
From: Sluis, Tom
Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 3:24 PM
To: Ann Marie Swan
Subject: RE: Meeting Mark tomorrow at 10:30 am

Perfect. He will be in the best position to explain the ins/outs of the situation.

Thanks.



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From: Ann Marie Swan <aswan@durangoherald.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 11:40 AM
To: Sluis, Tom <tom.sluis@durangogov.org>
Subject: Meeting Mark tomorrow at 10:30 am

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Hi,

Just a heads up, our 10 a.m. meeting will be brief tomorrow. Mark has a tight schedule tomorrow and I'll meet him at the Herald at 10:30 am.

He sounds nice. I told him I'm a NOLA native and we chatted a little bit about the motherland.

Thank you. Look forward to seeing you.

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From: Sluis, Tom
Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 8:52 AM
To: action line
Cc: Humphrey, Sara;McClain, Scott
Subject: RE: Boat "launch" ramp

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Hi John!

That would be either Sara Humphrey or Scott McClain. I'll copy them on this email.

Thanks.

Tom



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From: action line <actionline@durangoherald.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 8:49 AM
To: Sluis, Tom <tom.sluis@durangogov.org>
Subject: Fwd: Boat "launch" ramp

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Hi Tom,

Happy Election Day. Got a question about the boat launch at Oxbow. Who would be the best person to ask about this at the City?

Thanks,
John/Action Line
Durango Herald
970-799-6432

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Date: Fri, Nov 3, 2023 at 4:38 PM
Subject: Boat "launch" ramp
To: actionline@durangoherald.com <actionline@durangoherald.com>

Is this a new type of boat "launch". Perhaps inspired by some snow down shenanigans?

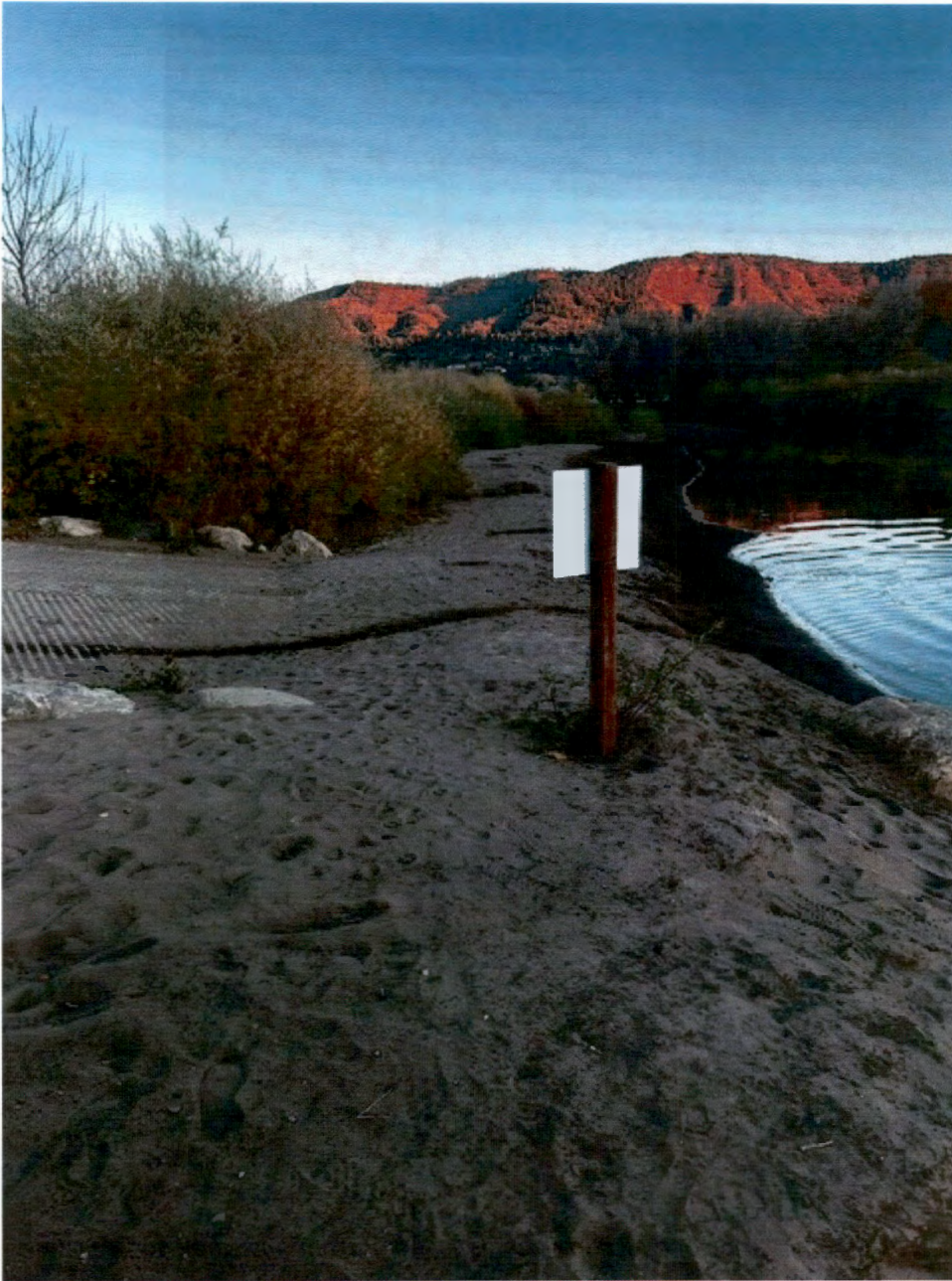
This is located at the new oxbow put in "beach" area north of town. It is alarmingly well used by all walks of life, from sunbathing, fishing, stand up paddle boarding, rafting, drift boating, end of bike path turnaround, reading by the river and so on. The end of the concrete ramp has been buried all summer. I realized the obstacle the sediment produced when I watched a drift boater drive his trailer over the sand berm to retrieve his boat in the water. Then gunning it to get over the berm, high centering the trailer on the berm, and lurching forward with the boat bouncing precariously on the rails of the trailer. This was the first year I have seen the river deposit that much sediment on the ramp, and I figured the city would eventually break out a snowplow to clear a path for boat launching and retrieval. Alas it is now deep into fall and the sand remains. The area is not too crowded anymore and not too many folks are launching boats that I'm aware of. The sign says something along the lines to be respectful of private property. Please see the picture attached where it is engulfed in the runoff. Honestly, it was probably more applicable mid-summer than now.

