

Grand County Open Lands, Rivers, and Trails Advisory Committee (OLRTAC)
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2023 at 3:00pm

Zoom

Committee Members Present:

Paul Bruchez	District 2 Rep
Mike Crosby	Hot Sulphur Springs Rep
Lauren Huber	Granby Rep
Maura McKnight	Fraser Rep
Laurie Pope	Kremmling Rep
George Sharpe	Winter Park Rep
Cindy Southway	Grand Lake Rep
Stacy Starr	District 1 Rep
Wendy Thompson	District 3 Rep

Others Present:

Anna Drexler-Dreis, OLRTAC, Administrator

- I. Mr. Crosby called the meeting to order at 3:02pm.
 - A. Change to agenda – approve October 6, 2022 meeting minutes.
- II. Conflict of Interest Disclosures
 - A. None reported.
- III. *Mr. Crosby made a motion to approve the October 6, 2022 meeting minutes with the edit to change the meeting location to “Zoom” seconded by Mr. Bruchez, unanimously approved by all Committee members present.*
- IV. Financial report – September 30, 2022 (Attachment #1)
 - A. Funding available for open lands/rivers projects - \$5,365,026.63
 - B. Funding available for trails - \$345,927.71
 - C. *Ms. Starr made a motion to approve the September 30, 2022 financial report, seconded by Mr. Bruchez, unanimously approved by all Committee members present.*
- V. Items of Business
 - A. Introduce new members
 - i. Lauren Huber (Granby rep), George Sharpe (Winter Park rep), and Laurie Pope (Kremmling rep).
 - B. Elect officers (Attachment #2)

- i. *Ms. Pope makes a motion to elect Mike Crosby as Chair, Paul Bruchez as Vice-Chair, Cindy Southway as Treasurer, and Stacy Starr (nominated by Paul Bruchez) as Secretary, seconded by Ms. Thompson, unanimously approved by all Committee members present.*
- C. Marketing & Outreach: 2022 Annual Report (Attachment #3)
 - i. Full page ad in Sky Hi News: \$591.36.
 - ii. Full page ad in Grand Gazette: \$250.00
 - iii. *Ms. Thompson makes a motion to approve the Annual Report with the edit to add OLRTAC names and representation, seconded by Ms. Southway, unanimously approved by all Committee members present.*
- D. Discussion on BOCC workshop
 - i. BOCC workshop will be held January 17 about the sunset and potential reinstatement of Grand County's Open Lands, Rivers, and Trails Fund.
 - ii. Ms. Drexler-Dreis will ask land trust and trail organizations to send any ballot or resolution language changes in advance of the meeting.
 - iii. Items to consider with the current resolution:
 - 1. The requirement of OLRTAC having equal representation and making recommendations to the BOCC has worked well.
 - 2. Consider expanding groups that can apply for funding to Middle Park Water Conservancy District, Colorado River Water Conservation District.
 - 3. Need to better define "maintenance of hiking and biking trails" and communicate with trail groups on the cap. Any cap should be stated in the ballot language and/or blue book.
 - 4. The timing for presenting the ballot question to the voters.
 - 5. Who is taking charge with proposing redlines on the ballot language?
 - iv. Starting the workshop at 1:30pm works for OLRTAC and Grand County. Ms. Drexler-Dreis will ask land and trail organizations if the workshop can start at 1:30pm instead of 1:00pm.
 - v. OLRTAC will have a meeting on January 9 from 1-2pm to review the presentation slides for the workshop.
- E. Update on grants
 - i. HTA: Request to combine annual requests (National Public Lands Day, Adopt-A-Trail, and Winter Trail Grooming) into one Spring grant application

1. OLRTAC members are open to combining National Public Lands Day and Adopt-A-Trail as they are similar in that they are volunteer driven.
 - ii. HTA grant application to pay for trail maintenance crew
 1. This conversation needs to be part of the larger conversation with BOCC and legal.
 - iii. CHLT: Legacy Park Ranch withdrawal letter (Attachment #4)
 1. Fall 2022 grant application has been withdrawn.
- F. Anna Drexler-Dreis 2023 contract (Attachment #5)
- i. Ms. Drexler-Dreis left the room for the discussion.
 - ii. OLRTAC appreciates Ms. Drexler-Dreis' efficiency, involvement in related activities, and work attitude.
 - iii. *Ms. Thompson makes a motion to approve Ms. Drexler-Dreis' contract as presented with an increase in rate to \$87.00/hour due to cost-of-living increases, seconded by Ms. Pope, unanimously approved by all Committee members present.*

VI. Next meetings and important dates

- A. Spring 2023 grant cycle: opens February 6, 2023 / closes March 10, 2023 / recommendations to BOCC April 25, 2023
- B. January 17, 2023 @ 1:30pm: BOCC Workshop
- C. March 16, 2023 @ 3pm: OLRTAC meeting
- D. April 13, 2023 @ 3pm: OLRTAC meeting

VII. Adjournment at 4:46pm. *Ms. Starr makes a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Thompson, unanimously approved by all Committee members present.*