

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

5:00 P.M.

Thursday, March 12, 2026

Vail Town Council Chambers or via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87086302013>

Meeting ID: 870 8630 2013

AGENDA
SPECIAL MEETING

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Changes to Agenda;
3. Approval of Minutes;
 - a. February 26, 2026
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. Approval and acceptance of the Operating Agreement with the Town of Vail for Dobson Ice Arena- Mr. Mike Ortiz
6. 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
February 26, 2026

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on February 26, 2026, 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, Molly Rabin

2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED

2.1. John Rediker

3. STAFF PRESENT

3.1. Nell Davis, April Heredia, Mike Ortiz, Scott O'Connell, Kristina Shriver

4. OTHERS PRESENT

4.1. None.

5. CONSULTANTS PRESENT

5.1. Eric Weaver and Abby Audino, 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 by it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2025, meeting.

9. PUBLIC INPUT FOR MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE ON AGENDA

9.1 None.

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10. 2026 MEETING DATES
 - 10.1 Mr. Eric Weaver directed the Board to the proposed 2026 meeting dates as listed in the Board packet. The proposed meeting dates for 2026 are the fourth Thursday of every month, except for November and December when the Board will meet on the second Thursday due to the holidays.
 - 10.2 By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the 2026 proposed meeting schedule as presented.

11. 2026 RESOLUTION DESIGNATING POSTING LOCATIONS
 - 11.1 Mr. Weaver informed the Board that the posting location for 2026 Board meeting agendas would be on the district's website - www.vailrec.com.
 - 11.2 By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the 2026 resolution designating posting locations as presented.

12. INTRODUCTION OF MS. KRISTINA SHRIVER
 - 12.1 Ms. Kristina Shriver shared with the board information about her background and her experience in the marketing field. She was born in Denver and is new to the Vail Valley. She is a certified personal trainer and is very excited about working for the district. She answered a few questions and was welcomed by the board.
 - 12.2 Ms. Nell Davis first thanked the board for their approval of adding this position to her team. She shared with the board that she had some great applicants, but that Kristina's interview stood out and offering her the job was the right choice. Ms. Davis went on to share how fast and well Kristina has settled into her department. She also shared statistics highlighting Kristina's quick start to social media for the district.

13. JANUARY 2026 FINANCIAL REPORT
 - 13.1 Ms. Abby Audino first shared with the board that 2025 ended with a fund balance of \$14.2 million. On the January balance sheet, she shared the property tax receivable for 2026 will be roughly \$7.3 million. The profit and loss for the district for January showed that there were not many variances, but we will see that change as the year progresses. The beginning fund balance has a variance of \$575k favorable, this is due to the district ending 2025 favorable to budget and that amount was rolled over to 2026. Some of these savings were from expenses and capital projects that were not completed in 2025 that have been pushed to 2026.
 - 13.2 Director Armour asked what the impact of no Dobson for most of the year. These impacts were already built into the budget for 2026. He also asked about the impact of no snow has had on Nordic operations. Ms. Audino answered that revenue has been holding but January was down. Nordic was favorable in terms of expenses, and this helps balance out the lower revenue.

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14. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

14.1 Mr. Mike Ortiz shared a few highlights from the director's report that can be requested by sending an email to admin@vailrec.com.

14.2 Mr. Ortiz shared that the Beaver Creek Snowshoe race had to be moved to the Vail Nordic Center due to lack of snow. Staff will be calling all registrants personally to inform them of the change. Start time for the race is 10:00 a.m.

14.3 Mr. Ortiz talked about a new exhibit at Imagination Station. With the help of a few employees the exhibit was installed last week and is now available for kids to start using.

14.4 Mr. Ortiz talked about the Vail Nordic Center and how hard staff has been working farming snow to provide the best conditions possible with this year's challenges. He reminded the public that there are still great Nordic lessons and a great lunch opportunity please stop by to experience what the Nordic center has to offer.

15. BOARD MEMBER INPUT

15.1 Director Hansen gave a shout out to PSI Plumbing for their help keeping the rodeo rink operating.

15.2 Director Hansen also inquired about the Gore Creek project west of hole 7 that will help to increase aquatic life in the river. Mr. Mike Ortiz shared that there currently are no funds for what is proposed in the master plan. The town will be applying for grants and if any are approved the first project will likely be a stream bank restoration.

15.3 Director Hansen also shared that he has been a part of the art committee for the artwork that will be at Dobson. They had a long day narrowing the selection down to 25 pieces. They were able to select two artists' work, one will be an outside sculpture, and the other piece will be inside in the entrance area. More pieces will need to be selected for the west entrance and the upstairs lobby.

15.4 Director Saalfeld recognized the Nordic staff for their professionalism and how welcoming they always are to all guests. She also acknowledged that she has seen the uptick of social media posts lately especially the posts that Jared Biniecki has been doing about the construction progress at Dobson. She is happy that marketing can do such great things now that they have added another member to their team.

15.5 Director Saalfeld said she spoke to Trey Johnson to inquire about the golf course opening day with our mild winter. Mr. Mike Ortiz answered that as long as the ski resort is open, we will be closed. We also will not have any staff until April to maintain the course.

15.6 Director Rabin shared what a great time her kids had at Schools Out Camp last week. She gave kudos to the staff for always putting on a great camp with awesome choices each day.

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15.7 Director Armour thanked director Hansen for being involved with the art selection for Dobson. He also shared in regard to the Gore Range Master Plan that there currently was no money for that plan and that a request was made for planning dollars in 2026 so that work could start in 2027.

16. 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 before going into executive session.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. 16.1 By motion duly made and seconded by director it was RESOLVED to move into Executive Session for the purpose(s): § 24-6-402(4)(b) and (4)(e), C.R.S. to determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, develop strategy for negotiations, and instruct negotiators regarding the Dobson Arena Operating Agreement with the Town of Vail.

Respectfully Submitted,
April Heredia
Secretary to the Meeting