Multi-Use Facility Committee Meeting

FINAL Minutes

February 1, 2024 10:00 AM

Corrales Village Council Chambers and on Zoom

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 10:05 am

1. Roll Call

Present for today’s meeting were committee members Ed Boles, Barbara Boyd, Sherry Jones, Patricia DeVivi, Rick Snow, Johnny Martinez, and Ken Martinez. Cynthia Nava and John Perea were not in attendance. Also present were Village Clerk Melanie Romero and Assistant Clerk Skye Devivi. There were many community members in the audience and several on Zoom.

1. Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Ed Boles, seconded by Rick Snow, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

1. Approval of minutes from 12/21/23

Pat DeVivi moved to approve the minutes from December 21 and Ed Boles seconded. Motion was carried by a voice vote.

1. Review of Committee Work

Johnny Martinez reviewed the work of the Committee to date:

* Conducted open meetings with significant public input in Council Chambers with Zoom capability to reach those who could not attend in person.
* Conducted two open Public Forums in January, the first was attended by approximately 130 residents, with 30 providing input; the second was attended by approximately 110 to 120 residents, with 19 providing input.
* Developed and delivered an online survey in English and Spanish.
* Reviewed all written and oral public input to date and placed into issue/need categories for concise tallying and analysis.

1. Discussion of future process
   * Sherry Jones had a question about the process of providing the report. We are to present to Village Council on March 12 and the report needs to be given to Melanie Romero by 5:00 pm. On March 7. Ms. Romero clarified that only a preliminary recommendation can be released to the public prior to the committee delivering the report to the Mayor and Village Council on March 7, 2024.
   * Ken Martinez asked the committee to consider extending the committee work by an additional three months to have time to consult with a licensed architect to update the design based upon the feedback from the residents. Johnny Martinez noted that he asked for input on this issue from the Mayor and he is not in favor of an extension. Sherry Jones thought it was important to continue our work if it included working with an architect. Ken Martinez thought the Village Council and Mayor need to weigh in. Ken Martinez made a motion we recommend extending the work of the MUF committee for three months to provide tangible architectural design. Sherry Jones seconded and all voted in favor except Barbara Boyd. Motion carried.
   * Johnny Martinez thought this recommendation should be part of the report we give to the Council and Mayor. Barbara Boyd shared the resolution from the Council states “The committee’s mission will be ‘To complete a plan for the multi-use facility, so that construction documents can be commissioned by Village Administration.’”
   * Ken Martinez asked that our recommendation to the Council include the services of a licensed architect that is not currently affiliated with the Village. He would like to also use the rich resources of talent in the Village to assist with this process, such as retired architects and others with talents that could be used.
   * Johnny Martinez noted we have gathered the wants and needs assessment from residents. We now need input from architects including acoustics and other specialties. Then send this information out to architecture firms to bid on including a virtual rendering of the building.
   * Rick Snow supported providing a needs statement that the Council and Mayor would need to act upon.
   * Ed Boles thought the needs assessment is critical and noted the refined design language in the resolution from Council.
   * Ken Martinez noted our work has been cost effective for the Village to date. We have volunteered and, in some cases, paid for printing out of our personal pockets. Now it is time for the Village to invest.
   * Sherry Jones noted she will preserve the information from the survey including comments and will provide to the Village.
   * Johnny Martinez noted that the YouTube videos of our prior Zoom meetings are still accessible from the Village website, however, the direct link that once existed is missing.

1. Public Comment

Doug Casteel

* Thanked the committee for having the Open Forums
* They have formed a committee and there are good business minds on that committee
* Traffic is still a very high concern. He recommends an independent survey that includes a transparent proforma with scenarios.
* 12,000 cars per day pass Jones Road, 90% of that during the day
* Real issue is Rio Rancho traffic
* Consider 25 MPH on Corrales Road

Johnny Martinez also shared there are four projects coming online that will impact traffic on Corrales Road – Priestly House, Gym, Corrales Elementary going to K-8, and the reopening of the Sandia Bar. Need to see how these projects affect the traffic.

* He noted there is grumbling in the Village about the misspending on the Animal Control building.
* He would like to see an extension of the time to gather survey data.

Sabine Shurter

* Need to consider lighting and noise ordinances
* Outdoor performing space
* Parking and lighting
* Noise ordinance says there is to be no amplified sound. This is currently violated by businesses
* Plan facilities that follow these ordinances

Fred Hashimoto

* He referenced the article in Corrales Comment by Ken Duckert, a member of the ACE committee, where the operating costs would be approximately $350,000 per year.
* Music in Corrales currently pays $2,400 per year to rent the Old Church
* Corrales Elementary will not use the facility as they are building their own
* Adobe Theater, a possible anchor tenant, currently pays $50,000 per year in rent
* Volunteer organizations/nonprofit organizations will not have funding to pay for usage
* The public will be paying for the deficit

Sherry Jones shared it is harder to allow public use of school space due to security concerns. They often have to pay for a custodian and security when the public uses their space. And it is a three-month lead time to use space.

Marty Sanchez

* Thank you for the Open Forums
* Determined she is passionate about the agricultural nature of the Village
* The siphon needs to be fixed for the farmers with current cost estimates of $8M. And this center is estimated at $8M.
* Would put the siphon work ahead of building a community center.

Johnny Martinez thanked those in the audience for the creation of the flyer for the Open Forum and for the yard signs. All paid for out of their pockets.

* Asked if we knew what the Council vote would be if we asked for an extension.

Skye Devivi encouraged those attending to go to the Village Council meetings. Ken Martinez asked those attending to contact their Councilor and to let them know what you think. Share that we need an architect and funding to complete the requirements of the resolution.

Rudy Miera

* Need an architect
* Design needs to include external design such as traffic flow

1. Other business

Johnny Martinez moved to have Ken Martinez chair the meeting on February 15 as Johnny will be out of town on business. Ed Boles seconded and motion was carried by a voice vote.

1. Adjournment – Johnny Martinez moved to adjourn at 11:06. Ken Martinez seconded and it was unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Boyd