



BLUE RIVER BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MONTH

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

8:00 AM

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.

Call to Order, Roll Call

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

PRESENT: Mayor Nick Decicco

Trustee Noah Hopkins

Trustee Ted Slaughter

Trustee Barrie Stimson

Trustee Ben Stuckey

Trustee Jodie Willey

EXCUSED: Jonathon Heckman

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

8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

A. Reflect 2024 Accomplishments

Spruce Creek Road

Speed limit reduction

Chain Station

Land Purchases

Trail connections

Setback regulations

Pothole Repairs

Hiring of a Code Ambassador

B. Common Retreat Themes-8 minute discussion

Document provided by Town Attorney Widner with rules and themes to help frame the retreat.

C. Priority Setting

A world cafe session was held to identify challenges and priorities.

Challenges identified:

- Lot density/managing property development
- Roads/maintenance/drainage (plowing; culverts; spring run-off; bus stops; bike/walking path; shoulders)
- Short-term rentals
- Water resource management
- Wildfire Risk Awareness
- Code consistency/enforcement and enforcement equity
- Tarn management
- Public transit/safe access along Hwy 9
- Managing town growth outside of town limits

Priorities identified:

- Roads
- Property development
- Annexation
- Hwy 9 improvements
- Safe transit/access
- Blue River Trail
- Ordinance Enforcement
- Water study
- Short-term rental enforcement/education on expectations and code enforcement

Top priorities identified for 2025

1. Roads

Goal Statement: Create a strategic multi-year roads plan to ensure there are safe high-quality roads throughout town.

2. Property & Land Management

Goal Statement: Preserve community and environment through land use and development regulations.

3. Short-term Rentals

Goal Statement: Preserve the balance of property owners/residents with the experience of the visitor by minimizing the impact on the community.

12:00 p.m.-Lunch

D. Working Session

1. Code of Ethics

Attorney Widner reviewed options for developing and adopting a code of ethics and reasons the town should consider it. Discussion of the benefits of being home rule for the code of ethics as well as other benefits.

There was a review of liability and how the board should conduct business.

2. Lines of Communication

Attorney Widner provided information on how lines of communications should take place between Trustees, Manager and Staff.

1:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m.

E. Review & Highlight Rules of Order

Discussion and review of the rules of order.

1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

F. Executive Session

Trustee Willey moved to hold an executive session pursuant to CRS Section 24-6-402(4)(b) for the purpose of receiving legal advice concerning the statutory procedures for annexation and the application of the procedures to a proposal to annex of the Lodge by the Blue property at 12:50 p.m. Trustee Hopkins seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Slaughter moved to adjourn out of executive session with no action taken at 1:46 p.m. Trustee Hopkins Mayor Decicco. Motion passed unanimously.

The special meeting was adjourned at 1:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Michelle Eddy, MMC
Town Clerk