Thanks for the fun observations and witty comments about our quirky little town!

Cheers,

Frank

A low tide strands all boats.





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From: Sluis, Tom
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 12:51 PM
To: rschafir@durangoherald.com
Subject: Great story

Stritikus is so great with a quote.

[Will the town of Breen be renamed? – The Durango Herald](#)

Nice job!

Tom



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From: Sluis, Tom
Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2023 4:14 PM
To: Shane Benjamin
Cc: Humphrey, Sara;McClain, Scott
Subject: RE: Rec center closure

Shane,

Sounds like a great feature/slice of life. Thanks for the interest. I'll copy Sara and Scott on this. They can help coordinate getting you (and Jerry?) for a story.

Tom



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From: Shane Benjamin <shane@durangoherald.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2023 1:38 PM
To: Sluis, Tom <tom.sluis@durangogov.org>
Subject: Rec center closure

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Hi Tom,
It looks like the rec center is going to be closed next week. I'd like to stop by during the closure to do a sights and sounds type of story about the week-long closure, which occurs every year, if that sounds OK. Maybe on Monday? Are you able to help facilitate this, or should I work with the rec center manager or parks and rec director (if we have one)?
Thanks,
Shane

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From: Sluis, Tom
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2023 2:43 PM
To: cburney@durangoherald.com
Cc: Alvey-Henderson, Luke;Stephanie_moran@hotmail.com
Subject: FW: Press release for library champion
Attachments: Lib Champs PR.docx; M073Box12Fol1No2.jpeg

Christian:

We will be sending a news release on this today, but if you are looking for a(nother) brite, here's something for consideration.

Thanks.

Tom



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From: Alvey-Henderson, Luke <Luke.Alvey-Henderson@durangogov.org>
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2023 2:38 PM
To: Sluis, Tom <tom.sluis@durangogov.org>
Cc: Durango PIO <DurangoPIO@durangogov.org>; Stephanie_moran@hotmail.com
Subject: Press release for library champion

Tom-

Here's a press release for library champion 2023

Can you see if the Herald will run it?



Luke Alvey-Henderson (*he/him/his*)

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The Durango Public Library's Friends of the Library and the Library Advisory Board are pleased to announce that the 2023 Library Community Champion award has been given to the Reading Club of Durango [RCD]. Begun in 1882 and one of Colorado's early federated women's clubs, the RCD founded Durango's original library in 1889: "The Club wrote to Andrew Carnegie to obtain funding for the building in 1907, and donated its own small library of books, furnishings and fixtures to the new library," originally located on Second Avenue across from the current 9-R administration building. Durango's oldest reading club, also sometimes known in prior times as the Ladies Reading Club of Durango, donated its scrapbooks to the Center of Southwest Studies in 2015 in keeping with its mission to guard tradition and flex with contemporary times. In addition to creating our first public library, several members of the Reading Club of Durango were instrumental in protecting what is today Mesa Verde National Park. Again, with history and literacy in mind, "the Club donated \$25 in 1926 to assist in forming a library at Mesa Verde National Park." The Reading Club of Durango has a long and storied past with our town, and we are pleased to name this organization the Library Community Champion of 2023—its 141th year of supporting libraries!

Please join us for the Proclamation by City Council at 5:30 pm Tuesday, October 17 and for a celebration for the Durango Reading Club at our library on Monday, October 30 from 3:00—4:00.



Lawrence Reading Club Washing Birthday Party.

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