

Just a few thoughts on additional improvements in Avon.

The Avon Mayors and Town councils have done an excellent job of improving Avon! We have had a condo on the Top Floor (note. we are in a whole ownership unit not a timeshare) at Lakeside Terrace since 2004 and the improvements have been impressive: 1) Putting in Lake Street; 2) constructing the Pavilion; 3) putting in a new liner for Nottingham Lake, 3) the new Prosperity area with beautiful Bronzes 4) free concerts and on and on...

However, there may be some further improvements that could be made considering Avon's location:

1) As you know, Avon is located on the Eagle River and right next to a fantastic recreational path. Yet from anywhere in Avon, there is no signage to indicated good access points for the Eagle River and recreation path. New signage and better access would help attract more walkers/hikers/bikers and fishermen along with signage that would show them where to park to access these amenities! We used to fish the small creek of Red River in Red River New Mexico. Every week the town would release a big fish from a fish hatchery and if you caught it your picture with the monster trout would be in the local paper! Quite a fun thing to do for a small town! Nottingham Lake and/or the Eagle River in Avon would be perfect places for this!

2) We have tennis and pickle ball courts (thanks for converting some tennis courts to pickle ball courts) but if a tourist is not familiar with these courts they might assume they are owned and managed by the Avon Elementary School. There is no sign on W. Beaver Creek Blvd to indicate that the courts are actually a part of Nottingham Park. It's only when you drive all the way in and see the newer signage. I am sure Avon has a right of way to the tennis courts and the right to use some of the parking spaces there. But you would never know. The Schools parking spaces are not labeled and the Park's spaces are not labeled and no sign on W. Beaver Creek Blvd.

3) Concerts. It's an outdoor Pavilion! Of course there will be people who get the benefit of the music without paying. If the promoters want to see more revenue Avon must provide the following: 1) make the perimeter fencing much wider; 2) Provide signage that indicates where people can park for the event (not just signs that say no event parking here). Make it much more accessible for people to attend. Don't close down Lake Street for a concert. Keep the buses and cars coming in if nothing more than to drop people off and pick people up.

4) Landscaping in Nottingham Park: There are many Cottonwood Trees that have grown so tall and of course every year we get all the cottonwood seeds floating around clogging window screens etc. Additionally, the evergreen trees are now so abundant and thick and tall that it is hard to even tell if there is a Nottingham Lake or Pavilion! These trees need to be thinned out. The Park would look so much better and bigger if this were done!

5) Yes, buy the old barn and relocate it to the Park for wedding venues and charge a fee for its use to cover some of the costs. It could also be used for a Farmers Market in the summer. Don't try to put an ice rink inside it. Keep the ice rink outside and just for recreational use; 6). A possible purpose for the old Fire Station. Use it for Avon employee housing as a benefit that Avon could give some of its employees and help create a sense of loyalty.

So in conclusion, Avon just keeps getting better!

Thank you for your service and selfless dedication.

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