

Laurel Strategic Planning Session

April 24th, 2019

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Priorities Identified

- Community Center (16 votes)
- Early Childhood (16 votes)
- Firehall (12 votes)
- Outdoor Recreation (11 votes)
- Community Beautification (11 votes)
- Expand Natural Gas Infrastructure (9 votes)
- Downtown, Sidewalk & Street Infrastructure (8 votes)
- Senior Living Units (7 votes)
- Indoor Recreation/Fitness Center (5 votes)
- More job opportunities for high schoolers (2 votes)
- Senior Center (2 votes)

Priorities with committees already in place and working on their respective priority and action plan include Community Center, Firehall, and Outdoor Recreation.

Additional action items to possibly take by the Outdoor Recreation committee were identified and listed below with Goal #3.

PRIORITY GOAL#1: Early Childhood

Actions
1. Involve current daycare providers
2. Conduct a needs assessment
3. Work closely with the school
4. Involve youth – before/after school activities
5. Explore other communities and learn from some best practices
6.
Who Is Volunteering To Help Move Priority Forward
Jeremy Christensen, Brandy, Karen, Lonita, Diana
Resources
• Last survey
• Funding opportunities
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PRIORITY GOAL#2: Outdoor Recreation

Actions
1. Land acquisition for softball
2. Explore land possibilities for both softball and baseball fields
3.
4.
5.
Who Is Volunteering To Help Move Priority Forward
Summer Recreation Board
Resources
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recent Survey

PRIORITY GOAL#3: Community Beautification

Actions
1. Develop a wish list of what is needed, specifically at Norris Park
2. Utilize youth in Philanthropy Contest to move this goal forward
3.
4.
5.
Who Is Volunteering To Help Move Priority Forward
Local Youth Philanthropy Participants, Vets, School, City through donations
Resources

PRIORITY GOAL#4: Expand Natural Gas Infrastructure to the Community

Actions
1. Raise awareness with providers
2. Research what options community has
3.
4.
5.
Who Is Volunteering To Help Move Priority Forward
Keith and Economic Development Committee
Resources
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Natural Gas Providers

PRIORITY GOAL#5: Senior Housing

Actions
1. Explore and learn from other communities best practices (Osmond)
2.
3.
4.
5.
Who Is Volunteering To Help Move Priority Forward
Keith
Resources
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Osmond, NENEDD