

Parks and Recreation Board (PRB)

James Wernicke, Chair

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where discoveries are made

PRB FY24 Activities & Accomplishments

- Annual review of PRB subcommittee charters
 - Focused PRB subcommittees on areas of their charters that support the Community Services Department CIP and other initiatives.
- Supported several public meetings and initiatives:
 - Community feedback and support for the North Mesa Shared Gym
 - Community feedback and support for the Integrated Master Plan
 - Ice rink temporary chiller and permanent chiller updates
 - Discussion and community feedback on underutilized parks
 - Golf course improvement project
 - Discussion and recommendation of temporary fee reductions at the Golf course
 - Pickleball Presentation
 - Bailing Twine Presentations
- Jerry Cowan and Brian Watkins were appointed to the Parks & Recreation Board in 2023

PRB FY24 Activities & Accomplishments

- The Parks & Recreation Board appointed the following members to subcommittees during the year;
 - Lisa Brackbill / Open Space Advisory Subcommittee
 - Nancy Ambrosiano / Equine & Livestock Advisory Subcommittee
- Council approved the Golf Course Improvement Project, with a budget of \$13 million dollars.
- Support and participate in the Community Services Department community outreach and advocacy by staff and the Chair.
 - Ice Rink Cleanup
 - Los Alamos County Trail Cleanup
 - Bailing Twine presentation

Top 3 Priorities in 2024

- Provide support in implementing the Community Services Department Integrated Master Plan, ADA Audit and Transition Plan.
- Support the Department's efforts in updating County-wide Trails and Open Space Management Plan.
- Assist County Council and the Department with reaching the strategic objectives of Environmental Stewardship and Quality of Life as identified in the 2023 Integrated Master Plan.

■ Potential Challenges

- Project delays and increasing cost due to labor shortages, difficult bidding environment, and shipping delays
- Staying focused on the execution of the Integrated Master Plan
- Gathering key stakeholders for project scoping
- Support plans to modify facilities to require less maintenance, such as artificial turf on some of the playing fields.

Ways Council can help

- Continue to support the execution of the Integrated Master Plan
- Be flexible and open to the increasing construction cost
- Continue ensuring the divisions is adequately resourced to meet the improvements of the aging infrastructure

