

VAIL PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
d/b/a VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

5:00 P.M.
Thursday, May 23, 2024
Town of Vail, Council Chambers
AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Changes to Agenda;
3. Approval of Minutes;
 - a. March 28, 2024
4. Public Input (for matters not otherwise on agenda/three-minute time limit/no disrupting, pursuant to § 18-9-108, C.R.S.);
5. New Business and Special Orders;
 - a. 2024 Vail Athlete Scholarship Award Winners- Mr. Mike Ortiz
 - b. Game Ball Presentation-Maddy LyBarger- Mr. Mike Ortiz
 - c. Presentation and Acceptance of 2023 Financial Audit-Mr. Matt Miller, McMahan & Associates
 - d. Eagle County Hazard Mitigation Resolution- Ms. Andrea Sanchez
 - e. 2023 Year-in-Review- Ms. Nell Davis
6. Unfinished Business;
 - a. None
7. Officers, Committees, Staff, and Professional Consultants;
 - a. April 2024 Financial Report - Mr. Eric Weaver
 - b. Executive Director Report - Mr. Mike Ortiz
 - c. Board Member Input
8. Adjournment

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RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting Of the Board of Directors

Vail Park and Recreation District
dba Vail Recreation District
March 28, 2024

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on March 28, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. at the Vail Town Council Chambers, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado.

1. MEMBERS PRESENT

1.1. Bob Armour, John Rediker, Jason Plante, Kirk Hansen, Molly Rabin

2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED

2.1. None.

3. STAFF PRESENT

3.1. Mike Ortiz, April Heredia, Nell Davis, Jacob Tilmann, Scott O'Connell

4. OTHERS PRESENT

4.1. Billy Suarez, Rick Sackbauer, Jerry Stevens, Carol Johnson

5. CONSULTANTS PRESENT

5.1. Eric Weaver, Marchetti & Weaver, LLC.

6. CALL TO ORDER

6.1. Director Armour called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

7. CHANGES TO AGENDA

7.1. None.

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

8.1. By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2024, regular meeting.

9. PUBLIC INPUT FOR MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE ON AGENDA

9.1 None.

10. VAIL GOLF CLUB COURSE CONDITIONS REPORT

10.1 Mr. Tilmann first shared with the board that Nordic Center will be able to make it until the end of the season date of April 7th with the snow that we have

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recently received. He gave kudos to Stephen Marquette who has been a great addition to the crew this winter with amazing grooming skills.

10.1 Mr. Tilmann gave a very informative report on the state of the greens as he has now uncovered all the greens to be played this upcoming season. He first gave the board an explanation as to why the greens need to be uncovered. He shared that fungicide is only good for a certain amount of time, and how it is important to get them uncovered to let them start getting sunlight and air flow.

10.2 Mr. Tilmann went through a variety of pictures of each green uncovered and shared that he was pleased with the way they all came out of winter. He also thanked Dan Timm, Trey Johnson, Chad Young, Marc Thomas, and Mike Ortiz for helping clear some greens.

10.3 Mr. Tilmann shared with the board how the shading from existing trees affects holes 5 and 14. He showed various photos at different times of the day and explained how lack of sunlight is a major reason why the greens are not mending. He shared that the greens need good soil temperatures and sun for them to grow. He suggested removing just enough aspens to help the areas not receiving enough sunlight. He also suggested trimming down a few evergreens. He will put together a plan and share that with the board so that they can get Town of Vail approval.

10.4 Mr. Rick Sackbauer shared his thoughts saying he has gone to the Town of Vail with this problem and suggested that the Town have a master plan for trees. He suggested getting the Rec-subcommittee involved in this conversation.

11. SUMMER 2024 PICKLEBALL PASS SALES AND COURT RESERVATION POLICY

11.1. Mr. Mike Ortiz shared that rates for 2024 Pickleball were approved in the fall with input from taxpayers and residents. It has recently come to the attention of the district that the district needs to provide more access to the courts for taxpayers and residents.

