

PROST Task Force Minutes – May 11, 2009

Attending Members

- ✓ Michael Whiting
- ✓ Mat deGraaf
- ✓ Larry Lynch
- ✓ Doug Call
- ✓ Gwen Taylor
- ✓ Jim Schaffer
- ✓ Karin Kohake

April minutes modified – PROST moves to recommend that the monetary amount recommended to PLPOA is not contingent upon PLPOA applying for the state trails grant by the fall deadline.

April minutes approved.

Balance Statement

\$484,000 1A Funds

- \$ 47,000 Trails Planning Grant
- \$ 50,000 Skate Park
- \$ 60,000 Small Grants Fund Allocation
- \$327,000 Remaining as of 4/13/2009
- \$ 46,000 Commitment for Ball Field Repair
- \$281,000 Remaining as of 5/11/09**

BoCC Report

- BoCC wants PROST to focus on Trails (i.e. town to lakes)
- Cloman is not a high priority
- Town to Lakes Trail is #1 priority
- Small Grants cap is \$8000.00 per project
- Tom Carosello and Karin Kohake are now voting members of the PROST task force...welcome.
- PROST now has the authority to move into executive session to discuss projects and issues
 - Save Pinon Fountain was funded \$500.00 by the BoCC (small grants fund)
 - Winter Trails project (Pagosa Nordic Club) was funded by the BoCC contingent upon a marketing plan (50% now, 50% later) (small grants fund)
 - Ball Fields Rehab was funded by the BoCC at \$46,000 contingent upon a new bid.

Pagosa Quality Fishing Project: Presentation by Thaddeus Cano

- 31,000 hunting and fishing licenses were sold in Archuleta County last year (2008) = a 12% increase from 2007.
- Total impact of over \$19 million = average daily expenditure of \$225 / day.
- Seeking \$18,500 to aid in stocking the San Juan River.
- The \$ would be used for FISH ONLY
- PQFP has already requested \$1300 from TTC and \$3600 from CTC.
- The task force voted unanimously to not recommend the funding for this project because it does not comply with the Parks, Recreation, Open space and Trails Master Plan.

Lower Blanco River Restoration Project: Presentation by Dave McDonough

- All public access points will be marked/posted/signed
- Currently has \$300,000+
- Seeking \$10,000 from 1A funds
- There are 3 campgrounds on the waterway as well as 2 Forest service access points
- DOW will stock the completed sections with fish
- The task force voted unanimously to not recommend the funding for this project because it does not comply with the Parks, Recreation, Open space and Trails Master Plan.

Other Business/Updates

- Town to Lakes trail is the highest priority for the task force – finalizing the last property easements are the big issue.
- Regional Park Access (Cloman) – Legally, the area can not be open to the public. PROST is placing Cloman on the back burner

Joint Recreational Capital Improvement Fund (JRCIF)

- Is no longer in existence. This fund help pay for the Master Plan.
- Like the recycling triangle, the Town, the School, and the County share responsibility for certain improvements.

PROST adjourns

Michael opens executive session

Michael closes executive session.

General meeting is re-opened to public audience.

PROST moves to recommend that the BoCC NOT allot money from 1A funds for both the PQFP and the Lower Blanco Restoration Project. Though they are both wonderful projects, neither are compatible with the PROST Master Plan as set before the task force.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm

Next meeting is June 8th at 6:00 pm.