



Blue River Staff Report

June 2024

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Goose Pasture Tarn

- Outreach with the Theobalds continues.
- The Tarn was stocked on Friday, May 31st with 750 pounds of Trout.
- Resident passes and boat permits are now available through the Citizen Serve Portal. You must register through the portal to obtain a pass. In the portal permits are found under Building Permits. Short-term renters are not allowed access to the Tarn. Long-term renters may obtain access when the owners of the property relinquish their access. Landlords must contact Town Hall to obtain the necessary forms and provide documentation.

School Bus Stop

- A formal agreement between the School District, Theobalds and Town is awaiting signatures by the Theobalds and School District.

Spruce Creek Fire Mitigation

- Work has begun on the Spruce Creek area mitigation project. Equipment (a skidder) is being brought in to drag trees out of the project area for hauling. Staging is set to begin the week of June 10th.

Wildfire Mitigation Projects

- Outreach has begun for the Blue River East project. Staff and Colorado State Forest Representatives have begun working directly with residents that will be impacted by the project. Once the initial outreach is complete, a Town Hall forum will be organized to review the larger scope of the project. In addition, staff is continuing work with Red, White and Blue on the right-of-way fire mitigation project for this year. It is hoped to conduct this project later this summer along with a Town organized chipping day at Theobald Park. Information on the Summit County Chipping Day is included in this report and online. The chipping program will be in Blue River, July 8-12th. More information will be provided soon.

Weed & Seed Program

- For the fourth year in a row, the Town of Blue River will be hosting the Weed & Seed Program. The program is designed to encourage residents to pull and address the various noxious weeds throughout the area. Weeds may be brought to Town Hall and as a thank you, residents may take a seed of wildflower seeds. Weed mitigation is a never-ending effort but it hoped with enough work, the number of noxious weeds will be reduced and the Town filled with beautiful wildflowers.
- In addition to the Weed & Seed Program, there will be a Countywide Weed Pulling Event on Saturday, July 13th. Residents are encouraged to assist with weed mitigation not just at their properties but at Theobald Park and the Goose Pasture Tarn. Green disposable bags will be available for any participating residents and weeds may be brought to Town for wildflower seeds.

Audit

- The annual Town audit was conducted the week of May 20th. The auditors are finalizing their report and will provide a presentation in July prior to filing with the State of Colorado.

Roads

- Grading and reshaping began on June 6, 2024. Crews will work over the next week moving through Town. After the grading and reshaping are completed, material will be brought in and treatment application will be applied after all base has been added.
- There will be a partial closure of Spruce Creek Road on the 20th and 21 to grade and apply earth bind product.
- Culverts will be added on Coronet as well as at the parking area at Town Park.
- Treatments
 - Earthbind-Spruce Creek Road
 - Durablend-Blue River Road
- Road Base
 - 97 Circle
 - Blue Rock
 - Golden Crown
 - Leap Year
 - Lodestone
 - Louise Placer
 - Miners Court
 - Nugget
 - Regal
 - Rock Springs
 - Royal
 - Rustic Terrace
 - Tesemini
- Road Maintenance Town Hall Forum
 - On Wednesday, July 10th, 6:00 p.m. the Town's Road Contractor G & G Services as well as representatives from Envirotech will be at Town Hall to provide information and host a discussion on the products used on Town roads, benefits, reasons for the particular products as well as address environmental questions and the science of

road maintenance. This will be a hybrid meeting hosted in person and via zoom for all residents.

Town Statistics

Facebook Page Likes
Town-1,300
Police Department-922
Instagram-1,263 followers
Twitter (X)-81 followers
Threads-168
Residents on Email List-990
Blue River News-1,177
TextMyGov-143

Business Licenses-255

Lodging Registrations-223

Municipal Court June 2024

Total tickets written for May Court: 7
Total on the June Docket: 3
Total June Failure to appear(s): 0
Total June OJW(s): 1

Building Statistics

May 2024

Permits Issued: 24

YTD: 57

Inspections: 60

New Construction 2024: 2

**Certificates of Occupancy New
Construction 2024:1**

Tarn Permits

May 1-June 5, 2024

Resident Permits: 61

Boat Permits: 71



End of Month Report: May 2024

Calls for Service

Total number of a calls: 170

Top 10 calls as follows:

Traffic Stops	60
Area Patrols	32
Motorist Assists	7
Information Law Related	7
Reckless Driver	6
Suspicious Person/Veh.	5
Other Agency Backup	5
Motor Vehicle Accident	5
Drunk Drivers	3
Animal/Wildlife	3

Summary: Calls for service are consistent with last month's call volume. The majority of calls are related to issues with Hwy. 9 and public safety. There was a spike in motor vehicle crashes with speed being a significant contributing factor.