11.2. Mr. Ortiz worked with others (Rick Sackbauer, Kirk Hansen and Billy Suarez to name a few) to create the proposed changes to the current rates and rental processes to make it better for taxpayers and residents. The new proposed changes are to sell passes only to VRD taxpayers and residents and only allow them to make reservations. If there are reservations still available, the manager can make those slots available to non-residents to rent. The fee for nonresidents to play will increase to \$25 per day or a 10-punch card can be purchased for \$200.00.

11.3. Ms. Carol Johnson gave public input about the policy and shared her concern about the impact this will have on the hotels since they are the property taxpayer and the visitor is not. She also shared her thought on how Tennis is not like pickleball, and that Tennis does not ever have open play like pickleball does and that they should not be compared.

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- 11.4. Mr. Billy Suarez also gave public input and shared briefly how it works to play pickleball in the area. He shared that other local towns do not charge their residents a fee and it is all open play. He felt that hotels should not receive a discount as he has played in many facilities and always has to pay a visitor's fee regardless of where he is staying.
- 11.5. By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the Summer 2024 Pickleball Pass Sales and Court Reservation Policy with the understanding that additional information clarifying specifics will be shared once staff has it figured out.
12. FEBRUARY 2024 FINANCIAL REPORT
- 12.1. Mr. Eric Weaver shared with the board that it is early in the year with not a whole lot happening. He shared we are currently showing a \$445K deficit. This is normal for this part of the year as some of our operations are in their slow time. Nordic revenues were a bit lower to start the year but have bounced back some in February. Sports and camps will be opening reservations and revenues will start to pick up.
- 12.2 Expenses were generally favorable for the first couple of months. Nordic Maintenance was not fully staffed and therefore saw savings. Capital spent was just the snow cat so far this year. Not much more to report.
13. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT
- 14.1 Mr. Mike Ortiz shared a few highlights from the director's report that can be found on the website in the board packet.
- 14.2 He thanked Mr. Scott O'Connell for all of his efforts that he has been making for a successful 45th anniversary celebration for Dobson Ice Arena that will be on April 2, 2024. Nell and Maddy also did a great deal for this celebration and Mr. Ortiz thanked them for their great work. He also thanked Nell and Maddy for the summer brochure.
- 14.2 Mr. Ortiz shared that the sports department has some good numbers for their upcoming t-ball session and shared that they will be doing a 26 K for the first time on Vail Mountain this summer.
- 14.3 Mr. Ortiz shared that there will be many capital projects this year such as the restrooms at 6th and athletic field as well as the administration building. Director Rediker asked for the administrative building if the Town of Vail was willing to scale the building for functionality he also asked if the town was going to add a welcome center to Ford Park. Mr. Scott O'Connell answered that the administration building is staying as is that it will be an interior renovation only. Currently the budget for the building is about \$400K. Also, as of now no welcome center is being added.
- 14.4 Mr. Ortiz gave a quick update on displacement ice. He still thinks the best bet is down in Eagle. They are meeting soon, and he should have a better timeline for

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whether or not it is going to happen down valley. If it does not happen down valley it may have to be done at the golf course.

14. BOARD MEMBER INPUT

14.1 Director Armour shared that he will not be at the next meeting.

14.2 Director Plante asked about the water intrusion at the Golf and Nordic Clubhouse. Mr. Scott O'Connell confirmed that snow has been removed from the trouble spots. He shared that there are still others that need to be addressed and he is continually working on them.

14.3 Director Rabin shared that she attended Project Fun Way, and it was another great event. She praised the food & beverage team for their great job.

15. ADJOURNMENT

15.1. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously RESOLVED to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Vail Recreation District Board of Directors.

