

**The Town of Edgewood
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Town of Edgewood Community Center
6:30 pm, Thursday, January 22, 2009

Minutes

Members: Loretta Olson, Paul McClure, Christian Meuli, Linda Hill
Parks & Recreation Department Program Manager: Roger Holden

- 1) **Call to Order:** *Chris called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm*
- 2) **Public Comment:** *None*
- 3) **Approve Agenda: January 22 Meeting:** *Approved with the following changes:*
 - A. *Delete 7a - Fields representatives not present.*
 - B. *Move 7d - Wildlife passage to 7a.*
- 4) **Approve Minutes: September 25, 2008 Minutes (No quorum at Oct 23, Nov 20 or Dec 18 meetings):** *approved*
- 5) **Acknowledge Letter of Resignation from Committee member:** *Done*
- 6) **Acknowledge and Swearing-in of new member and alternates:** *Tabled until Mayor decides.*
 - a) *Review committee member terms of office.*
Roger will recommend to the Mayor to have Beth's replacement be appointed for 3 years, 4 month.
- 7) **Old Business, Reports:**
 - a) **Wildlife Safe Passage:**
BLM 80 Acres south of Section 32, in Torrance County:
Fencing for the Juan Tomas underpass was to start in January but with budget cuts, no new time frame has been decide. This area has one of the highest wildlife deaths in the state. The path needs to be people and animal friendly.
 - (1) **Approve to recommend to Council** town annex and retain as open space: **Paul made a motion to approve to recommend to Council, Loretta seconded; motion passed.**
 - b) **Trails:**
 - i) Hwy 66/333 park bench & hitching post donations: **High Desert Riders and ReMax will each donate a hitching post. Liberty Development will donate funds for a bench**
 - ii) East Mountain Regional Trails Council:
 - (1) January 13, 9:30 AM meeting results
 - (2) Results of meeting with legislators
 - (3) Next Meeting of the EMRTC; **March 24, 9:30 am**, Sandia Ranger Station, Tijeras
 - (4) **Approve to recommend to Council**, Parks and Recreation Program Manager perform in-kind work for EMRTC Project. Approximately 8-10 hours per month. **Loretta made a motion to approve to recommend to Council; Linda seconded; motion passed.**
 - c) **Open Space:**
 - i) Open Space and Trails Ordinance; review version 12-18-08.
 - (1) **Approve to recommend to Council**, version 12-18-08 of the Open Space and Trails Ordinance.
 - ii) Fence and Gate Policy; review version 12-18-08
 - (1) **Approve to recommend to Council**, version 12-18-08 of the Fence and Gate Policy.

**** Roger asked the Committee to review these two issues and get back with him w/in the month ****
 - iii) COLTPAC 30 Acres:
 - (1) Cooperative Agreement; received from COLTPAC sent to our attorney
 - (a) **Approve to recommend to Council**, approval of Cooperative Agreement and a budget item of \$12,500 for development costs to property. County to provide \$50,000 on reimbursable basis.
Will be done by January '09 over a three year period. Loretta made a motion to approve to recommend to Council; Linda seconded; motion passed
 - iv) Section 34 planning;

- (1) Work Request; survey, grading and drainage plan, access road, parking, fencing
- (2) **Approve to recommend to Council,**
 - (a) Options:
 - (i) Survey and Fence perimeter of 248 acres. Install two 16' metal gates. One at SW corner and one at NW corner of property. ***Linda made a motion to recommend to Council; Loretta seconded; motion passed***
 - (3) Annexation status; Public Hearing to be announced, followed by Council approval and then finalization. Once annexed, town police can enforce ordinance.
 - (4) Nov 22, Clean-Up results
 - (5) PDGA; Professional Disk Golf Association interest in tournament and nets.
 - Paul made a motion to recommend to Council to research a possible disc golf course and hosting a national tournament on Sec. 34; Linda seconded; motion passed***
 - (6) Paintball Course; Los Lunas has a 'Speedball' course that is managed by a contractor which covers expenses. We could build a 'Woodsball' course that would play longer.
 - (7) Ropes Course
 - (8) Rocky Mountain Big Horn Sheep Club; Mountain Man encampment in Spring
- v) Section 32 annexation has been approved by Council. Anticipate finalization 1 Feb, 2009.
 - (1) Windmill Road is a 50' Public Right of Way up to Section 32.
 - (a) Will send letter to Torrance County asking to use as trail.
 - (b) Investigating properties that would serve as parking lot and consider a purchase as necessary.
 - Loretta made a motion to approve to recommend to Council; Linda seconded; motion passed***

8) **Sub-Committees:** *Tabled until new committee members are present.*

- a) Approve new sub committee assignments: _
- b) "Things for Kids to Do", Sub-Committees
 - i) Teens; Report
 - (1) Kick off party Dec 19
 - ii) Edgewood After-School Youth (EASY) Program; report
- c) POST report
- d) COLTPAC;
 - i) Review agreement
 - ii) Review and modify plan
 - iii) Create Plan of Action

9) **New Business:**

- a) Caverns; **Approve to recommend to Council,** that the Program Manager develop a plan and estimated cost to identify nearest to surface access points on town owned and leased property. The Program Manager will present findings to council. There will be no expenses other than Managers labor.
 - Loretta made a motion to approve to recommend to Council; Paul seconded; motion passed.***
 - i) The caverns are a nature resource that may be used for tourism, education, recreation, conservation and exploration.
 - ii) Town may consider sub-leasing access to Private Corporation or individual.
 - Loretta made a motion to approve to recommend to Council; Paul seconded; motion passed.***
- b) **Approve to recommend to Council,** amending Ordinance 2007-14 to add two alternates to the Advisory Committee.
 - Paul made a motion to approve to recommend to Council; Linda seconded; motion passed.***

10) **Events:**

- a) COW Awards; Feb 20
 - i) Steve Stucker to host
 - ii) Nominations to town or Chamber by Feb 5th.
- b) Green Energy & Kite Festival; May 2 & 3.
 - i) Disc Golf Course
 - ii) Fire Engine demo

- iii) Albuquerque Astronomical Society telescopes to view the sun and the moon.
 - c) Town's Tenth Anniversary; July 4th on Section 16 Athletic Field.
 - d) SASS End of Trail, trail ride. San Pedro BLM to Founders Ranch - ***Possibly on June 7th***.
- 11) Public Comment:** None
- 12) Next Advisory Committee Meeting; February 26, 2009, 6:30 PM, Edgewood Community Center.**

Paul made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm; Linda seconded; motion passed.

Respectfully submitted:

Loretta Olson, Secretary

Chris Meuli, Co-Chairman