



County of Los Alamos

BCC Meeting Minutes

Parks and Recreation Board

1000 Central Avenue
Los Alamos, NM 87544

*Melanee Hand, Chair; Paul Cook, Vice Chair; Stephanie Nakhleh, and John Russell,
Members*

Thursday, January 12, 2017

5:30 PM

1000 Central Avenue
Room 110

1. CALL TO ORDER

Present 3 - Member Russell, Member Nakhleh and Member Hand

Absent 1 - Member Cook

2. STAFF AND OTHER ATTENDEES

Charlie Kalogeros-Chattan, Community Services Department Director
Chris Wilson, Parks, Recreation and Open Space Division Manager
Linda Lindstrom, Office Manager
Jeff Humpton, Parks Superintendent

Other Attendees:

Erik Loechell
Ekaterina Davydenko

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

4. BUSINESS

- A. [8945-17](#) Approval of Minutes from December 8, 2016 meeting

Presenters: Melanee Hand

Attachments: [A - Minutes: December 8, 2016](#)

A motion was made by Member Russell, seconded by Member Nakhleh that the Minutes be approved as presented. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 3-0.

I move that the Board approve the attached Minutes.

B. 8958-17 Election of Officers

Presenters: Melanee Hand

Member Russell nominated Member Hand as Chair, seconded by Member Nakhleh.

Member Hand accepted the nomination.

The motion passed by a 3-0 vote.

Member Russell nominated Member Cook as Vice Chair, seconded by Member Nakhleh.

The motion passed by a 3-0 vote.

I move that the Board approve the following nominations for Chair and Vice Chair.

C. 8959-17 FY18 Draft Work Plan

Presenters: Melanee Hand

Board Members discussed and reviewed the 2018 Draft Work Plan. The Board decided to continue to review the Work Plan and return any additional comments or recommended changes by January 26, 2017.

D. 8960-17 Subcommittee Reevaluations

Presenters: Melanee Hand

The Board discussed the importance of keeping communication open between the subcommittee boards and PRB meetings, which includes reaching out to the community to increase attendance and participation at PRB meetings.

Chris Wilson recommended that the Board retain the present subcommittees so the subcommittees can remain active and useful during the Bond process and/or future CIP initiatives.

Board agreed not to take a motion or reevaluate subcommittees at this time, but to further clarify in the 2018 Draft Work Plan at the next meeting.

E. 8961-17 Draft 2017 Calendar for PRB Board Meetings

Presenters: Melanee Hand

Attachments: [2017 PRB Meeting Calendar](#)

A motion was made by Member Nakhleh and seconded by Member Russell to accept the Parks & Recreation Board Calendar for the 2017 fiscal year. The motion passed by a 3-0 vote.

I move that the Board approve the attached FY2017 PRB Calendar.

F. 8962-17 Main Gate Park Camping

Presenters: Christopher Wilson

Attachments: [Main Gate Park.pdf](#)

Parks Superintendent Jeff Humpton presented two drawings for future RV camping spots at Main Gate Park, including the possibility of a self-pay kiosk. The Board supported moving forward with next steps for the 7 space RV option.

5. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**A. [8949-17](#) Chairman's Report**

Presenters: Melanee Hand

Member Hand provided the Chairman's report with the following updates:

- December 20, 2017: County Council voted on the Bond Projects.
- The importance of educating the public on the funding for these projects.
- Council's request for the PRB to continue to explore options with the tennis courts.
- January 11, 2017: County Councilor O'Leary and Chrobocinski met with community members to discuss strategies of moving forward with the 2017 Bond Projects, which included a discussion regarding the 2nd sheet of ice as part of the new recreation center. Included were groups that have an interest in alternate uses for the new recreation center's ice arena space when it is not programmed with ice during the other 6 months of the year.

B. [8950-17](#) Recreation Program Report

Presenters: Christopher Wilson

Attachments: [Recreation Report](#)

Chris Wilson provided the Recreation Report in the packet and mentioned that the Open Space Report was now included as part of the Parks Report.

C. 8951-17 Parks and Open Space Program Report

Presenters: Christopher Wilson

Attachments: [Parks & Open Space Report](#)

Jeff Humpton updated the Board on projects that include: Main Gate Park, Barranca Mesa, and at the Disc Golf Course at Pinon Park in White Rock.

D. 8952-17 Open Space Advisory Subcommittee Report

Presenters: Stephanie Nakhleh

Member Nakhleh gave an update to the Board on the following items:

- Eric Peterson is continuing to meet with stakeholders regarding the flow trail.
- The big picture is a bikeable route from the top of the ski hill to the Y in White Rock.
- Per County Councilor David Israelevitz: It's important to note that the \$50k that Council has earmarked for this project is just for information collecting and evaluation, it is not a guarantee the project will happen, and it's not this project's final budget.
- The Canyon Restoration project is part of the 2017 Work Plan. The subcommittee is in discussion over strategies for selecting a canyon.
- Funding and grants for project resources. The February OSSC meeting is planned to be a working meeting.

E. 8953-17 Ice Rink & Recreation Advisory Subcommittee Report

Presenters: Paul Cook

Member Cook was absent. Chris Wilson provided an update on the Ice Rink as part of this report. He mentioned the following:

- Ice Rink and Recreation Advisory Subcommittee still have two openings on its subcommittee.
- Free skating has been busy.
- The first adult tournaments are coming in this weekend.
- The High School Hockey team has been playing well.
- The ice is holding up and everyone is enjoying the ice rink.

F. 8954-17 Golf Course Advisory Subcommittee Report

Presenters: Christopher Wilson

Chris Wilson mentioned he attended the subcommittee meeting which included a thorough review of the assumption of costs by the consultant and how it was drafted. The subcommittee voted to support the cost and felt comfortable with it. They will be meeting with the tournament groups and Cottonwood on the Greens over the winter to discuss a more seamless and affordable process.

G. 8955-17 Aquatic Center Advisory Subcommittee Report

Presenters: Christopher Wilson

Chris Wilson provided the report on behalf of Dee McCoy who was absent.

H. 8956-17 Council Liaison Report

Presenters: James T. Chrobocinski

Councilor Chrobocinski was not present. No report was provided.

6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. 8957-17 Action Items for Next Month

Presenters: Melanee Hand

- Confirm present subcommittees and re-evaluate assignments.
- Adopt the FY18 Draft Work Plan.

PREVIEW OF NEXT MEETING - February 9, 2017**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Member Nakhleh and seconded by Member Russell that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed by a 3-0 vote.

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