

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE HAILEY PARKS & LANDS BOARD
Held March 4, 2008**

Present: Board Members Darin Sales, Jill Swanger, Cheryl Kramer, and Kathy Noble; Tom Hellen and Becki Keefer, Staff. **Not Present:** Janet Fugate, Tom Downey and Dean Hernandez.

Project Prioritization and Goals:

Members discussed projects, and prioritized them, in general, by finishing the projects that are currently underway (such as Woodside Park) or that can be done for minimal funds (Toe of the Hill Trail).

(A copy of the final Summary of Board Priorities that was given to the Council is attached.)

Quigley Canyon Annexation:

John Gaeddert was present to represent the application, and Keith Perry was speaking on behalf of the BCRD. Keith said that the BCRD had looked had at their organized sports programs field needs and inventory, and found that the School District fields were more than adequate to meet their needs, both now and in the near future. They don't use or need any city park fields at this time.

Members brought up other users' needs, such as adult or Latino soccer leagues, Sawtooth United, informal games. Cheryl said that Wood River Baseball can't find practice fields easily now; she anticipates that future growth will create additional needs for fields.

Keith said that from the BCRD's view, their field needs were being met by the School District, that the Quigley proposal offers more than their share of community recreation. In his opinion, field schedulers have adequate fields to meet their needs. Cheryl disagrees, as her experience is otherwise, through programs not managed by the BCRD. There was a suggestion that perhaps a summit meeting for all field use groups to assess and plan overall field inventory would help. Keith added that BCRD usually gets in-lieu contributions from developers for park space.

Darin asked about fencing along the wildlife corridors, as he shares concerns about users, dogs, and wildlife conflicts. John referred to the details outlined in the application file, which were developed by a Fish & Game consultant to accommodate wildlife and minimize conflicts for them.

John assured the Board that the snowmaking guns are now extremely quiet and efficient; one gun can cover 1 sq. km per night, and not be heard within a near (20 – 50 yards?) distance. The guns would be used at the start of the season, to lay down a good base, and not at the end. The system would be used mostly on the golf course, away from homes. It would be a draw for north valley residents.

Night skiing would be provided through use of low bollard lights that would adjust to the level of the snow. This would extend skiing into the evenings for working persons who get off later.

The Board looked at details for the creek side trail, which changes character along the stream as it flows through the golf course, and is proposed to have a semi-permeable surface.

The Board felt that their final comments would be well-represented by their “survey” results, but asked to see the final draft before it was forwarded on to Beth.

Approval of Minutes:

Cheryl moved to approve the minutes for January 8 and February 5, 2008 as presented; Jill seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.