



Blue River Open Space & Trails Committee
Tuesday, November 8, 2022
6:00 p.m.
Minutes

The Open Space & Trails Committee meeting was held In-Person and via Zoom.
The public was invited to attend.

Mission Statement

*To assist the Board of Trustees towards the implementation of the Town of Blue River
Open Space and Trails Plan adopted July 19, 2022*

Committee Members attending in Person: Chair Wiley Asher, Co-Chair Paul Semmer, Joe Hamlet, Eric Hann, Bob Rehor and Adrienne Stuckey.

Committee Members attending via Zoom: None

Also in attendance in Person: Board Liaison – Trustee Joel Dixon and Deputy Clerk John DeBee.

Excused: Ben Kadlec, Ron Sosnowski

Absent: None

- I. Call to Order at 6:00 p.m.
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Agenda
 - Co-Chair Semmer requested an addition to the Agenda to discuss his expiring term on the Committee as of December 31, 2022. A Motion was made by Paul Semmer to approve the Agenda with the addition of this item. The motion was seconded by Joe Hamlet. The motion passed unanimously.
- IV. Approval of Minutes from October 2022 meeting.
 - A Motion was made by Paul Semmer to approve the Minutes. This motion was seconded by Eric Hann. The motion passed unanimously.
- V. Open Space & Trail Management Activities
 - Mayor's email dated October 19, 2022: The discussion opened with Trustee Dixon and Co-Chair Semmer informing the Committee about the report to the Trustees at the last Board meeting concerning Committee activity. The discussion then

addressed the email received from the Mayor. Some Committee members believe they are doing what is asked of them. Others believe the email addressed the Committee's need for specific action, a breakdown in communication and clarification on the direction the Committee needs to proceed.

- Easement Negotiations Update: Trustee Dixon provided a summary of the progress being made on the easement being donated to the Town. This included the placement of flagging marking the easement and slash pile clean-up by Trustee Dixon and Co-Chair Semmer. In addition, Trustee Dixon has worked with an adjacent landowner and a contractor to make improvements to the easement the Town already has which will connect with the easement the Town is in the process of formally securing. A formal survey has been ordered by the Town Manager. The Town Attorney and Town Manager are working on the necessary documents to secure a formal easement.
- Draft – Implementation Strategy document dated November 2, 2022: Since the last meeting, Co-Chair Semmer took the original document dated October 2022, revised the format and condensed the content for analysis by the Board of Trustees. The Committee requested this revised document along with a copy of the Mayor's email be provided to the Board of Trustees during Trustee Dixon's report to the Trustees at their November meeting. The Committee would like to schedule a Work Session with the Board to discuss future efforts of the Committee. The conversation then continued requesting Trustee Dixon approach the Board about considering the possibility of beginning a dialogue with the Forest Service, Summit County and the Town of Breckenridge to establish relationships and create awareness of our Open Space and Trails Master Plan.
- 2023 BROSAT meetings: After receiving the Board of Trustees approval, all future meetings beginning January 2023 will be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month.
- Town newsletter item(s): Chair Asher will develop a brief article about the Open Space & Trails Committee and submit to Staff to be included in the Town newsletter.
- Expiration of Co-Chair Semmer's term: It was noted the term of Co-Chair Semmer is set to expire December 31st. He has expressed an interest in staying on the Committee. A Motion was made by Joe Hamlet requesting the Board of Trustees renew the appointment of Paul Semmer to the Committee for another term. This motion was seconded by Adrienne Stuckey. The motion passed unanimously with Paul Semmer abstaining.

VI. New Announcements

- None

VII. Adjourn

- A Motion was made by Joe Hamlet to adjourn the meeting. This motion was seconded by Wiley Asher. The motion passed unanimously. The Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

VIII.

IX. Next meeting – December 13, 2022