



Blue River Staff Report January 2025

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Special Election

- The Town held a special election on December 17, 2024. Ben Stuckey was elected to fill the vacancy of Ted Pilling. He will serve in the position until April 2026.

Transit-From Deputy Clerk John DeBee

Staff attended the monthly Summit County Transit Authority meeting on December 11.

- The primary discussion focused on the pilot MicroTransit program which included:
 - With the implementation of the program being on the fast track through the November meeting, it has now been placed on a slower more in-depth analysis.
 - Drivers – recruitment, vetting, training and retention.
 - Funding – grants,
 - Vehicles – acquisition, branding and maintenance.
 - Live services – app for riders, target areas for service, monitor and manage services.
 - Customer service

Upper Blue Planning Commission-Dan Cleary

There hasn't been any new UBPC or Countywide PC meetings since my last update. But as part of the Draft Comp Plan review we received the interactive map from the county planning staff (see below):

*Good afternoon Upper Blue Planning Commissioners,
Thank you again for your time in reviewing and discussing the individual focus areas within your respective basins with us over these past couple of months. Our consultant team at Logan Simpson has put together a web-based Future Land Use Map for you all to be able to Zoom into areas of interest, and still maintain a sufficient level of detail.*

<https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/5b8d04580dd9422c8e909e9ea4d2ab2b>

Please take some time to explore this map and email us back with any questions / comments you might have (ignoring the integrated editor/comment tools).

We appreciate your dedication with these efforts in helping us get Blueprint Summit where it needs to be!

Lili Girodie

Code Violations logged into Citizen Serve for 2024: 46

- Advertising Violations: 17
- Dog Violation: 5
- Snow Removal Violation: 1
- Construction Site: 1
- Trash: 11
- Fire Pit: 3
- Noise: 1
- Other: 7

**Code Complaint Calls to Dispatch
November/December Total Code Calls-25
Violations attributable to STR: 10**

Complaint	Subdivision	Action
Dog at large	Blue Rock	Warning
Dog at large	Blue Rock	Citation
Dog at large	Blue Rock	Summons
Dog at large	Blue Rock	Summons
Dog at large	Wilderness	Warning
Noise	Mountain View	Warning
Noise	Timber Creek Estates	Warning
Noise	DOT Condo	Warning
Noise	DOT Condo	Warning
Noise	Spruce Valley Ranch	Warning
Parking	Timber Creek Estates	Warning
Parking	Timber Creek Estates	Warning
Parking	Timber Creek Estates	Warning
Parking	Timber Creek Estates	Warning
Parking	Pennsylvania Gulch	Warning
Parking	Coronet	Warning
Parking	Coronet	Warning
Parking	Mountain View	Warning
Parking	Sherwood	Warning
Parking	Sherwood	Warning
Parking	Town Park	Warning
Lights	New Eldorado	Warning
Lights	97 Circle	Warning
Signage	Blue Grouse	Warning
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Town Statistics

Facebook Page Likes
Town-1,300
Police Department-923
Instagram-1,259 followers
Threads-219
Residents on Email List-1,027
Blue River News-1,209
TextMyGov-154

Business Licenses-248

Lodging Registrations Issued-214*
as of 12/31/24

Municipal Court

January 2025

Total tickets written for December
Court: 23
Total on the January Docket: 5
Total January Failure to
appear(s): 2
Total January OJW(s): 1

Building Statistics

2024

Permits Issued: 9

2024 Final: 180

Inspections: 674

New Construction 2024: 5

**Certificates of Occupancy New
Construction 2024:4**



End of Month Report: December 2024
Chief Close

Calls for Service

Total number of a calls: 122

Top 10 calls as follows:

Traffic Stop	29
Motorist Assist	20
Suspicious Vehicle/Person	6
Code Enforcement	6
Other Agency Back up	5
Drunk Driver	4
Suicide Threat	4
Road Hazard	4
Disputes	3
Theft	3

Summary: No motor vehicle crashes in December is very rare as compared to recent years. The holiday season creates stress for some families and individuals and “Suicide Threats” and domestic violence were significantly higher resulting in arrests and involuntary mental health holds. Drinking and driving continued to threaten the public safety on our roadways as well. One officer resigned to address family priorities.

Arrests: 8 = all misdemeanor

Motor Vehicle Crash: 0 = *This is very unusual.

DUI: 3

Domestic Violence 2

Citations Issued

Municipal = 10

County = 6

Current Administrative Focus

- Recruitment – The department is currently looking to fill open vacancy.
- End of year Reporting – The department is comprising and finalizing end of year mandated State reporting for compliance and statistical analysis.
- Annual Training Calendar – As the new year begins annual training to maintain certifications and continue with a high level of professional service starts over.

Financial Summary Report

Prepared by: Michelle Eddy, Town Manager

Month Ending December 31, 2024

Revenues/Expenditures:

Revenues finished the year 36% ahead of budget. Sales tax, lodging tax, building, interest and franchise fees are all finished ahead of budget. Expenses finished below budget by 9%.

