

August 3, 2007

TO: Genesee Foundation Board of Directors
FROM: Gary McKay
SUBJECT: Vision Committee Report

The Vision Committee met on July 10th, chaired by Anita Livingston (see attached minutes).

Anita and I met on August 2nd to discuss how to proceed with the committee and what we could accomplish this year. Due to the fact that this is a new initiative that has broad, long-range impacts, and the nature of the task, our accomplishments to date have been rather abstract. We hope to achieve some concrete in the near future, but we are cautious of doing the wrong things just to get something done.

Our next meeting is August 14th. At that meeting we will discuss what things we would change to make this a premier mountain community in the aspects that we value. We will also hear a presentation from a resident on becoming a green community.

Genesee Vision Committee

Minutes of Meeting
Tuesday July 10, 2007
6:00 – 8:00 PM
Vista Clubhouse

Attendees:

Committee Members:

Fred Coester
Annette Cole
Chris O'Dell
Jean Dennis
Ann Lenane
Anita Livingston
John Recca
Bruce Strand

Residents Attending:

Scott Jacobs
Galen Knickel
Pat Strand
Warren True
Ann Umphres
Dan Wenzinger

The meeting was called to order by Anita Livingston.

John Recca was thanked for his help the past few meetings with the Marketing and Branding outlook for Genesee in the Visioning Process.

A discussion was held on the revenue generation subject that had been brought in the past few meetings. Anita gave an example of the costs and land needed for a solar plant being built by Xcel Energy near Alamosa. This information was in the July 2007, Xcel Energy Update newsletter enclosed with the month's billings. Xcel is building a \$60 million, 8.2-megawatt solar plant on an 82-acre tract in the San Luis Valley. This plant will generate electricity to power 1,500 homes. As the committee had discussed alternative energy as a possible revenue source through a wind farm or solar panels, this new information allowed for actual costs to be considered. The majority felt revenue generation alternatives should be considered in the Finance Committee rather than the Vision Committee.

Fred Coester gave a presentation on several community and recreation centers that his firm, Sink, Combs, Dethlefs PC is building or has built. He showed drawings and plans of the types of facilities that are included in these centers. He gave some examples of the important aspects that should be considered in a community center: Control (access to building), fitness, gym, aerobics, and aquatics. At this time, climbing walls are very popular. In most of the community centers we were shown, the pool area consisted of a lap pool, leisure pool, lazy river or tot pool, and play features. Fred gave several specifics to be considered in a community center: Opportunities involved with a community center are: Fitness, Classes, Recreation, Socialization, Wellness, Quality of Life. In determining the type of community center needed, goals and programs should be considered; a site review analysis; and the operational goals and issues considered. Many of the recreation centers today have User Fees and Program Fees.

After Fred's presentation, the attendees began a list of the wants and needs for the facilities of Genesee. Those listed were:

Mixed Use Facility – meet all age demographics
Small Town Facility
Larger weight/workout room(s) with views
Indoor Track
Pool heated for 12-month use
Use existing facilities all year
Big Room – perhaps Gym that could be used for meeting room, aerobics,
Social/game room - Used for all ages, teens and children included
Family Rooms – TV, Library, Entry
Picnic Area – Outdoor connection to facility
Kitchen – Fully equipped
Patio/Deck that is conducive to weddings, rentals
Multi-use Pool: Swim Team, Adults, Children
Indoor Pool
Revenue Generation through User Fees, Membership Fees
Lap Pool – 6 to 8 lanes
Tennis Courts
Playground Facilities
Mountain Bike Trail
Trails
Racquetball (this may not be necessary due to small interest as of today)

Facility used as an Administrative Support Location/Complex
Including Maintenance, Water District, Ambulance

Discussion then moved to whether sub-committees should be formed yet, and all agreed we were not ready to split off. Bruce Strand felt Infrastructure, i.e. Roads, Power, Water, Comcast should be a sub-committee of the Vision Committee. Anita brought up the topic of Curb-Appeal and perhaps that should be a separate committee as well. Curb-appeal has been a part of the marketing phase, but perhaps it should be separate for discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Anita Livingston