Respectfully Submitted,
April Heredia
Secretary to the Meeting

**VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE PERIODS INDICATED BELOW**

	12/31/23			04/30/24		
	General Fund	Fixed Assets & LTD	Total	General Fund	Fixed Assets & LTD	Total
ASSETS						
CASH- UNRESTRICTED	10,131,384		10,131,384	12,270,121		12,270,121
INVESTMENTS- RESTRICTED			0			0
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	225,970		225,970	74,480		74,480
PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE	6,573,183		6,573,183	3,792,619		3,792,619
PREPAIDS, DEPOSITS & INVENTORY	879,846		879,846	492,058		492,058
DUE (TO) FROM OTHER FUND	0		0	0		0
LOAN DUE (TO) FROM OTHER FUND	0		0	0		0
BUILDINGS		16,021,036	16,021,036		16,021,036	16,021,036
EQUIPMENT		3,343,508	3,343,508		3,343,508	3,343,508
ACCUM DEPR		(11,774,520)	(11,774,520)		(11,774,520)	(11,774,520)
TOTAL ASSETS	17,810,382	7,590,024	25,400,406	16,629,277	7,590,024	24,219,301
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY						
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	210,751		210,751	217,203		217,203
DEFERRED PROPERTY TAXES	6,573,183		6,573,183	3,792,619		3,792,619
DEFERRED REVENUE	305,858		305,858	300,254		300,254
ACCRUED COMPENSATED ABSENCES		145,651	145,651		145,651	145,651
ACCRUED INTEREST PAYABLE			0			0
DOBSON BONDS PAYABLE			0			0
TOTAL LIABILITIES	7,089,792	145,651	7,235,443	4,310,076	145,651	4,455,727
NET ASSETS						
INV IN FIXED ASSETS, NET OF DEBT		7,444,373	7,444,373		7,444,373	7,444,373
NON-SPENDABLE & RESTRICTED	1,267,643		1,267,643	962,535		962,535
COMMITTED & ASSIGNED FOR CAPITAL	6,470,000		6,470,000	6,110,000		6,110,000
UNASSIGNED	2,982,947		2,982,947	5,246,666		5,246,666
TOTAL NET ASSETS	10,720,590	7,444,373	18,164,963	12,319,201	7,444,373	19,763,574
TOTAL LIAB & NET ASSETS	17,810,382	7,590,024	25,400,406	16,629,277	7,590,024	24,219,301

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VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
ACTUAL, BUDGET AND FORECAST FOR THE PERIODS INDICATED

Printed: 05/17/24
 Modified Accrual Basis

	2023 Prelim Actual	2024 Forecast	2024 Adopted Budget	Variance Favorable (Unfavor)	4 Months Ended 04/30/24 Actual	4 Months Ended 04/30/24 Budget	Variance Favorable (Unfavor)	Current Month 04/30/24 Actual	Current Month 04/30/24 Budget	Variance Favorable (Unfavor)
COMBINED REVENUES										
PROPERTY AND OTHER TAXES, NET OF FEES	4,846,212	6,891,414	6,809,249	82,165	2,784,081	3,006,477	(222,396)	618,866	874,679	(255,813)
INTEREST & OTHER REVENUES	620,301	646,000	566,000	80,000	204,664	162,292	42,372	53,594	42,292	11,303
SPORTS	518,872	531,877	497,710	34,167	238,111	218,126	19,985	55,413	59,605	(4,192)
GYMNASTICS	294,431	327,360	327,360	-	130,137	125,129	5,008	19,114	19,149	(35)
COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING	468,381	508,250	520,250	(12,000)	248,342	249,944	(1,602)	116,799	140,220	(23,422)
NATURE CENTER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NORDIC CENTER, NET OF COGS	742,013	750,309	750,309	-	414,170	437,745	(23,575)	17,052	29,296	(12,244)
GOLF COURSE, NET OF COGS	1,665,224	1,807,400	1,807,400	-	662	2,656	(1,994)	580	984	(404)
TENNIS	58,518	63,000	63,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PICKLEBALL	131,437	158,375	158,375	-	9,397	15,113	(5,716)	800	1,673	(873)
DOBSON	1,054,954	1,067,312	1,067,312	-	506,765	410,144	96,621	50,860	34,081	16,779
GOLF F&B / BANQUET ROOM, NET OF COGS	1,229,664	1,288,593	1,288,593	-	181,331	114,866	66,466	57,215	19,235	37,980
TOTAL REVENUES	11,630,008	14,039,889	13,855,557	184,332	4,717,660	4,742,490	(24,830)	990,292	1,221,215	(230,922)
OPERATING EXPENSES										
ADMINISTRATION	(1,068,262)	(1,117,187)	(1,164,350)	47,163	(497,611)	(545,316)	47,705	(72,818)	(90,073)	17,255
PUBLIC RELATIONS/MARKETING	(389,546)	(451,213)	(432,956)	(18,257)	(141,187)	(138,520)	(2,666)	(17,625)	(34,551)	16,926
PARK MAINTENANCE	(346,416)	(406,799)	(404,447)	(2,352)	(66,163)	(74,478)	8,314	(15,975)	(20,091)	4,116
FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	(156,834)	(164,248)	(165,201)	953	(56,763)	(57,727)	964	(12,011)	(12,029)	18
SPORTS	(681,452)	(740,112)	(740,317)	205	(172,481)	(188,710)	16,230	(40,292)	(51,607)	11,315
GYMNASTICS	(423,927)	(487,047)	(486,149)	(898)	(154,616)	(161,724)	7,108	(31,915)	(31,900)	(14)
COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING	(640,742)	(739,336)	(761,439)	22,104	(167,237)	(203,597)	36,360	(38,127)	(56,224)	18,097
NATURE CENTER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NORDIC CENTER	(687,412)	(727,366)	(752,977)	25,611	(399,133)	(425,237)	26,104	(51,030)	(39,073)	(11,958)
GOLF OPERATIONS	(895,348)	(932,310)	(928,282)	(4,028)	(116,490)	(121,406)	4,916	(38,302)	(34,919)	(3,383)
GOLF MAINTENANCE	(961,216)	(1,018,565)	(1,013,210)	(5,355)	(139,035)	(133,331)	(5,704)	(70,593)	(64,414)	(6,179)
TENNIS	(147,766)	(165,036)	(164,422)	(614)	(11,561)	(11,328)	(232)	(2,749)	(3,298)	550
PICKLEBALL	(121,610)	(153,855)	(144,478)	(9,377)	(24,981)	(15,363)	(9,619)	(5,457)	(2,644)	(2,813)
DOBSON	(1,282,857)	(1,447,875)	(1,410,300)	(37,576)	(504,162)	(511,871)	7,709	(100,214)	(107,663)	7,449
GOLF F&B / BANQUET ROOM	(1,189,022)	(1,381,504)	(1,360,956)	(20,548)	(358,295)	(326,557)	(31,738)	(83,997)	(75,045)	(8,953)
TOTAL EXPENSES	(8,992,408)	(9,932,452)	(9,929,483)	(2,969)	(2,809,715)	(2,915,166)	105,451	(581,105)	(623,531)	42,426
CHANGE IN FUND BAL BEFORE DS & CAP	2,637,600	4,107,437	3,926,074	181,362	1,907,945	1,827,324	80,621	409,188	597,684	(188,496)
DEBT SERVICE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SALE OF ASSETS, DONATIONS, & LOANS	187,900	45,000	45,000	-	45,000	45,000	-	-	-	-
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	(1,470,157)	(3,695,485)	(4,715,482)	1,019,997	(354,334)	(421,376)	67,042	(26,325)	(31,488)	5,163
LESS UNFUNDED CAPITAL PROJECTS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CONTINGENCY	-	(300,000)	(300,000)	-	-	(100,000)	100,000	-	(25,000)	25,000
TOTAL NET CAPITAL EXPENSES	(1,282,257)	(3,950,485)	(4,970,482)	1,019,997	(309,334)	(476,376)	167,042	(26,325)	(56,488)	30,163
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	1,355,343	156,952	(1,044,407)	1,201,359	1,598,611	1,350,948	247,663	382,863	541,196	(158,333)
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	9,365,247	10,089,039	10,089,039	-	10,720,590	10,089,039	631,551			
ENDING FUND BALANCES	10,720,590	10,245,991	9,044,632	1,201,359	12,319,201	11,439,987	879,214			

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT VARIANCES:

PROPERTY TAX REVENUES- Delay in sending out of property tax bills due to late legislative changes translated to fewer payments received in March.
 NORDIC REVENUES- Down about 5% from budget, offset by savings in expenses.
 DOBSON REVENUES- Generally collection of funds earlier than budgeted
 GOLF F&B/ BANQUET REVENUES- Banquet Room revenues off to a great start.
 ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES- Savings in HR consultant fees and favorable error in budget formula for bank fees
 COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING EXPENSES- Were down a full-time position early in the year.
 NORDIC EXPENSES- Were down 2 positions on the golf maintenance side, plus other savings where possible.
 BANQUET/ F&B EXPENSES- Prior Year Commission, Equipment Repair, and Workers Comp increases resulting in negative variance early in the year.
 CAPITAL- Haven't needed the contingency so far (snowcat in particular came in on budget)
 FUND BALANCE- Savings at end of 2023 rolled forward to 2024.

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VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT DIRECTOR REPORTS

May 23, 2024

MARKETING

- We are working with a company called Streamline for a new website. The impetus for this change is the passing of House Bill 21-1110, which requires state and local public entities to meet web accessibility standards. Streamline specializes in websites for special districts, and they have a lot of experience with web accessibility, so we are confident that our new website will be compliant with the new law, while still being visually appealing and easy to navigate. We plan to go live with the new site on May 31 and we are hard at work getting the new site ready to launch, and getting staff trained on how to use the new site.
- We assisted the Scholarship Committee in compiling the 2024 college scholarship applications for review.
- Madelyn created unique hand-drawn graphics for the whitewater and mountain bike race posters/ads, continuing with the design theme of the trail running posters/ads.
- We are working on materials in anticipation of the tennis season, including rack cards and front desk signage.
- We are busy helping the Vail Golf Club and the Grill on the Gore be ready to open, including press releases, ads, rack cards, pro shop slides, new menus for the restaurant and Starter Haus, and more.
- With the golf pro shop set up and looking great, we had a photographer come take some professional photos, both to promote the offerings at the pro shop this season and to help Trey clinch the Section Merchandiser of the Year Award (he is a finalist).
- Race season is underway, and we are at every event taking photos, as well as preparing press releases, social media posts, digital and print ads and more to promote the races.
- Madelyn created a logo and branding materials for the Cougar Ridge Classic 26K, the first step in marketing this new and exciting race.
- Our new marketing assistant, Maddie Lindley, has been a great addition to the team. She is taking photos at events, helping with press releases and even taking on some graphic design projects like new signage for the trail race course markers.
- In April, Nell joined in on a KidZone School's Out expedition to Sara Eaton's farm outside of Leadville and took some cute pictures of KidZone campers brushing rabbits, feeding goats and driving tractors.
- We are working on messaging and materials in advance of pickleball programming starting in June.
- We have begun planning for the 2024 BB&B golf tournament, taking place Sept. 12. This year's theme: Mardi Gras!
- We continue to promote VRD facilities and spring/summer activities including youth sports, gymnastics programs, adult leagues, KidZone camps, Imagination Station, adult clinics and much more!

SPORTS

- Adult Sports:
 - Spring indoor volleyball is going strong with 8 teams. We will crown a champion on 5/29
 - Outdoor summer leagues will start the first week in June with Softball and 8v8 Soccer. We will have a growth in Softball teams for the first time in several years.

- Cornhole and Sand Volleyball registration is now open, and those leagues start in mid-June after the King of the Mountain Volleyball tournament.
- Youth Sports:
 - Currently 165 kids playing youth soccer and additional 12 high schoolers helping to coach.
 - Summer sports camp registration is open and continues to see strong numbers with a wide array of camps.
- Events and Races:
 - We have had some unfortunate weather for our first few events. The weather forced the cancellation of our first short track race and first whitewater race.
 - Our first whitewater race, while starting a week late and with very little flow, saw a huge participation turnout with 55 boats and 81 participants, making it one of the largest races, we had other than Mountain Games week.
 - We are moving forward with Dynafit to produce a stand-alone 26K trail race in 2024. The Cougar Ridge Classic would start in Vail, end in Minturn, and take place September 28. We have approval for funding through CSE and the Town of Minturn. The goal is to turn this event into a destination trail running weekend.
 - We are always in need of volunteers at our events.
 - Up next: Boneyard Boogie 5/18, first trail running race.
Whitewater every Tuesday for the next 4 weeks

Minturn Mini will kick off the youth portion of the Town mountain bike series on 5/22.

Eagle Ranch Classic will be the first race for both youth and adult riders of the Town mountain bike series on 5/29.

 - We will be once again leading the charge on all things running and mountain biking during the Mountain Games from 6/6-6/9.
- Other:
 - Sports is partnering with VVMTA to give racers the option to join or make a donation to VVMTA while they register for both trail running and mountain bike races.
 - Sports is also partnering with the Eagle River Coalition (Eagle River Watershed Council) on a similar program where participants in the Whitewater Series have the option of donating when registering.
 - We are pausing our search for another Sports Coordinator until Fall and will hire a fulltime summer event staff person instead. We will look to rehire that position in early fall when we can take the required time to train the person and have them take some ownership of certain programs.

NORDIC

- VNC finished the 23-24 Nordic season on Sunday 4/7 with good snow and good trail conditions.
- VNC end of season sale went really well. It was a progressive sale over 3 weeks.
- VNC hosted two EVOM/ Walking Mountain groups on 3/26 and 4/2 for Nordic Skiing, fat tire biking and lunch in the restaurant.
- VNC hosted two Next Level Nordic Clinics: Classic skiing on 3/13 and Skate skiing on 3/27.
- We are working on some new signage ideas with Jacob Tilman for next Nordic season.
- Pass holders and guests complimented the grooming this season and raved about the food and service in Grill on the Gore Restaurant.
- Attending the CCCSA meeting on Tuesday 4/16 at 10:00am
- Nordic is now packed away and we have been busy pulling out golf storage to set up the golf shop.

GOLF

- The Driving Range opens on May 17th. We plan to open 18 holes on Friday, May 24th.
- The new golf carts arrived on Tuesday, May 6. Unfortunately, the spring blizzard hit on this day. We had a challenging day for the delivery, but the staff did a great job hanging in there with the inclement weather. Thank you to Jacob Tilmann and his staff for helping us with the delivery. The carts look great and have all the bells and whistles like comfy seats, GPS, Blue tooth, club cleaner and more.
- The golf shop is fully stocked with merchandise from Adidas, Foot Joy, Greyson, Puma and more as well as new 2024 golf clubs from Callaway, PING and Cobra. Trey Johnson and Andrew Villescascas are responsible for the amazing set up of the golf shop with the new merchandise.
- We are fully hired with seasonal staff. Our PGA Interns arrived on May 15. All our interns are from UNLV this year. Felix Gruner, Tae Yang, Drew Romine and Carson Smith. We have quite a few new seasonal staff this summer.
- Season pass sales have been steady. We anticipate increased sales when we open the golf course.
- Trey Johnson is a finalist for the 2023 PGA Colorado Section Merchandiser of the Year Award. This award will be announced in August.
- Shannon Elias, who worked with us last season, has decided to pursue a career in the golf business and has committed to the PGA Associate program. She will be assisting the professional staff with junior golf, groups and managing staff.

GOLF MAINTENANCE

- **Greens:**

The golf greens are healthy, and we are working on lowering the height of cut down and topdressing for smoothness before opening day. We are a little behind on this process due to the 8" of snow we received on May 7th. There are sod patches on golf greens 5 and 14. These areas will be ground under repair for opening day until they are fully rooted and ready to be played off of.

