



BLUE RIVER BOARD OF TRUSTEES AUGUST 2023

August 15, 2023 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 REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Babich called the regular meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Toby Babich

Trustee Joel Dixon

Trustee Kelly Finley

Trustee Mark Fossett

Trustee Noah Hopkins

Trustee Ted Pilling

Trustee Ted Slaughter

Also Present: Town Manager Michelle Eddy; Town Attorney Bob Widner

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Trustee Dixon, Seconded by Trustee Finley Pursuant to **CRS 24-6-402(4)(b) and (e)** to receive legal advice and to instruct negotiators concerning a potential land acquisition.

Pursuant to **CRS 24-6-402(4)(b)** for the purpose of receiving legal advice concerning the laws governing the ownership, control, and use of real property for right-of-way. Pursuant to **CRS 24-6-402(4)(b)** to receive legal advice on the processing of a House Bill 1041 Application received

by the Town from the Colorado Department of Transportation at 5:06 p.m. Voting Yea: Mayor Babich, Trustee Dixon, Trustee Finley, Trustee Fossett, Trustee Hopkins, Trustee Pilling, Trustee Slaughter

Finley moved and Fossett seconded to adjourn executive session with no action taken at 6:24 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Trustee Fossett, Seconded by Trustee Finley to approve the consent agenda. Voting Yea: Mayor Babich, Trustee Dixon, Trustee Finley, Trustee Fossett, Trustee Hopkins, Trustee Pilling, Trustee Slaughter. Motion passed unanimously.

A. Minutes for July 25, 2023

B. Approval of Bills-\$42,850.04

IV. COMMUNICATIONS TO TRUSTEES

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

C. Written Public Comments

Mayor Babich noted emailed communication received. Discussion of the public comment received.

V. NEW BUSINESS

VI. REPORTS

D. Mayor

Mayor Babich provided an update on policies for trail signs and road maintenance are being drafted and should be back for September.

E. Trustees

i. Citizen Advisory Committee -Trustee Finley

Resident Grant Program

ii. Open Space and Trails Committee -Trustee Dixon

Trails Tour Part 2-Sunday, August 20th, 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m.

iii. Planning and Zoning - Trustee Hopkins

iv. Transit Authority - Trustee Pilling

v. Wildfire Council - Trustee Slaughter

vi. Roads- Trustee Fossett

Trustees

i. **Citizen Advisory Committee** -Trustee Finley

Resident Grant Program-Trustee Finley presented the proposed Resident Grant program which will provide grants for defensible space projects, bear resistant trash cans and natural night sky fixtures.

Fossett moved and Hopkins seconded to approve the resident grant program as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

ii. **Open Space and Trails Committee** -Trustee Dixon

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iii. **Planning and Zoning** - Trustee Hopkins reported there was no meeting in August.

iv. **Transit Authority** - Trustee Pilling reported there was nothing new to report.

v. **Wildfire Council** - Trustee Slaughter no report.

vi. **Roads**- Trustee Fossett reported he had met with the road contractor in June and is aware of working being done and noted that work conducted seems to be holding up better than in years past.

F. Attorney

No report.

G. Staff Reports

See attached.

Discussion of the employee wellness benefit and changing how it is applied. It was approved to allow employees to purchase a wellness benefit of their choice and they will be reimbursed up to \$500.

Trustee Finley expressed gratitude to the staff especially PD for their work.

VII. ADJOURN

Motion made by Trustee Finley, Seconded by Trustee Fossett to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m. Voting Yea: Mayor Babich, Trustee Dixon, Trustee Finley, Trustee Fossett, Trustee Hopkins, Trustee Pilling, Trustee Slaughter. Motion passed unanimously.

NEXT 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.