

**MEETING OF
PARKS, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE AND TRAILS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
June 17, 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

Prior to this meeting several members of the Committee visited the Davidson Mesa Underpass site on Marshall Road to view the alignment of the proposed trail.

Call Meeting to Order (7:15p.m.)

1. Discussion and Recommendation - 2016 Budget Recommendations.

PROSTAC would like to recommend the Board consider including the following expenditures as part of the 2016 Budget process:

- a. The 2016 Projected Budget identifies \$35,000 in Conservation Trust Fund (CTF) revenue to be spent on "Park Projects". PROSTAC recommends that the 2016 CTF funds be allocated towards park improvement projects that include outdoor fitness equipment at Community Park, Pirate Park and Purple Park.
- b. The 2016 Projected Budget also identifies \$200,000 from the Open Space sales tax to be spent on "Trail Improvements". Both OSAC and PROSTAC are tasked with reviewing and recommending a schedule of trail projects. PROSTAC recommends that the following projects identified in the 2015 5-Year Trails Plan be budgeted for completion in 2016:
 - Coyote Ridge trail maintenance and improvements (\$46,800)
 - Fire Station Park west toward and along McCaslin; add a connection from Fire Station Park to S. Indiana (\$52,900)
 - Install combination hard/soft trail north of Shamrock Drive, east of 88th with wildlife viewing area for Hodgson-Harris Reservoir (\$5,600)
 - Richmond access: connection from sidewalk along Coalton to hard surface trail near Richmond property (\$7,800)
 - Install soft trail parallel to McCaslin from water treatment plant entrance to High Plains Drive (\$57,000)
 - Extend soft-surface trail connection along west side of McCaslin to Rock Creek Neighborhood trail connection by Key building (\$29,900)

As outlined in Resolution #R-13, Series 2004 the priorities for expenditure of the Open Space sales tax funds include the costs associated with the construction of soft trails on natural open space and developed open space trails. PROSTAC believes that the above trail projects fall within those guidelines.

- c. PROSTAC would like to make a special Capital Improvement Project request of \$100,000 from the General Fund to construct a new, additional pavilion in Purple Park. The proposed pavilion is 30' x 30' and will be located east of Pitkin Avenue between the parking lot and sand volleyball court.
2. Discussion and Recommendation – Annual Boulder County Open Space and Trail Recommendations. The Committee reviewed the various properties and projects submitted by the Town over past years, and several new trail projects. This year's PROSTAC Work Plan specifies that the 2015 recommendation to Boulder County will be coordinated with OSAC. The Committee would like to discuss the following list with the members of OSAC:
 - a. Open Space
 - i. Level Three
 - ii. Zaharias
 - iii. Bolejack
 - b. Trails
 - i. A safe transition at US 36 Underpass at Davidson Mesa across Marshall Road with a trail connection to the larger regional trail system. The Crossing should provide safe crossing considering the high speed of vehicle traffic traveling on the Marshall Road.
 - ii. Trail connection added to Meadowlark Trail at its western-most point to link with Coalton Trail to the south - PROSTAC
 - iii. Trail connection from Shan-Shan property south to existing Meadowlark Trail - OSAC
 - iv. Improve surface and safety of Coalton Trail to a standard consistent with Meadowlark Trail.
 - v. Link between Singletree Trail and Coal Creek Regional Trail.
 - vi. Coalton Trail South to Hwy 128 and west to 66th Street.
 - vii. Add access to the Meadowlark Trail off McCaslin Blvd. between High Plains Dr. and Christenson Ave.
3. **Discussion** - Dog Park. Town staff recently received a request to consider sectioning off a portion of the Autrey Park – Dog Park to be used by small dogs only. The group briefly discussed this request and decided that there is not enough interest in adding a small dog park at this time to consider making a change.
4. **Updates and Look-Ahead**
 - A. Indoor Space - The Board reviewed three indoor space locations/costs on June 8, and will review these options again during the meeting of June 22.
 - B. Hodgson-Harris Reservoir - Potential celebration involving Boulder County to recognize the work done at Hodgson-Harris Reservoir. Boulder County is interested in partnering on the celebration; County Commissioners are available this summer Tuesdays through Thursdays.
 - C. Bike to Work Day - June 24 is Bike to Work Day and the Town has partnered with Whole Foods to host a breakfast station from 6:30 – 9:00 am
 - D. July 4 Festivities - The annual Superior Downhill Mile as well as the parade and pancake breakfast is on Saturday, July 4. The race begins at 7:00 am with the parade starting at 8:30 am and the pancake breakfast running from 9 am - 12 pm. Volunteers are needed to work the PROSTAC booth at the pancake breakfast.

5. Adjourn **(9:00)**

Next Meeting:

*Next Regular Meeting – Wednesday, July 15, 2015, 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall
PROSTAC meets on the third Wednesday of the month.*