

Village of Taos Ski Valley Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting June 24, 2025

The acting chair called the meeting to order at 10:08 am by Dan Vaughan (acting chair while the chair was absent on travel). Present were Dan Vaughan and Katherine Kett. The acting chair noted that we did not have a quorum (Ryan Scovil and Janet Ratliff Thomas were unsuccessful making the connection work for the meeting). Also present was Rick Bellis from Village of Taos Ski Valley (VTSV) and Henry Caldwell, VTSV councilor. The acting chair noted that approval of the minutes for the April meeting must wait for a quorum at the next meeting.

The acting chair reviewed the written report submitted by the chair, which is included in the meeting packet posted on the village website. Next the committee discussed the scope and process for the PARC strategic plan development, particularly focusing on how to get input from both residents and visitors. Ideas were offered such as how to expand the survey work which PARC conducted last year—post a QR code on the chamber chalet with a short 3 question survey; post a QR code at the post office with the same survey; send a survey link via email or text message to the residents list; have in person meetings as well as virtual meetings to solicit input. It was noted that Friday is the most popular day for visitors or residents in the ski valley; therefore, it may be a better day for promoting surveys.

It was noted that the number of surveys collected to date is limited-- [the chair reports these numbers from PARC records]: Summer 2024 survey -- 80; December 2024 survey (slightly different questions)—19.

The discussion concluded with a summary of the history of a playground structure in the ski valley, and brief remarks about the value of a park in the ski valley perhaps with a "jungle gym" type structure.

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