



BLUE RIVER BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING JUNE 2024

**June 13, 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:

Mayor Decicco called the work session to order at 5:05 p.m.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Executive Session pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4)(b) to receive legal advice concerning the legal rights of the Town to the established Town road system. and pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4)(b) and (e) to receive legal advice and to instruct negotiators concerning a potential land acquisition.

Decicco moved and Hopkins to adjourn into executive session pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4)(b) to receive legal advice concerning the legal rights of the Town to the established Town road system. and pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4)(b) and (e) to receive legal advice and to instruct negotiators concerning a potential land acquisition at 5:06 p.m.

Decicco moved and Hopkins seconded to adjourn out of executive session at 6:07 p.m.

Decicco moved and seconded to enter into a contract for purchase of the 3 acres of Clyde Lode property with the agreed upon new purchase price. Motion passed unanimously.

6:00 PM REGULAR MEETING:

I. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

Mayor Decicco called the regular meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Nick Decicco

Trustee Jonathon Heckman

Trustee Ted Pilling

Trustee Noah Hopkins

Trustee Ted Slaughter

Trustee Barrie Stimson

Trustee Jodie Willey

Also present: Town Manager Michelle Eddy; Town Attorney Bob Widner attended via Zoom.

II. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Trustee Willey, Seconded by Trustee Heckman to approve the consent agenda. Voting Yea: Trustee Stimson, Mayor Decicco, Trustee Heckman, Trustee Willey, Trustee Pilling, Trustee Hopkins, Trustee Slaughter. Motion passed unanimously.

A. Minutes for May 9, 2024

B. Approval of Bills-\$31,608.11

III. COMMUNICATIONS TO TRUSTEES

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

Mayor Decicco noted written communications received.

Paul Semmer, Blue Grouse Trail-remarked on the plans to be reviewed in the future and included the Trails plan. He remarked on the survey conducted with suggestions for future surveys. He remarked on his written comments sent.

Chris Daly, Lakeshore Loop-welcomed the new board. Remarked on the budget report and the realization of loss of full-time homeowners and a concern of loss of community and neighborhoods as second homeowners and short-term rentals increase. He encouraged a discussion on short-term rentals.

Wiley Asher, Coronet-asked for alternative ideas for monitoring and use of the Tarn including a gate or code versus residents or police patrol. He remarked on the drainage on Coronet and the issues that arose this spring. He suggested the formation of a roads committee.

C. Written Comments Received

IV. PUBLIC HEARING

D. 0132 Mountain View Addition Variance

Mayor Decicco opened the public hearing at 6:31p.m.

Manager Eddy reviewed the variance request noting all documents and notifications were completed. She noted the variance was recommended for approval by the Planning and Zoning Commission. She also noted there was one public comment received from Reilly Desantis with no objection to the project.

No public comment received.

Mayor Decicco closed the public hearing at 6:34 p.m.

Motion made by Trustee Pilling, Seconded by Trustee Stimson to approve the variance request as presented. Voting Yea: Trustee Stimson, Mayor Decicco, Trustee Heckman, Trustee Willey, Trustee Pilling, Trustee Hopkins, Trustee Slaughter

V. ORDINANCE CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL

E. ORDINANCE NO. 2024-01 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF BLUE RIVER, COLORADO, AMENDING SECTION 2-2-90 OF THE BLUE RIVER MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

It was noted this is to change the meetings with the work session taking place on the first Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. and the regular meeting on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. with a 5:00 p.m. work session.

Motion made by Trustee Slaughter, Seconded by Trustee Hopkins to approve Ordinance 2024-01 An Ordinance of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Blue River, Colorado, Amending Section 2-2-90 of the Blue River Municipal Code Pertaining to Regular Meetings of the Board of Trustees. Voting Yea: Trustee Stimson, Mayor Decicco, Trustee Heckman, Trustee Willey, Trustee Pilling, Trustee Hopkins, Trustee Slaughter. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

F. Meeting Protocols/Guidelines

Mayor Decicco and Attorney Widner provided information on meeting guidelines and protocols to be adopted by the Trustees.

Mayor Decicco reviewed the key points to agree upon for meeting protocols and guidelines. A consensus on the points was achieved and a resolution will be brought forward next month for adoption.

