

SUMMIT COUNTY  
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COUNCIL  
SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

July 10, 2013

OSAC MEMBERS PRESENT: Lynn Amstutz, Jeff Leigh, Turk Montepare, Russ Camp, Howard Brown, Todd Rankin, Terry Craig, Bruce Fitch, Nancy Redner

OSAC MEMBERS ABSENT: Tim Scanlan, Art Girten, Laura Rossetter

STAFF PRESENT: Brian Lorch, Katherine King

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC PRESENT: Chris Kulick - Town of Breckenridge; Leigh Girvin – CDLT; Paul Semmer - USFS

Call to Order: Chairman Turk Montepare called the meeting of the Summit County Open Space Advisory Council to order at 5:37 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was approved as submitted.

Approval of Minutes: The June 5, 2013 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

Summary Report: The summary report was approved as submitted.

REGULAR AGENDA:

Public Comments on Items Not Included in the Agenda: Leigh Girvin explained that CDLT did a public tour of the Iron Springs Open Space and the highway realignment project on June 8<sup>th</sup>. Shortly afterwards, Rob Small's letter to the editor came out critiquing the project, which Leigh said helped encourage CDLT do some extra due diligence on the project. The organization does still consider the realignment the lesser of two evils, particularly considering the habitat enhancements that will be done to the existing highway alignment by the lake. CDLT indicated that they would like to do some seed collecting on the property before the realignment, and OSAC had a brief discussion about the merits of that and the best way to do the collection/storage of seeds. The seeds are only viable for a relatively short time period and must be kept in cold storage, and because they are relatively common plants according to Nancy Redner, a commercial native seed mix may accomplish the same goals.

Update on Open Space Management Activities: The Conditional Use Permit for the Gold Run Nordic Center is up for renewal. The renewal period is for seven years, using the existing business and trail grooming plan. OSAC did not have any comment on the permit and unanimously agreed it should be renewed.

The developers of Muggins Gulch have entered into an agreement with the County to exchange soil from their road construction/utility installation with gravel from County land. At their cost, they will use the soil to restore an approximately 2-acre area east of the Muggins Gulch entrance, similar to the area they already enhanced west of the entrance. It provides them with material, improves the appearance of their entrance, and meets open space goals to improve the riparian habitat of the Swan River.

Executive Session to Discuss Acquisition of Real Property Interests: Bruce Fitch moved to go into Executive Session to discuss property acquisitions. Russ Camp seconded the motion. OSAC entered into Executive Session at 6:05 pm. Mr. Camp moved to come out of Executive Session and Lynn Amstutz

seconded the motion. OSAC came out of Executive Session at 7:24 pm.

Other Business/Announcements: Brian Lorch proposed changing the August meeting date to the 14<sup>th</sup>. Chris Kulick invited OSAC to attend their upcoming VOC project to realign the Sidedoor Trail on July 27-28.

The NEPA has been completed, and DRMS is getting to work on safety closures/ clean up of approximately 40 abandoned mine structures in the Golden Horseshoe. The Sts John Mine tailings pile clean up should also be completed by the end of the summer. At Lincoln Townsite, a contractor has been working in collaboration with the Breckenridge Heritage Alliance to clean up the site with five structures to remain. “Clean wood” from the structures is being salvaged for use at other historic sites. The BHA is still hoping to secure funding to stabilize the structures.

Paul Semmer announced that after 12 years, the Chihuahua Land Exchange closed last week, thereby conveying the Chihuahua Town Site to the USFS in exchange for USFS lands adjacent to Keystone Resort, Yahoo!

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Brian Lorch*

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