



Village of Taos Ski Valley  
Special Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting  
December 13, 2024

The chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and noted that there was a quorum. Present were Ryan Scovil, Dan Vaughan, and Joan Woodard. Present were Rick Bellis, Robert Wooldridge and Marlene Salazar from VTSV. Also present was Loren Bell from Enchanted Circle Trails Association. The chair asked for approval of the minutes from the November 19, 2024. The minutes were approved unanimously.

The chair stated the purpose of this meeting to review the draft Trails+ application for submittal to the New Mexico Trails+ Grant program, and make a decision regarding forwarding it to the Village Council for consideration at the December 20, 2024 Council Meeting. The chair asked Loren Bell, Executive Director of Enchanted Circle Trails Association to provide an overview of the application. Mr. Bell described the purpose of this grant request, the roles and purposes of the proposed matching funds, and the letters of support from various stakeholder organizations. Rick Bellis confirmed the intent for in kind matching funds from the Village. The chair asked the committee members for questions and comments. A question was asked regarding the role of this grant in enhancing access for the surrounding communities. Mr. Bell stated that although that is not the primary purpose of the project, there will be some positive impact on accessibility from the project and the implementation of the resulting plan. Robert Wooldridge stated that there are other elements of Village work such as GIS which could contribute to matching requirements for future grants. The chair made a motion to forward this application to the Village Council for consideration. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the committee. The chair was requested to forward to the Village clerk all documents for this project by Monday December 16, 2024 for inclusion in the Council packet.

Robert Wooldridge gave an overview of the two New Mexico Department of Transportation grant opportunities---the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) and the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). It was noted that bike trails discussed at the November PARC meeting should be considered for the TAP, and the refurbishment of Hiker Parking should be considered for RTP. The chair acknowledged that follow up discussions should take place.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Woodard  
PARC Chair