G. Review of Plow Contract

The Town's Plow Contractor was present. Discussion on the current contract which is up for renewal.

Trustee Stimpson noted he believes the contractors have been doing a good job.

Trustee Hopkins noted the road base that was scrapped up and if there is a way to mitigate it. Mr. Allen noted it's an issue in the spring when the road gets soft during a plow and it's better to drive the roads versus plowing. He noted it was during the road cut time.

Trustee Heckman noted that it depends on the spring and not much that can be done.

Mr. Allen noted the roads soften in the spring and it becomes an issue with scraping. He suggested in the spring use more discretion in the spring.

Discussion of timing of plowing and determining when to go out. It's generally 4" in a 24-hour time period unless it's a multi-day storm and then they try to time it out.

Discussion of the run-off and the culverts clogging and then the road base that ends up in the ditch.

Trustee Pilling recommended a roads commission be established in the future.

Trustee Hopkins asked about extending the contract into May.

Discussion to have a work session on the plow contract and provide recommendations back to the contractor for revisions and discussion of a roads committee.

H. Citizen Advisory Committee Survey Report

Manager Eddy, Trustee Hopkins and Trustee Willey presented the Citizen Advisory Report for the citizen survey conducted.

Discussion to have everyone read the entire report and come back with discussion items at the first July work session. It was requested to breakdown residential status for responses.

I. Spruce Creek Road Improvement Project Update

Manager Eddy noted there were no bids received for the project. It was recommended to delay the work until next year putting it up for bid in January with a May start. It was noted it would probably receive more interest as contractors will not have already filled their calendars. Manager Eddy noted the report included on the project history and costs.

J. Update of Town Code for Goose Pasture Tarn Use Discussion

Manager Eddy noted the Town Code language as it pertains to the Goose Pasture Tarn is outdated and in need of changes. Redline changes were provided in the packet. Discussion on the status of the land use agreement with the Theobalds and ideas presented. Suggestion to clean up the signage.

VII. REPORTS

K. Mayor

No report.

L. Trustees Reports/Comments

Trustee Heckman-reported on the variance recommendation and approved an addition. They discussed limiting the building amount in the buildable area.

Trustee Stimpson-requested establishing a road maintenance committee and to serve as a liaison. The Committee would be a proactive committee to provide recommendations to the Trustees. He requested either the road contractor or plow contractor or their crew representatives on the committee. Discussion of potentially hiring a roads manager/public works. Trustee Stimpson left at 7:50 p.m.

Trustee Pilling reported the chair of the Transit Authority is retiring and a new chair is taking over. He noted the micro transit study is complete and bids are out for a pilot program.

Trustee Slaughter reported the Wildfire Council awarded defensible space grants and summer tours should be out soon.

Trustee Hopkins reported the committee met and reviewed the survey report. He recommended the Trustees review the role of Citizen Advisory and their purpose moving forward. It was discussed to have a work session on all committees and need.

Discussion of construction complaints and process.

M. Attorney

N. Staff Reports

Manager Eddy requested to begin work on developing a Board retreat for August and to bring in a consultant to work with the Trustees. It was agreed to have staff reach out to a consultant

and look at a August date. It was also discussed to hold a 60th anniversary celebration in the fall.

Other Business:

Trustee Pilling noted a need to review short-term rental regulations and the changing demographics. He recommended a moratorium on short-term rentals in place to allow time for review. He recommended to decide tonight and set a date for when it will go into place.

Discussion on whether or not to implement a moratorium. Discussion that short-term rentals need to be a priority and discussed in the future.

Discussion to have the first work session in July to review the citizen survey. The second work session will be to review the plow contract. It was discussed to add short-term rentals on the agenda or at one of the work sessions.

VIII. ADJOURN

Motion made by Trustee Hopkins, Seconded by Mayor Decicco to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Voting Yea: Trustee Stimson, Mayor Decicco, Trustee Heckman, Trustee Willey, Trustee Pilling, Trustee Hopkins, Trustee Slaughter. Motion passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING - Work Session, July 2, 2024, 5:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, July 16, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 2, 2024-5:00 p.m. Work Session

Tuesday, July 16, 2024-5:00 p.m. Work Session; 6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

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.

Respectfully submitted:

Michelle Eddy, MMC

Town Clerk