



RUETER-HESS ADVISORY BOARD

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2024

MINUTES

Friday, December 13, 2024

9:00 AM

13939 Ancestry Dr.
Parker, CO 80134

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

a. Roll Call

PRESENT Board Member Bill Wasserman.
Alternate Ron Redd
Board Member Austin Good
Alternate Marne Hansen
Board Member Mary Colton
Alternate David Anderson
Alternate Amy Knopp

EXCUSED Board Member Jeff Brauer
Board Member Larry Nimmo
Board Member Steve Shoultz
Alternate Michael Lawson
Alternate Seth Hoffman

b. Approval of the Agenda

Board Member Bill Wasserman asked for a motion for the RAB to approve today's agenda.

RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: Austin Good
SECONDER: Marne Hansen
AYES: Wasserman, Redd, Good, Hansen, Colton, Anderson, Knopp
EXCUSED: Brauer, Nimmo, Shoultz, Lawson, Hoffman

2. Approval of Minutes

Board Member Mr. Wasserman asked for a motion for the RAB to approve the Minutes from November 15, 2024.

RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: Marne Hansen
SECONDER: David Anderson
AYES: Wasserman, Redd, Good, Hansen, Colton, Anderson, Knopp
EXCUSED: Brauer, Nimmo, Shoultz, Lawson, Hoffman

3. Citizen Comment

There were none.

4. Discussion and Action Items**a. Dock Update Phase #1**

Amy Knopp, Manager, Rueter-Hess updated the Board on the status of acquiring docks. Both dock phases 1 and 2 will be coming next year in 2025.

b. Roadway and Entrance Station Improvements

Amy Knopp, Manager, Rueter-Hess updated the RAB on the progress of work with the County's engineers and PWSO team for the entrance improvements. Plans are to better align the entrance with Double Angel Road and bring in new culverts to help with draining.

Staff went over the entrance station improvement maps to where and what materials will be used.

The RAB asked questions and discussed.

Work should begin in 2025.

c. Master Plan Update

Staff updated the Board on the progress of the 2024 Master Plan.

Board member Bill Wasserman had a few edits and word corrections.

The final draft of the 2024 Master Plan will be presented at the February 2025 RAB meeting. All RAB members agree that it can be approved in February for recommendations without going back to the councils since it was already presented to the councils in 2024.

d. Hess Road Trailhead Planning

Amy Knopp, Manager, Rueter-Hess updated the Board on the developing site-plan with the Incline trailhead and the demonstration garden. In February staff will be coming back with design ideas.

e. Rueter-Hess Update November 2024

Amy Knopp, Manager, Rueter-Hess shared the update with the RAB. Staff spoke highly of our new hire Patrick Latham and his fire skills background.

Visitation has decreased greatly for the winter.

Rueter-Hess trails are now the third busiest in Parks and Trails.

Bill Wasserman made a suggestion for the RAB to consider shade structures for the shoreline for users to get out of the sun. Staff were requested to research movable shade structures. Shade shelters would add value to the experience at Rueter-Hess. The Incline may also be considered for a shade structure.

Staff briefed the RAB on the new Ranger program. P & T will start paying for vehicles and fuel charges incurred. The Rueter-Hess Ranger trucks will be rebranded as DC Park Rangers.

f. Rueter-Hess Budget Update November 2024

Staff informed the RAB the budget is on track for spending this year.

Our items were approved on the 2025 Budget.

g. Fishery Update

Kendra Holmes, Aqua Sierra, shared the most recent fishery update with the RAB.

The RAB had requested clarification of information and recommendations from the 2024 Fishery Summary.

Questions were asked Aqua Sierra about fluctuating catch and keep with public use.

Aqua Sierra will take the RABs concerns and requests under consideration and get back to them regarding lures, barbed treble hooks, scented bait, bag limits, and other regulations. At this time, Aqua Sierra is okay with allowing a single barbed hook.

Habitat is increasing as the water level increases. Most fish will seek shade and structure.

Aqua Sierra commented on the importance of the Keel Survey with the anglers. The surveys will help drive decisions on regulations at Rueter-Hess.

5. Other Business and Discussion

Ron Redd, PWSD, briefed the RAB on the new addition of a memorial area by the Pavilions on the reservoir side of the property. There will be two posts by the pavilion with engraved plates for citizens to purchase or request through PWSD.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

The Next Regular Meeting Will be Held on January 10, 2025 @ 9:00 a.m.