



Archuleta County
Parks, Recreation, Open Space, & Trails Task Force Meeting **Minutes**
Tuesday, July 15, 2014 – 5:00 pm
County Courthouse

I. Call to Order / Roll Call

In attendance: Gwen Taylor, Tom Carosello, Larry Lynch, Karin Daniels, Marcie Ham

Absent: Mat deGraaf

II. Commissioner Update

A. 2014 PROST budget status

From Nov 15, 2013 PROST presentation to the BoCC: There was approximately \$339K (not taking into account the ~\$42K in items IIA1 and IIA2 below) of unallocated 1A money that is intended for parks, recreation, open space and trails projects, with an additional \$213K allocated for the Town To Lakes trail.

Current and anticipated expenses

1. Picnic pavilion at Cloman Park: \$20K of 1A funds allocated. This will be built in July/August 2014. Prefabricated structure has been ordered. Don Ford will construct it.
2. Bathrooms at Cloman Park: ~\$45K. County will pursue a GOCO mini-grant due August 27, 2014. Mini-grant will request \$22K with 50+% matching funds from 1A. Grant decision made December 9, 2014.

III. Project Presentations

A. Skater's Coalition for Concrete – Mike Musgrove

See application. Requesting \$25,367 from 1A funds (17% of \$153,417 total project cost).

Conservation Trust funds? **Mr. Musgrove affirmed that \$18,360 from the Springs Resort and \$1500 from SCC events was secured in an account, and that the Town of Pagosa Springs has committed \$17K (with an additional up to \$15K for a 10% contingency) for this project. The plan is to have the Town of P.S. submit a GOCO grant for the August 27, 2014 deadline for a project total of \$153,417.48.**

The PROST task force discussed possible use of the county's Conservation Trust funds perhaps in addition to 1A funds to meet the \$25,367 requested amount. Larry Lynch made a motion to approve recommending the full requested amount of \$25,367 to assist with the GOCO grant match to complete phase 2 of the Pagosa Springs skatepark. Marcie Ham seconded the motion which then passed unanimously. Gwen Taylor will present the recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners at their next regular meeting on August 5, 2014. If approved, the BoCC will need to determine the best apportionment of 1A and Conservation Trust funds to attain the awarded amount.

IV. New Business / Public Comment

- A. Conduct countywide survey to determine parks and recreation priorities? Split cost with Town? It was agreed that a survey would be useful since the last one was in 2006, but should wait until perhaps early 2015. In the meantime, it will be important to establish the goals of such a survey and more clearly define the county's long-term vision for parks and recreation in accordance with the 2007 Archuleta County Regional Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails Master Plan prepared by Greenways, Inc.
- B. Need 7 letters of support for August GOCO mini-grant for Cloman bathrooms. Identify appropriate groups/entities. PROST, Trails Council, Pagosa Disc Golf Club, Wheel Club, other? Also can ask San Juan Outdoor Club, Step Outdoors, GECKO, PLPOA, Scott Anderson (high school cross-country coach), JD Kurz (high school science teacher), Pagosa Nordic Club. PROST members will be responsible for requesting letters as follows:

Gwen Taylor:

- PROST
- San Juan Outdoor Club (presidents: Mary Ann Durham, 731-4306 and Bill Heller, 731-0792)
- Pagosa Nordic Club (James Dickhoff)

Marcie Ham:

- Scott Anderson – high school cross country coach
- JD Kurz – high school science teacher

Larry Lynch:

- Step Outdoors (Stacy Boone)
- Pagosa Area Trails Council

Karin Daniels:

- Wheel Club
- GECKO

Mat deGraaf:

- Pagosa Disc Golf Club

NB: The BoCC will need to submit a signed Resolution of Support as part of the GOCO mini-grant. Gwen will secure the Resolution.

- C. 2015 Snowman Stomp Snowshoe Romp. This is a snowshoe race for kids and adults. Conducted by Step Outdoors LLC. They have requested to have it at Cloman in Jan/Feb, 2015. Step Outdoors LLC is not requesting any funds for this project. They simply request permission to hold the 4th Annual Romp at Cloman Park in early 2015. Exact dates to be determined by September, 2014.

Karin Daniels made a motion to recommend that the BoCC grant permission to Step Outdoors to use Cloman Park for the 4th annual Snowman Stomp Showshoe Romp in early 2015. Larry Lynch seconded the motion which then passed unanimously.

V. Ongoing Business

A. Cloman trails, signage, tree removal, workdays Discussion of this issue was delayed until the next PROST meeting.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.