

**MEETING OF
PARKS, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE AND TRAILS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
May 20, 2015, 7:00 PM, Town Hall**

Members in attendance: Peter Bottomley (Chair), Sandie Hammerly (Vice Chair), Daryl McCool, Aaron Atwell, Ron Sommer, Cory Ochsner. Quorum Present

Absent: Brent Bickel, Jeff Isaacson (All Excused)

Others in attendance:

Liaison: Trustee, Chris Hanson

Staff: Director, Patrick Hammer

Called to order at 7:08

1. **Review and Discussion** – Identified in the 2015 Budget is \$35,000 in Conservation Trust Funds to be used for minor enhancements to the Town’s existing parks and playgrounds. The Committee discussed several enhancement options and briefly reviewed the priority needs identified in the playground assessment that was completed in 2014 by Committee members Aaron Atwell and Peter Bottomley. The Committee unanimously agreed that allocating the \$35,000 in Conservation Trust Funds for additional shade structures at Community Park and South Pool would be an appropriate use of the funds.

The Committee would like to recommend that the Board consider using \$35,000 in Conservation Trust Funds to purchase and install a shade structure over the South Pool playground that match the existing shade structure, and if funds allow, consider adding shade structures to the playground at Community Park.
2. **Discussion** – Boulder County Open Space and Trail Recommendations. The group reviewed previous recommendations made to Boulder County and agreed that this item will be added to the June meeting agenda.
3. **Discussion** – Davidson Mesa Trail Connection. The Committee discussed in detail a conceptual trail alignment that would potentially connect the Davidson Mesa trail in Louisville to Boulder County Open Space using the new pedestrian underpass at US36 and sections of Marshall Road heading west towards Highway 93. This trail alignment concept was presented in the City Council Communication for the City of Louisville on March 17, 2015. At this time, the Committee does not fully support the proposed trail connection until a suitable/safe crossing over Marshall Road is established. The Committee is planning to visit the pedestrian underpass site prior to the June meeting.
4. **Discussion and Recommendation** – 2016 Budget Recommendations. The Committee began the initial dialog regarding budget recommendations for 2016. Potential budget items that were discussed included adding a large pavilion to Purple Park and exploring options to add adult fitness clusters, teen amenities and

installation of funnel-ball play hoops to existing park locations. The Committee also discussed trail priorities and funding options for 2016. At this time, the Committee is interested in prioritizing trails 1,2,3,4, 6 and 7 from the annual 5-Year Trails Plan as possible projects to build next year and would like to explore using Open Space funds for construction. This item will be discussed further at the June meeting.

5. **Discussion – Indoor Space.** The Committee discussed possible next steps for indoor space and made the following unanimous recommendation:

Should the Board want to consider a ballot measure in 2016 for indoor space, the Committee would like to strongly recommend that the Board finalize a timeline that includes critical decision dates that focus on identifying location, amenities and costs among others.

6. **Updates and Look-Ahead (9:00)**

- a. **School Parcel Concept Design.** The Board reviewed the revised concept plans for the park site on May 11 and provided direction to move forward to the next phase of design.
- b. **Way-finding Signage.** With additional trails planned along US36 and within the Superior Town Center a need has been identified to add appropriate way-finding signage throughout Town. Staff asked if PROSTAC would be willing to participate in the process of determining sign locations – PROSTAC is willing to participate when needed.
- c. **Hodgson-Harris Reservoir.** Staff has had preliminary discussions with Boulder County regarding a potential celebration recognizing the work that went into the Hodgson-Harris Reservoir – staff will continue to work on this item and report back to the group.

7. **Adjourn (9:15)**

Next Meeting:

*Next Regular Meeting – Wednesday, June 17, 2015, 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall
(PROSTAC meets on the third Wednesday of the month.)*