



BLUE RIVER BOARD OF TRUSTEES APRIL 2024

**April 25, 2024 at 5:00 PM
0110 Whispering Pines Circle, Blue River, CO**

MINUTES

The public is welcome to attend the meeting either in person or via Zoom.

The Zoom link is available on the Town website:

<https://townofblueriver.colorado.gov/board-of-trustees>

Please note that seating at Town Hall is limited.

5:00 PM WORK SESSION:

Current and newly elected officials to discuss the transition of Town Government.

Mayor Babich called the work session to order at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor Babich noted the work session is to provide the newly elected officials information on ongoing projects and items they need to be made aware of as they begin their terms of office. Discussion and review of the staff report provided on ongoing projects and processes in place for the Town of Blue River.

Discussion to have Board review the plow contract with the contractor in May.

Decision to leave approval of the Spruce Creek Road project to the current Board.

6:00 PM REGULAR MEETING:

I. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

Mayor Babich called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Toby Babich

Trustee Joel Dixon

Trustee Kelly Finley
Trustee Elect Barrie Stimson
Mayor Elect Nick Decicco
Trustee Elect Jodie Willey
Trustee Ted Pilling
Trustee Ted Slaughter

Excused

Trustee Mark Fossett
Trustee Jonathon Heckman
Trustee Noah Hopkins

Also present: Town Manager Michelle Eddy; Town Attorney Bob Widner; Chief of Police David Close; Deputy Clerk John DeBee.

II. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Trustee Pilling, Seconded by Trustee Slaughter to approve the consent agenda. Voting Yea: Mayor Babich, Trustee Dixon, Trustee Finley, Trustee Pilling, Trustee Slaughter. Motion passed unanimously.

A. Minutes for March 14, 2024

B. Approval of Bills-\$17,494.27

III. COMMUNICATIONS TO TRUSTEES

Citizen Comments (Non-Agenda Items Only- 3-minute limit please). Any written communications are included in the packet.

It was noted no written communications were received.

Dan Cleary-Rustic Terrace thanked both outgoing and incoming elected officials for serving. He remarked on the security window.

Paul Semmer-Blue Grouse thanked the outgoing and incoming elected officials.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

C. Staff Presentation

Trustee Dixon remarked on his term and wished the new Board the best of luck in their service.

Mayor Babich thanked Bob for his assistance and guidance as the Town Attorney. He thanked Chief Close for the development of a professional Police Department and all of the officers. He thanked Town Manager Eddy and Deputy Clerk DeBee for their work and dedication. He thanked all of the Trustees who have served. He thanked the community for the opportunity to serve.

The Town Manager, Deputy Clerk, and Chief of Police presented the outgoing Board of Trustees with plaques and thank you gifts for their service to the Town of Blue River.

D. Swearing In of New Board of Trustees

Town Manager/Clerk Eddy conducted the oath of office for the newly elected officials: Mayor Nick Decicco; Trustee Barrie Stimson; and Trustee Jodie Willey. It was noted Trustee Jonathon Heckman will be sworn in on May 9th.

E. Spruce Creek Road Bid Package and Timeline Approval

Engineers from Muller Engineering provided an overview of the design option that was approved at the March 14, 2024, meeting. Included in the packet was the bid the packet to send the project out to bid with plans to award the bid June for work in July/August. The project and timeline for bidding and work were reviewed. It was noted that traffic control will necessitate diversion from Spruce Creek Road to Crown or through Breckenridge. Signage and working with Google Maps will be necessary to notify visitors. Discussion of the drainage and it proposed for a paved ditch on the upper portion and then graded ditch. The engineers reviewed additional measures for the ditch due to concerns of the length of pipe/culvert that would be necessary.

Discussion of speed humps and reasons it was not included in the plan. Discussion to include it in the bid packet and then it can be determined whether or not it is ultimately included in the project. Discussion of options for review after evaluation of speeds or issues after the project is complete. Suggestion to review the Traffic Calming Policy and potential adding a stop sign at Gold Nugget.

Motion made by Trustee Pilling, Seconded by Trustee Dixon to approve the Spruce Creek Road bid packet. Voting Yea: Mayor Babich, Trustee Dixon, Trustee Finley, Trustee Pilling, Trustee Slaughter. Motion passed unanimously.

F. 2024-2025 Plow Contract

It was asked during the work session to provide the current contract and invite Highland Galloway to the May meeting for review and discussion.

V. REPORTS

G. Mayor

No report

H. Trustee Reports

No reports.

I. Attorney

No report.

J. Staff Report

No additional report was provided.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

K. New Board of Trustees Introduction & Training

Attorney Widner provided a presentation and introduction to town government, the roles and responsibilities of the Board of Trustees. It was noted there will be additional training at the May work session on May 9th.

Additional discussion was made on upcoming items including committees, adding and additional meeting day and potentially moving the meetings back to the original schedule; and passing an ordinance for raises for Board members in the future.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

VIII. ADJOURN

Motion made by Trustee Stimson, Seconded by Trustee Willey to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m. Voting Yea: Trustee Stimson, Mayor Decicco, Trustee Willey, Trustee Pilling, Trustee Slaughter. Motion passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING -

May 9, 2024

Respectfully Submitted:

Michelle Eddy, MMC

Town Clerk

Reports from the Town Manager, Mayor and Trustees; Scheduled Meetings and other matters are topics listed on the Regular Trustees Agenda. If time permits at the work session, the Mayor and Trustees may discuss these items. The Board of Trustees may make a Final Decision on any item listed on the agenda, regardless of whether it is listed as an action item.