



THE SPOKES SPEAK - GEARED TO SERVICE

Rotary Club of the North Fork Valley

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Meeting Thursdays at Noon in the Paonia Town Hall

District 5470

Club 1180 - Chartered 12/20/1922

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LAST MEETING: July 15, 2021

President Bliss presided.

Visiting Rotarians: None

Other Guests: John Seipel (Carol's Husband - 2nd visit)
Josh Langille-Hoppe

Key Guest: No key guest

(Annette now has the key).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- We had 50% attendance at the meeting today.
- U. S. Coin proof sets are still available from Sarah. Proceeds will go to the Rotary Foundation.

PROGRAM: Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan for Paonia - Matt Farrar

President Bliss introduced Matt Farrar who joined the meeting via Zoom. Mr. Farrar is with Western Slope Consulting, the lead firm working with the Town of Paonia and the community on a parks, recreation and trails master plan for Paonia. Two additional firms out of Denver are also involved in developing the master plan. A grant from Great Outdoors Colorado is funding the planning effort.

Mr. Farrar outlined numerous ideas and recommendations for updating and enhancing various recreational opportunities around the town. This includes:

- Creating a trail and overlook area at the top of P-hill including a stair climb to the top.
- Enhancing amenities in Town Park, including the stage, playground area, teen center and picnic pavilion. A dog park is also proposed for the east side of the park.
- Building a new skateboard park.
- Enhancing Apple Valley Park and improving access to Jumbo Mountain trail head.
- Enhancing Paonia River Park, including a trail along the river and a crossing connecting to the school.

Area residents are encouraged to submit ideas and comments at the project's web site: <https://paoniamotion.com>.

UPCOMING MEETING PROGRAMS:

Date	Speaker	Program	Member
7/22/21	Scott Morgan	Field Rep. for Colorado Rural Water Assoc.	Ed Bliss
7/29/21		Don and Marsha's	5th Thursday
8/5/21			Betsy Marston
8/12/21	Ariel Steele	Tax Credit Connection	Bob McHugh
8/19/21			Jackie Parks
8/26/21			Kevin Parks
9/2/21	Matt Heyn and Jackie Davis	DCMH	Marsha Grant
9/9/21			Peggy Szvetecz
9/16/21			Greg Thompson
9/23/21			Bain Weinberger
9/30/21			5th Thursday
10/7/21			Sarah Bishop
10/14/21			Pam Bliss
10/21/21			Ed Bliss
10/28/21			Randy Campbell
11/4/21			Annette Choszczyk
11/11/21			John Coombe
11/18/21			Susie Coombe
11/25/21			Thanksgiving
12/2/21			Glen Dahlgren
11/9/21			Marsha Grant
11/16/21			Ulli Lange
11/23/21			Christmas