Reserve Accounts *As of 12/31/24

Unrestricted

Reserve accounts Alpine Bank:	\$1,478,474.30
Colorado Trust Assigned to Capital:	\$3,180,263.92
Colorado Trust Assigned to Broadband:	\$214,588.14
CSAFE:	\$100.00
Illiquid Trust Funds:	\$1,187.42

Total Unrestricted	\$4,874,613.78
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Restricted

American Rescue Plan Funds:	\$185,715.88
Conservation Trust:	\$161,618.18

Total Reserves Restricted	\$347,334.06
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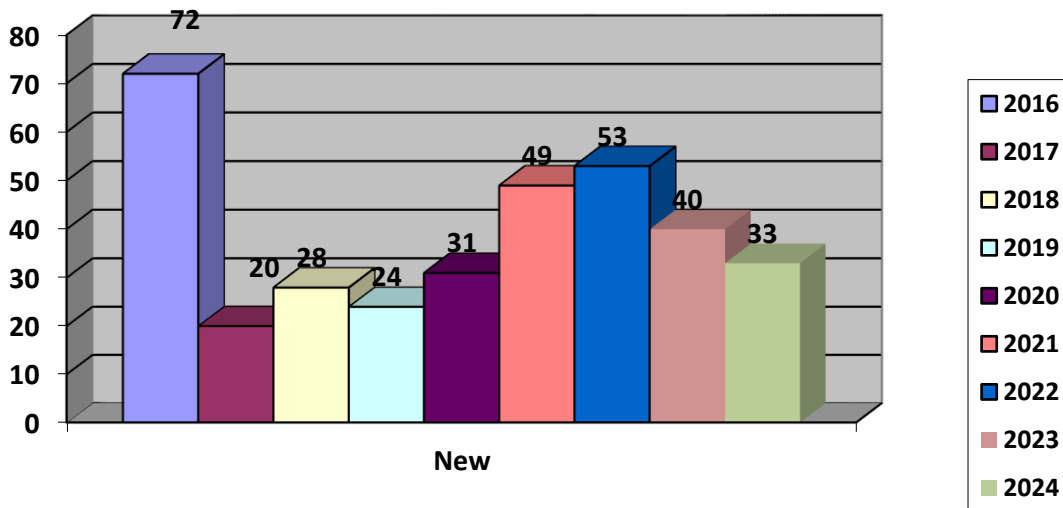


Town of Blue River

Staff Report
Short-term Rental Update
 Submitted By: Michelle Eddy, Town Manager

Statistics

Total Issued Licenses as of 12/31/2024: 214-26%



Annual Revenue

Year	Sales Tax	Lodging Tax
2016	\$264,757.05	\$123,742.00
2017	\$237,468.92	\$126,585.55
2018	\$286,968.54	\$155,511.07
2019	\$425,616.72	\$166,883.33
2020	\$842,141.13	\$176,339.81
2021	\$844,558.23	\$228,743.34
2022	\$1,002,256.27	\$327,762.62
2023	\$996,818.50	\$303,230.72
2024	\$1,064,654.64	\$383,711.68

Percentage of STRs by Subdivision

*****Please note the percentage of STRS is based on total homes built within each subdivision and NOT buildable lots.***

Subdivision	# STR	%STR **	% Build Out	% Full-Time Res.
96 Sub	8	22%	90%	30%
97 Sub	11	26%	84%	37%
Aspen View	7	44%	80%	13%
Blue Rock Springs	13	24%	93%	46%
Bryce Estates	1	25%	57%	0%
Clyde Lode	0	0%	50%	0%
Coronet	10	32%	78%	35%
Crown	24	35%	93%	28%
DOT Condo	5	14%	100%	31%
DOT Placer	0	0%	50%	100%
Golden Crown	3	60%	63%	20%
Lakeshore	11	27%	93%	23%
Leap Year	7	32%	91%	43%
Louise Placer	2	29%	70%	14%
McCullough Gulch	1	33%	43%	67%
Meiser	2	100%	100%	0%
Misc Sec TR7-77 Land	0	0%	22%	40%
Mountain View	14	30%	96%	34%
New Eldorado Sub	4	50%	73%	38%
New Eldorado Townhomes	1	11%	100%	56%
Pennsylvania Canyon	0	0%	100	0%
Pomeroy	0	0%	0%	0%
Rivershore	0	0%	63%	0%
Royal	14	21%	94%	31%
Sherwood Forest	18	23%	94%	23%
Silverheels	1	25%	67%	29%
Spillway	3	15%	90%	25%
Spruce Valley Ranch	0	0%	68%	20%
Sunnyslope	13	43%	86%	33%
Timber Creek Estates	29	41%	89%	7%
Wilderness	12	22%	96%	33%