

AGENDA
BUENA VISTA TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD
February 7, 2023
Community Center
5:30 pm



Present: Kelly Collins (Chair), Gina Lucrezi (Mayor Pro Tem), Ryan Cole, Lois Walton, Ben Correll, Dawn Dennison, Colleen Fitzgerald, Shawn Williams (Public Works)

I. Call to order 5:35pm

II. Agenda adoption or changes Motion to approve agenda made by Dennison, Second by Cole, Motion approved

III. Approval of October 4, 2022 Minutes Motion to approve the Minutes of October 4, 2022 by Dennison, Second by Cole, Motion approved.

IV. Public Comment – Leslie Toepfer is a Trail Steward for 4 different Town trails. She provided the board with great information and feedback for future consideration. She addressed the online forms for reporting and asked if they could be tweaked or combined. Walton provided an update regarding a new trail recording app that is being developed by Envision Chaffee County. Earl Richmond has been working with County staff to roll out the app for use by BV Trail users and stewards. Richmond will connect with Leslie Toepfer regarding the status. Toepfer also reported that the wind along Gregg Drive causes a lot of damage to that trail and mentioned areas that needed to be addressed. ACA trucks cause a lot of wear and tear along this route although she said the trail has held up well over the years. She mentioned their entrance and Williams commented that a cement apron will be installed to mitigate this issue. She said the east end of the trail needs gravel. Toepfer next commented on the Airport Trail. Discussion about no signage and lack of a dog waste station causes her to have to pick up lots of dog poop each time she tends to the trail. She has tried with some success to put buckets there, but someone took one of the buckets. Williams suggested that we contact Colorado Parks and Wildlife staff.

Cole provided public input he received while attending the Cordova Park Community Planning Meeting. General comments about trails that he received included: community members desire loop like trails in town, that there is a need for wider trails for e bike users and that the south end of the Bridge to Bridge Trail is eroding and needs maintenance.

V. Reports

- **Recreation** Recreation - Collins reported that there is signage up about mountain lions due to the siting of a mountain lion by a hiker on the South Broken Boyfriend Trail. Richmond was able to secure educational signs about “what to do if you see a mountain lion” and they are not posted.

BVSC and the Town has signed a maintenance agreement. BVSC will provide maintenance to Town trails with the Town reimbursing them for their work. This is a very exciting

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opportunity for both the Town and BVSC. Thanks to Collins for her hard work getting this accomplished.

- **Public Works** Williams provided an update about the work being done by his staff. He commented that he has very talented staff and that they are prioritizing their work for the upcoming year. He discussed the cross over of Parks, Recreation and work being done by Public Work staff. He also provided the board with an update on the Arizona Bridge project. Another meeting was held with CDOT and hopefully final changes are being made and the plan will be approved soon. Once it is approved the Town can then go out for and RFP for the work to be completed. He feels the timing of this is good as it is in the spring and is hopeful he will have some interest from contractors.
- **Trail News-** BVSC has a new trail “Crankenhammer”. This is a 2.3 mile trail that parallel the Camp Elevation South Trail.

BVSC within their strategic planning has identified the Tater Tots Trail which will be located around the disc golf course.

Lucrezi said that the Chicago Ranch development has been delayed a bit due to ongoing discussions about water rights and retention ponds. Terms need to be clarified between the two entities and once completed work will resume. Once the final agreement is approved work will continue.

Collins reported that the Rock N Roll trail will hopefully be funded by a grant.

VI. Development Reviews

Cordova Park Development Reviews- Cordova Park Community Meeting was held in January. Cole reported that it was a good meeting. Peaks View Trail is suggested to be extended. Williams commented that he would like to see more parking available at both ends of the park to minimize on street parking.

- **VII. Trails Advisory Board Membership** Two positions are available for the new year. One board member, Nancy Fox term expired in December of 2022 and another position needed to be filled. The board thanked Fox for her work. Collins suggested that the two board alternates, Ben Correll and Dawn Dennison be moved to acting board members. Both were asked and agreed to fill in as permanent board members. Fitzgerald motioned to approve Dennison and Correll to fill vacant board positions. Second by Cole, motion approved.

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VIII. Newspaper articles Mc Carthy sent out a note to the board regarding members taking turns writing articles about town trails. Collins wrote the first article about the Whipple Trail.

IX. 2023 Meeting Dates A motion to approve the following meeting dates was made by Fitzgerald, second by Dennison. Correll corrected the dates clarifying that the May board meeting is the 2nd not the 9. Dates approved are: March 7, April 4, May 2, June 6, August 8, September 5, October 3, November 7. No meetings in July or December.

X. Goals for 2023 No report

XI. Adjournment 6:55pm