

**PROST Task Force**  
**Executive Session Meeting Summary**  
**August 10, 2009, 6pm**

Attending Members

- ✓ Michael Whiting
- ✓ Doug Call
- ✓ Gwen Taylor
- ✓ Jim Shaffer
- ✓ Beverly Compton
- ✓ Karin Kohake
- ✓ Tom Carosello
- ✓ Larry Lynch
- ✓ Mat deGraaf

The following projects were presented and discussed in executive session on Monday, August 10, 2009. Below is a summary of the recommendations the PROST Task Force will be sending to the BoCC.

**Additional funding for the Ball Field Repair Project**

- Mark DeVoti, Superintendent of the school district, presented his request for additional funding for the fence repairs for Ball Fields 3 and 4.
- The original request and scope of work was to repair fields 1 and 2 based upon a proper request for bids. The contract was awarded to Brothers Fence Company in the amount of \$22,756.00. **The BoCC agreed to pay \$23,000 to the school district to cover this.**
- The Task Force asked Jim Shaffer to produce a bid letter from Brothers Fence outlined the scope of the project and the cost. The TF felt that this project should be a “change order” instead of going back out to bid. Jim did supply the letter.
- Since the PROST Task Force meeting, the school district presented the County with an invoice in the amount of \$28,896 which includes: \$22,756 for fence repair for fields 1 and 2, \$5982 for fence repair of field 3 and \$158 for horse fence patch. **The BoCC has agreed to pay \$23,000 toward this invoice.**

- The bid letter is stating the work to be done includes \$5982 for repair and replacement of field 3 fencing and \$15,386 for the removal and replacement of field 4 fencing. The total amount the school district is asking for is \$21,368.
  - When presented to the Commissioners at agenda review for the August 18<sup>th</sup> meeting, their questions and concerns were: 1.) It appears the work on Field 3 has already been done so is the school district asking for reimbursement under the assumption that the County would cover it? 2.) Why is the cost for Field 4 disproportionately so much higher? 3.) Are the repairs that have already been done on field 3 going to be re-repaired?

The school district has responded to the questions listed above. On August 21<sup>st</sup>, Jim Shaffer wrote: "the school district feels that if we can repair all the fields at the athletic complex for less than the original \$46,000 that was initially allocated it would be very beneficial to do so."

The \$158 for the horse fence patch is to be paid for by the school district. This work was done on some fencing around the football field.

The work on field 3 has already been done (\$5982). The school district did not assume that the county would cover it. We would like the County to cover it but we are prepared to pay for it if the County elects not to. The work on field 3 is completed. It is not going to be re-repaired.

Field 4 is more expensive (\$15,386) because it is a regulation size baseball field, not a softball field. There is a lot more backstop area to repair and a lot more fence to replace."

- The Commissioners wanted more information regarding this project; therefore, it was taken off the proposed agenda for August 18<sup>th</sup>. It can be resubmitted for the BoCC meeting for September 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Mural on Main Street Project**

- The Pagosa Springs Arts Council presented the Mural on Main Street Project. They provided a formal and professional presentation with extensive information. They did complete the requested Project Summary Sheet and provided a budget; visuals design information and financial information.
- The Task Force discussed the viability of this project and how it fits within the Master Plan. Unanimous agreement was made in support of this project.
- *The Task Force will recommend to the BoCC that the "Mural on Main Street Project" be funded in the amount of \$8000 for the provision of capital purchases (benches, bricks, etc.) toward the development of this park.* This will be presented to the BoCC at the meeting on September 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **Electrical Service for Town Park**

- Mary Jo Coulehan from the Chamber and David Mitchem from the Town presented this project for the second time. The request was to supply electrical service in the town park with a budgeted amount of \$11, 3391.81. These costs include \$7948.81 from LPEA, \$3391.00 from Higby Electric and \$2000.00 of in-kind donation work from the TOPS.
- The presenters provided a map, a revised project summary sheet, a revised budget and a commitment from the TOPS to do the trenching.
- After discussion, the Task Force came to a unanimous opinion. *The Task Force does not recommend the funding of this project* based upon the following reasons:
  - While the Task Force fully supports park infrastructure improvements, it was felt that this request did not fall into the parameters of the Master Plan.
  - With the proposed addition of the skate park on that property and some pressure to make this decision quickly because of upcoming events and threats to pull these events, the timing of this project also did not seem appropriate.
  - It was also discussed that the benefit of this project is more directed to events, tourists and visitors and that requests for funding would be more appropriately directed to the CTC or the TTC.

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