Arrests: 1 warrant
Motor Vehicle Crash: 4
DUI: 2

Current Administrative Focus

- Training – Our new hire has almost completed field training. Another officer completed a patrol rifle instructor class. The staff continue to complete mandatory training to maintain certifications.
- Cybersecurity – New updates and protocols have been implemented to keep sensitive information protected.

Report prepared by:
Chief, David Close

Financial Summary Report

Prepared by: Michelle Eddy, Town Manager
Month Ending May 31, 2024

Revenues/Expenditures:

Revenues are ahead of budget for the by 13.91%. Sales tax, lodging tax, and franchise fees of budget. In addition the Town received a backfill for property taxes in the amount of \$39,418. Court fees and building are tracking behind budget. Expenses are tracking below budget by 8.74%

Reserve Accounts *As of 5/31/24

Unrestricted

Reserve accounts Alpine Bank:	\$1,435,512.76
CD's Citywide Bank:	\$211,498.41
Colorado Trust Assigned to Capital:	\$3,100,159.34
Colorado Trust Assigned to Broadband:	\$208,216.28
CSAFE:	\$100.00
Illiquid Trust Funds:	\$1,187.42
Total Unrestricted	\$4,956,674.21

Restricted

American Rescue Plan Funds:	\$192,953.54
Conservation Trust:	\$149,591.41
Total Reserves Restricted	\$342,544.95

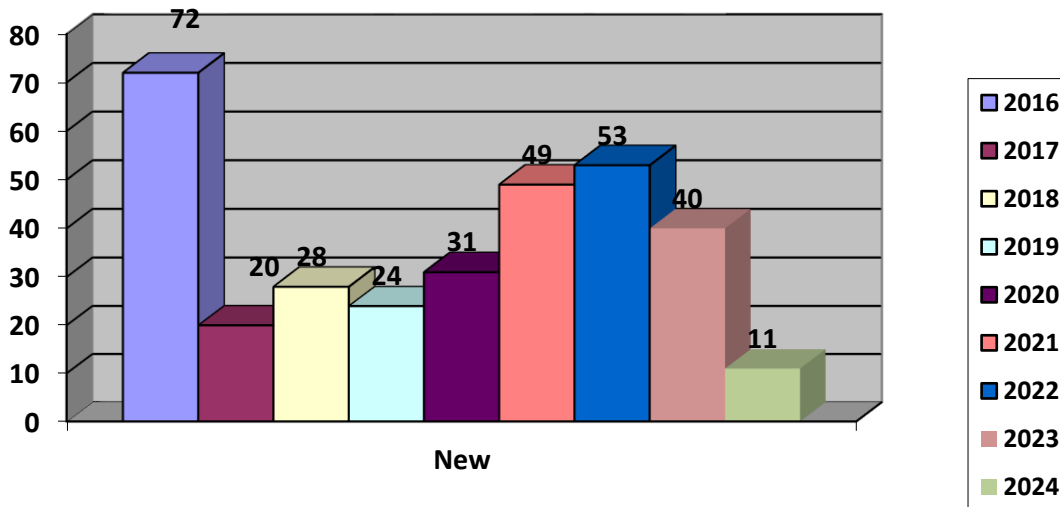


Town of Blue River

Staff Report
Short-term Rental Update
May 31, 2024
 Submitted By: Michelle Eddy, Town Manager

Statistics

Total Active Licenses as of 5/31/2024: 223



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	\$596,037.15	\$159,062.27

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	10	27%	90%	30%
97 Sub	12	29%	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	23	34%	93%	28%
DOT Condo	5	14%	100%	31%
DOT Placer	0	0%	50%	100%
Golden Crown	3	60%	63%	20%
Lakeshore	13	33%	93%	23%
Leap Year	8	38%	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	13	27%	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	16	24%	94%	31%
Sherwood Forest	20	26%	94%	23%
Silverheels	1	25%	67%	29%
Spillway	3	15%	90%	25%
Spruce Valley Ranch	0	0%	68%	20%
Sunnyslope	12	40%	86%	33%
Timber Creek Estates	29	41%	89%	7%
Wilderness	14	25%	96%	33%

General Statistics

- Total Percentage of short-term rentals 28%

Code Violations 2024

Total: 17

- Advertising Violations: 15
- Dog Violation: 1
- Snow Removal Violation: 1