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TOWN OF BERTHOUD PORT COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

6:00 P.M.

This is a VIRTUAL MEETING hosted by Zoom – You may join by:

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1. Call to Order – Vice Chair Klein called the meeting to order as Chair Cabrera had connection difficulties.

2. Roll Call

• Jose Cabrera – Chair	Present
• Phil Klein – Vice-Chair	Present
• Tim Grover	Present
• Karl Ayers – Secretary	Present
• Marc Millet	Present
• Chris Kurtz	Present
• Jill LeGault	Present
• Jeff Hindman, Trustee Liaison	Absent (Trustee Dower present)
• Keith Knoll, Staff Representative	Present
• Zoe Schoo, Youth Adv. Comm.	Present

3. Approval of Minutes- Wednesday February 6, 2021 Approved

4. Public Comment

There was much public comment centered around the rules of Berthoud Reservoir which pertain to non-motorized boating. What is the policy for access to the South boat ramp? Will the reservoir be open at some point in the future? The Committee decided to have a more detailed discussion as an upcoming agenda item. Because of the large amount of discussion, the chat conversations are an addendum at the end of this document.

Other public comments concerned the sidewalk connectivity issues between Heron Lakes and Heron Point near the TPC course.

5. Discussion

- A. K. Kuchar and J Call – Open Space Master Plan



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Representatives from Logan Simpson gave a broad overview of the Open Space Master Plan. Open Space, Natural Areas, Agricultural Preservation, and Trail Corridors were defined.

There was an update on the new Waggener Family conservation easement on HWY 56 between CoRd 3-5. Committee discussed if there were differences between Weld and Larimer Counties. A major difference is that Open Space tax money is for Larimer County only. Outreach with neighbors and other future plans were outlined.

The main points and guidelines were divided into groups:

Conservation: Working Agriculture, L. Thompson & Dry Creek; scenic views, buffers

Water: Water for agriculture, protected drinking water, non-potable water for parks

Trail Corridors: Front Range Trail connectors; Dry Creek to Carter Lake, L. Thompson

Funding: How are developments funded? What are other impacts of the funding?

Community feedback has focused on Bike & Ped, Land Conservation, Tree Canopy

There is a map available on the GIS website for further review.

Member Kurtz asked what is the biggest opportunity. Call responded that it was connectivity and corridors.

Committee was given homework to think about and discuss:

1. Where are your priorities?
2. Why are these your priorities?
3. How would these come to fruition?

The initial response from the committee was the Hwy 56 corridor, access to water, scenic views, and the small town feel.

B. Committee Report

Staff Member Knoll presented the 2020 PORT Committee Agenda Topics & Report for review.

6. Staff updates

Recreation Brochure open to outreach in the spring to be released Summer 2021. Digital version on Berthoud.org.

Waggener Family farm conservation easement details.

There was an overview of Tier 1 and Tier 2 bike infrastructure which were approved for development.



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7. Committee updates

Member Kurtz reported that Heritage Ridge surface is still problematic.

Member Ayers reported concerns about park equipment on Nextdoor app and quick response of staff to comment on community concerns.

8. Adjourn

Next meeting: March 3, 2021 @ 6pm

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Addendum: Zoom Meeting Chat Transcript

18:02:27 From Sandra : Hi - I believe folks are on due to the Master Plan change of the Berthoud

18:02:44 From Sandra : sorry Reservoir ...

18:10:09 From Karl Ayers to anny (Privately) : Zoe, how do you spell your last name?

18:13:27 From Sandy Buss Johnson : Why is Berthoud Lake not open to kayaks?

18:13:27 From Ann Baker : Hi, my name is Ann Baker, and I have public comment.
Thank you.

18:13:31 From Paula Megenhardt : I have concerns about access to Berthoud Reservoir

18:14:00 From Shannon Kylo : Hi, my name is Shannon and I am also here to ask about the Berthoud Reservoir.

18:14:04 From Fawn Floyd-Baltzer : Resident of Prairie Star and interested in more information about changes to Berthoud Reservoir.

18:16:53 From Tyler Bartlett : Hello, we are a resident of the Berthoud Lake Ranchettes neighborhood, and are also looking for clarification on the watercraft access to Berthoud Lake. We have heard mixed things, from various employees of the town, which seem to be conflicting about what the plans are to allow kayaks and paddle boards

18:17:01 From anny to Karl Ayers (Privately) : Hi Karl, my last name is Schoo.
Thanks :)



