continue in future seasons.
4. Amenities Prioritization List Annual Review. The Committee discussed the list of amenities assembled previously, suggested several potential items to consider and agreed to continue this dialog during the December and January meetings.
5. Update – Playground Project. The questionnaire posted on EngageSuperior.com has received several responses, and will continue to be promoted through Town media.
6. Updates and Look-Ahead
 - a. Trail Installation Project at Mt. Sopris and Indiana Street – substantial completion last week; some clean-up and seeding remain.
 - b. Autrey Park Restroom Installation Project – unit delivered last month; site work and connections completed; Xcel initiating electric service is pending and should be completed in the next week.
 - c. Coal Creek Regional Trail Repair Project – Board approved contract on October 28; substantial completion this week.
 - d. Hodgson-Harris Reservoir Project Schedule – State approval pending final revisions; schedule calls for posting bid in December, contractor to start March 1 and be complete May 31.
 - e. 2014 Budget Schedule – consideration of approval on Final Reading by the Town Board is scheduled for 11/25 Board Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Next Meeting – Wednesday, December 18, 2013, 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall