RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Directors

Vail Park and Recreation District
dba Vail Recreation District
August 28, 2025

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on August 28, 2025, 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, Kim Saalfeld, Kirk Hansen

2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED
   2.1. Molly Rabin, John Rediker

3. STAFF PRESENT
   3.1. Nell Davis, April Heredia, Mike Ortiz, Scott O'Connell, Jared Biniecki

4. OTHERS PRESENT
   4.1. None.

5. CONSULTANTS PRESENT
   5.1. Eric Weaver, Marchetti & Weaver, LLC via zoom

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 June 26, 2025, meeting.

9. PUBLIC INPUT FOR MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE ON AGENDA
   9.1 None.

10. FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION/RENOVATION UPDATE

10.1 Mr. Scott O'Connell shared with the board the various projects the district currently has active or have been completed. He started with the Vail Gymnastics Center; the air conditioning unit is up and running. The Tennis/Administration building is about 98% complete and the punch list is almost completed. The Athletic field bid came in over budget, and the team is currently looking at all options to scale back the project to meet the proposed budget. Dobson is moving along at a brisk pace. A few photos were shared on the progress being made. The final project shared was the resurfacing of the pickleball courts. The project started off with a great demolition crew that quickly got the old court removed. Unfortunately, the next subcontractor was not available to start immediately. This delay and our recent rainy weather have slowed the project down. The project was tentatively scheduled to be done and ready to reopen on September 2nd, that date will need to be updated and will be when we have a better estimate of completion. We will update our users once we have more information.

11. VAIL MOUNTAINEERS-EAGLE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS RODEO RINK OPERATIONS UPDATE

11.1 Mr. Jared Biniecki expressed his gratitude to all the people that have been involved in making this rink possible. The Mountaineer hockey club was the driving force behind making this happen with all their fundraising. The county has also been great to work with as well. The Town of Vail has helped in getting a roof for the rodeo rink arena.

11.2 The Mountaineers will be hosting a golf outing at the Vail Golf Club with the Avalanche alumni next week in their efforts to continue raising money for youth hockey.

11.3 The old rink boards that were removed from Dobson will be used at the rodeo rink.

11.4 The VRD will be programming the ice and registration is currently open for U6, U8 and Mile High Mites. Work is currently being done to create an adult league and rentals. There is still not a clear picture of what a day will look like, but things are being worked out every day.

11.5 Mr. Ortiz shared with the board that an agreement will be signed with the club and will cover insurance as well as how revenues will be split. He also shared that utilities will also have to be addressed. Utilities are one of the bigger costs associated with the rink and currently we are working with the county to split those costs with the VRD. The end goal is to have them split three ways with the club helping pay their share as well.

11.6 The estimated opening date of the rink will be near the end of October.

12. EAGLE RIVER WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT-VAIL GOLF CLUB DROUGHT MANAGEMENT PLAN

12.1 Mr. Ortiz shared with the board that our ponds at the golf course had been drained, and the course had to comply with water restrictions for about a week.
12.2 The district has a drought plan with Eagle River Water & Sanitation that restricts the amount of water used during dry summers like the one we are having this year.
12.3 Mr. Ortiz shared that the course is currently in good condition. He shared that the VRD does not own the water rights, and we currently are on a raw water plan so we must abide by the ERWS drought schedule.
12.4 Director Armour asked if could run on tier 2 to help fill the ponds. Mr. Ortiz said he would share this idea with Andy Beske.

13. RECAP OF VAIL GOLF COURSE GORE CREEK MASTER PLAN PUBLIC MEETING

13.1 Mr. Mike Ortiz shared that the meeting was held on July 22, 2025. He shared that it was a good meeting with a lot of good questions from the public. Mr. Ortiz wanted to make clear that this plan has nothing to do with the golf course and that it was all about the water quality flowing through the golf course.
13.2 Mr. Ortiz shared that there are no known projects in the near future. Projects are going to cost a lot of money, and more planning will need to be done. Mr. Ortiz encouraged the board to stay informed as updates are released from the town.

14. JULY 2025 FINANCIAL REPORT

14.1 Mr. Eric Weaver reviewed with the board the July financials. Income year-to-date currently is showing $400K favorable. The golf course is favorable to budget as passes and daily fees are all up. On the expense side we are showing a $460K favorable variance. No election this year has contributed to that number as well as many departments not spending as much as anticipated. Golf shows an unfavorable variance but with revenues higher one should expect more expenses. Golf maintenance is also showing a favorable expense variance currently but that will change as more supplies will be needed to prepare the course for winter.
14.2 Capital is currently on track. Mr. Weaver shared with the board that we have made an agreement with the town of Vail to do a split payment for Dobson with half of the amount being paid now and the next half to be paid at the start of the new year. This will help the district to keep the money invested between payments.

15. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

15.1 Mr. Mike Ortiz shared a few highlights from the director's report that can be requested by sending an email to admin@vailrec.com
15.2 Mr. Mike Ortiz shared highlights from the report sharing that gymnastics has hired a new assistant coach, Courtney Cissell. We are excited to add her to the

gymnastics team. He also shared with the board that Trey Johnson is the new Director of Golf, and his team will be Andrew Villescas as Head Golf Professional and Shannon Elias as Assistant Golf Professional.
15.3 Mr. Ortiz said thank you to both Scott O'Connell and Jared Biniecki for all their continued work on Dobson and the temporary ice project rodeo rink.
15.4 Mr. Ortiz also shared with the board that Jack Goodreau from the Dobson crew has accepted a full-time position with our sports department. Dobson will miss Jack, but they are excited for this new opportunity.

16. BOARD MEMBER INPUT

16.1 Director Saalfeld thanked both Jared Biniecki and Scott O'Connell for their thorough explanation on Dobson developments. She also praised the golf staff and the programs they have offered this summer. She shared that no matter how busy they are they always stay professional and happy.
16.3 Director Armour complimented the Kids Adventure Games. He said the event was the best! He asked when the unit purchased by the district with Timberridge would be done and Mr. Ortiz answered in December of 2026. Director Armour reminded the public that closing times at the golf course would now be changing about every two weeks as the weather and days get shorter. The final closing date of the golf course will be October 12, 2025. Director Armour recognized Krik Hansen as this year's Senior Golf Club Champion, congratulations to Mr. Hansen.
16.4 Director Hansen thanked everyone's leadership that were involved in making the down valley rodeo rink a reality with a huge thank you to the county.

17 ADJOURNMENT

17.1 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