- **Tees, Fairways and Rough:**

Tees, fairways and rough are bouncing back from the long winter. We will apply a granular fertilizer application early June. We are planning to slit seed in late May to help any thin areas. Warmer weather looks to be in the forecast which is good to help bring soil temperature up and start the germination process.

- **Bunkers:**

The bunkers are fantastic after the complete renovation they went through. We have been working on stapling back any exposed bunker liner on the faces of the bunkers.

- **Irrigation:**

The irrigation system is running smoothly, and continual maintenance is done as needed. There were very few breaks while charging the system this year.

FOOD & BEVERAGE

Grill on the Gore:

- We have a new seasonal restaurant manager hired for the summer. Her name is Kelsie and she begins on the 22nd of May.
- We are cleaning and getting the restaurant ready to open on the 25th of May.
- The hours of operation for the summer will be 11:00A – 7:00P.
- Staffing looks good for the summer both in the front of house and back of house.

Starter Haus:

- Will open on Friday May 24th.
- The hours of operation are similar to past years. We open 30 minutes before the first tee time and close just after the final tee time of the day.
- For this week while the range is open, we are offering some limited snacks and beverages through the pro shop.

Bev Cart:

- Will likely look to open around June 1st.

Events:

- We are wrapping up our “wedding tasting” season as we enter full event summer season.
- We have promoted 2 staff members for the front of the house to lead positions and have hired a banquet kitchen supervisor in the back of the house.
- Currently we have approximately 13 – 14 events in June which is very busy!
- The outside lawn project has begun. Courtney is working with Jacob and the team hired to do the work.

Dobson:

- We have a Spanish dance tonight which is always a big event for us.
- We just got several new vending machines from Pepsi.

Ford Park Concessions:

- The first events of the year that we will provide concessions for is June 14-16 and have events out there through July 7th for the most part.

Overall, the F&B team is ready to be fully operational in the coming weeks and are very excited. We are more staffed than we were before and ready for a busy summer!

COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING

- Summer Camp registration opened April 6 and went well. We are still receiving and processing paperwork for children to be added to our waitlists.
- We are still hiring for Camp Vail and Pre Kamp-Vail. We have interviews next week. Hopeful to increase our camp capacities by end of May.
- Imagination Station is still seeing participation as well as end of school year class groups visit.
- We had April Schools Out Camp April 22-25. It was a lot of fun getting our kiddos out of town to Denver Audubon Center, Breck Rec Rock Climbing, Bananas in Grand Junction, and some tractor driving, animal feeding fun at Sara Eaton’s homestead.

- Summer Staff Training is June 3-7. We will also be running a small (24 children) camp, Launch into Summer! out of Imagination Station that week by Tamyra and Chad.
- Camp Vail and Pre-Kamp Vail begin June 10.

PARKS

- The fields came out of winter in good shape. We have been working on cleaning up around the areas and mowing and painting fields as needed for youth soccer. HPS stadium and baseball field will be without water for two more weeks due to water retention problems with the new and enlarged Eagle Vail Pond. HPS has been aerated, seeded, and fertilized while we were receiving rain in early May and as of now is healthy. The athletic field irrigation project is still waiting to be completed. The contractor has been delayed and is now supposed to be on site May 20. Ford Park is in very good shape; we will be aerating May 17 and topdressing May 21 and 22.

DOBSON

- We have continued adult league through April and May. A total of 13 teams were playing.
- The Skating Club of Vail continued to rent ice through May following their April show.
- Staff are trying to catch up on spring cleaning and get things looking good by June 1.
- Staff are working on finalizing summer adult league.
- Staff have started to put the finishing touches on the 2024-2025 ice schedule. Only game schedules (women's, adult rec, VMHC, and BMHS) are pending at this point.
- Jared, Brian Gordon, Jack Goodreau, and Pat Welch are attending the North American Rink Conference and Expo in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.