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- 18:18:18 From Christine Torres : from what I understand the Developer for TPC is meeting next week with the TOB about that area you are talking about. Ann you should send this info to that meeting for the trustess to hear this
- 18:22:44 From Jeremy Call, Logan Simpson : Later on the agenda tonight we will begin a new town-wide open space planning process. We would welcome anyone joining for the first time to listen to the Committee's discussion.
- 18:24:23 From Christine Torres : I would like to speak. This is Christine Torres
- 18:25:45 From Fawn Floyd-Baltzer : So will phase 2 include access for kayaks, paddle boards, etc.? This is still unclear.
- 18:25:49 From Maureen Dower : May I add information from the Trustees?
- 18:26:32 From Christine Torres : I spoke with Jeff Hindman and he disagrees with Josh assessment. We have a large group of people concerned and we would like to be heard
- 18:29:24 From Fawn Floyd-Baltzer : Is financing for an access point the only hindrance for this being permitted?
- 18:30:26 From Shannon Kylo : It doesn't answer my questions, but I understand it's not on the agenda. Access was on the master plan and then there was a sign stating it wasn't allowed. Can you let us know when we might be able to address this issue so we can plan to attend?
- 18:31:51 From Shannon Kylo : Thank you!
- 18:33:25 From Paula Megenhardt : Thank you so much for addressing it as much as you could in this meeting.
- 18:33:30 From Christine Torres : To be clear, I always appreciate Folks helping with our TOB and look forward to more discussion on allowing Nonmotorized Boating as what was spoken to in the Master Plan, Thank you for listening.
- 18:33:39 From Sandra : What is the email to send to ??
- 18:33:50 From Shannon Kylo : Can you please post the email address?
- 18:35:02 From Chris Kurtz : CSamora@berthoud.org
- 18:35:10 From Chris Kurtz : Town Clerk
- 18:35:12 From Maureen Dower : Board of trustees link on Berthoud.org, mine is mdower@berthoud.org
- 18:35:17 From Karl Ayers to anny (Privately) : Thank you.
- 18:35:34 From Josh Embrey : jembrey@berthoud.org 970-532-4256
- 18:49:30 From Phil Klein : On the graphic, what's the difference between "x" and "o"?
- 18:49:43 From Kristina Kachur, Logan Simpson : X- Always present/primary function



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- 18:49:59 From Kristina Kachur, Logan Simpson : O- sometimes present/secondary function/amenity
- 18:50:05 From Christine Torres : What is the meaning of community separator? Separation between residence and natural ecosystems?
- 18:50:08 From Phil Klein : Thanks!
- 18:50:49 From Kristina Kachur, Logan Simpson : Community separator - separation between cities/Towns. Between Berthoud and Mead or Berthoud and Loveland
- 19:04:27 From Christine Torres : With the 450 acres from the Waggener Farm that they let TOB as beneficiary and turned conservation easement. They retain the water rights correct? I watched that town meeting and I believe they have CBT, Hand Ditch and Home Supply. Are they allowed to sell them off or on lease them? Farmers need to know that if they cannot sell them when they turn their property over to conservation easement that can effect them generations down the road financially negatively. The Wagners seemed to realize this but Farmers should be well advised of this
- 19:06:25 From Christine Torres : I believe they retained it and can lease them out
- 19:20:28 From Jeremy Call, Logan Simpson : In regards to survey respondents that "Do Not Live In Berthoud": Survey was distributed using postcards to invite local residents to participate. Mailing was sent to 2,934 residents within the Town of Berthoud.

Postcards included a Web address to log into the survey with two passcodes for household members to participate. Additionally, a resident could request a paper survey form by calling a number on the card. About 15 paper surveys were requested and 10 were completed.

Approximately three weeks after the post cards were sent, an "Open" version of the survey was promoted. Residents of the Town, as well as interested individuals living outside Berthoud were encouraged to participate

- 19:20:43 From Jeremy Call, Logan Simpson : 91 out of 655 total respondents did not live in Berthoud.
- 19:22:18 From Christine Torres : Super appreciate looking into transfer to a non-potable System for parks and open space. Last Water Summit put on by Biz West showed this past years drought increased water consumption by 41% and that majority of that increase was water use for landscape/outside the house use



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19:29:13 From Christine Torres : good info Thanks for asking for input on your recommendations. Again, water will become more scarce and more expensive going forward and thus that is why looking long range at non potable for landscape use is important. THANKS FOR THE PRESENTATION=) Signing out

19:39:19 From Kristina Kachur, Logan Simpson :

<https://logansimpson.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=304e2c450c674fabb4ce9c5c3e7b71ca>

19:42:57 From Jeremy Call, Logan Simpson : Here is a link to the Our Lands-Our Future: Recreation and Conservation Choices for Northern Colorado

19:42:58 From Jeremy Call, Logan Simpson :

<https://www.larimer.org/naturalresources/plans-reports-advisory-boards>

20:05:37 From Jeremy Call, Logan Simpson : What a great meeting! As a reminder: your homework is: 1) Use the online GIS map to answer "where are your priorities?" 2) What are the conservation values of those areas? and lastly, 3) What methods do we pursue to preserve/enhance those areas? Come prepared to outline how to put priorities into action with funding sources, partnerships, incentives, and regulations.