

**MINUTES OF THE
SANTA FÉ COUNTY
COUNTY OPEN LAND TRAILS AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(COLTPAC)
September 5, 2018**

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Santa Fé County Open Land, Trails and Parks Advisory Committee (COLTPAC) was called to order on the above date at approximately 6:00 p.m. by Chair Dave Dannenberg in the Projects, Facilities and Open Space Conference Room, 901 West Alameda St., Suite 20C, Santa Fé, New Mexico.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call indicated the presence of a quorum as follows:

Members Present

Dave Dannenberg, Chair
John Parker, Vice Chair
Greg Betts
Rubén Cedeño
Sandra Madrid Massengill [telephonically]
Sue Murphy
Ernesto Ortega
Jean Pike
Linda Siegel [arriving later]

Members Absent/Excused

Staff Members Present

Maria Lohmann, Open Space and Trails Planner
Paul Olafson, Planning Projects Manager

Others Present

Carl Boaz, Stenographer

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3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Member Murphy moved to approve the agenda as presented. Member Ortega seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote. Member Siegel was not present for the vote.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - July 11, 2018

Member Ortega moved to approve the minutes of July 11, 2018 as presented. Member Betts seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

Member Siegel was not present.

5. MATTERS OF PUBLIC CONCERN - None

Member Cedeño said the SOB's (Seniors on Bikes) reported the tunnel under 599 flooded out. The lights are out for the three tunnels under I-25 coming out on Beckner. One rider almost crashed with all the debris there.

Member Siegel arrived at 6:04.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. COLTPAC Direction in 2019

Chair Dannenberg provided a handout to the Committee and went through the bullet points on it, all of which he thought would be in the OSTP.

Ms. Lohmann wanted the action steps and 1, 3, and 5-year priorities at this meeting.

Chair Dannenberg suggested 5 principles:

1. How to get everyone fired up and enthusiastic about this work;
2. Unified leadership - someone to drive strategic positions;
3. Organizational focus with realistic expectations on how projects get executed.
4. Impetus to grow - up ticks in capital spending (improvements and acquisitions)
5. Meaningful partnerships which require specialized resources and funding for common goals. something on that.

He asked if COLTPAC is equipped to impact change and if it has the right expertise in this body. He felt COLTPAC's charter is not really aligned.

The Committee agreed its role has evolved from acquisition to advisory, being supportive of Staff as portrayed in the SGMP. And the role includes advocacy for Open Space, working with County Management. Its role is not implementation nor monitoring.

7. MATTERS FROM COUNTY STAFF

A Update and Discussion on OSTP Strategic Plan Objectives, Strategies and Actions

Ms. Lohmann's aim was to get input from the Committee on 1 and 2-year priorities like what was done at the stakeholders' group. She went through the first part quickly since all members have seen it before. The intern helped with graphic formatting. It had the Vision, Mission, and key principles discussed previously. She wanted more help with directives (showing slides as she went). The Core Elements were taken from Colorado - and she made sure they are incorporated into the projects. Then she read

through all the objectives and the eight strategies and explained the activities for each. She identified the year 1 priorities and explained that it would be updated annually. It starts January 1, 2019. Many of the year 1 activities have already been started.

Chair Dannenberg asked that each activity have a statement - "as measured by ...". Member Parker asked that the bullet points be limited to just a few words and no more than five bullet points under each title. Member Betts supported Member Murphy's idea of an executive summary.

Mr. Olafson agreed the executive summary will spell it all out better and it has to explain itself. Annual budget will be tied to the activities and measurement is key.

Ms. Lohmann wanted to wrap it up by September 20. She asked for feedback before then on whether it is complete. She will provide a spreadsheet for comments by email and hard copies. She is seeking final adoption by year end by the BCC after public review period and approval at COLTPAC beforehand.

Ms. Lohmann talked briefly about partnership with the City on the Santa Fe River down to New Mexico 599 with work days to get things done and a 20th anniversary celebration at Romero Park.

B. Update on OSTP Strategic Plan Priorities - Years 1-5

C. OSTP Strategic Plan Timeline

Ms. Lohmann announced September 22 as the first hike in a month of events and October 22 as the start of weekly activities. She spent three days in the Ortiz Mountains last week for a health assessment to determine appropriate treatment for wildlife habitat and fire management. They got good data of the area there.

D. OSTP Project Updates

Staff are working on developing a plan to manage stormwater in Madrid, in the Greenbelt property. In Chimayó, consultants are doing some dry land seeding as part of the Los Potreros restoration project. Staff are working on acquisition of a parcel for a trailhead near the Galisteo Basin Preserve Trails for the Rail Trail project.

Ms. Lohmann is working on a design of the New Mexico Central corridor and walking the line with consultants who recommended improvements. This abandoned rail berm starts at Richards and the berm goes all the way through the county. Consultants are helping to identify cultural constraints, etc. and help with budget estimating. They just finished the field work.

Mr. Olafson said they met with the Greater Santa Fe Recreation Partnership. The Verde Project in the Verde Valley in Arizona is the template design for their work. The

member organizations have identified priority projects to work on and prioritize what to work on first. Ms. Lohmann clarified it is regional, not just Santa Fe County .

Ms. Lohmann announced the Rail Trail has been certified by NMDOT, so we can go out to bid for construction in early spring. Mr. Olafson reported severe damage on the Rail Trail from the recent storm and got crews out there quickly. Little Tesuque was hit three times and needs major work. Dale Ball has areas needing work.

The storm revealed we need emergency response capability for getting people out to organize a triage team to quickly determine what should be closed and fixes for damage. The Committee discussed remediation after a big storm. Trail construction needs to have drainage all the way along to minimize erosion. Much more work must be done about major hazards. Staffing up was done only recently to address damage mitigation.

8. MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE

Member Massengill announced the Santa Fe Conservation Trust is having a legacy dinner on September 15 and some members might like to attend it. She agreed to send Ms. Lohmann a link on it. She also mentioned the Land and Conservation Fund (federal). Santa Fe County has gotten lots of help from them previously.

9. NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, October 3, 2018

10. ADJOURNMENT

Member Murphy moved, seconded by Member Parker to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Geraldine Salazar
GERALDINE SALAZAR
COUNTY CLERK

Approved by:

Ruben S. Cedeno
Dave Dannenberg, Chair

Submitted by:

Carl Boaz
Carl Boaz for Carl G. Boaz, Inc.

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