



**Parks & Open Space Advisory Committee
MINUTES**

May 28, 2020
6:30 p.m.

Commissioners' Hearing Room, 3rd Floor
Boulder County Courthouse, 1325 Pearl Street, Boulder, CO

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by James Krug

Members:

Scott Miller
Kira Pasquesi
Heather Williams
James Krug
Jenn Archuleta
Paula Fitzgerald
Steven Meyrich
Trace Baker
Ann Obenchain

Staff:

Michelle Marotti
Janis Whisman
Eric Lane
Renata Frye
Nik Brockman
Vivienne Jannatpour
Mel Stonebraker
Conrad Lattes
Tim Shafer

Approval of the April 23, 2020 Meeting Minutes

ACTION REQUESTED: Minutes Approval

ACTION: Archuleta moved approval of item. Miller seconded the motion.

VOTE: **AYES:** Miller, Pasquesi, Williams, Krug, Archuleta, Fitzgerald, Meyrich, Baker, Obenchain;

Presentations

Executive Session to Discuss Canino-7M Ranch This discussion will not be open to the public.

ACTION REQUESTED: None, Information item only

ACTION: Baker moved approval of item. Archuleta seconded the motion.

VOTE: **AYES:** Miller, Pasquesi, Williams, Krug, Archuleta, Fitzgerald, Meyrich, Baker, Obenchain;

Canino-7M Ranch Acquisition

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommendation to BOCC

PRESENTER: Mel Stonebraker, Land Officer

ACTION: Fitzgerald moved approval of item. Archuleta seconded the motion.

VOTE: **AYES:** Miller, Pasquesi, Williams, Krug, Archuleta, Fitzgerald, Meyrich, Baker, Obenchain;

Century Link Acquisition

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommendation to BOCC

PRESENTER: Janis Whisman, Real Estate Division Manager

Public Comment:

Audrey Tobin, 3555 Bison Dr., Boulder. She commented in favor of the acquisition.

ACTION: Pasquesi moved approval of item. Baker seconded the motion.

VOTE: **AYES:** Miller, Pasquesi, Williams, Krug, Archuleta, Fitzgerald, Meyrich, Baker, Obenchain;

Use Preferences and Visitor Experiences of People with Disabilities on Parks & Open Space

ACTION REQUESTED: None, Information item only

PRESENTER: Michelle Marotti, Education and Outreach Specialist

Kira Pasquesi shared this link: <https://assets.bouldercounty.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/accessible-trails-and-natural-sites-guide.pdf>

Post-Flood Monitoring of Preble's Meadow Jumping Mouse

ACTION REQUESTED: None, Information item only

PRESENTER: Tim Shafer, Wildlife Biologist

Director's Update

- The Community Forestry Sort Yard in Nederland will open on Wednesday, June 3. The Meeker Sort Yard near Allenspark will open 2 weeks later. These facilities are important resources for mountain communities to take material from wildfire mitigation efforts and reduce our waste stream.
- Last month, I shared with you that our trails have seen record numbers of visitors. Tonight, I have a few figures to quantify.
 - Betasso has seen doubled visitation.
 - Carolyn Holmberg Preserve at Rock Creek Farm has seen tripled visitation.
 - Overall, we've experienced a 36% increase in visitors over April 2019.

Overall Update:

Buildings and Historic Preservation recently completed converting their new tool trailer into a solar-powered mobile wood shop. It's a thoughtful and inventive innovation that allows them to work on field construction projects using 100% clean energy. A lot of credit goes to Mike Lohr for designing and building it. Now, all of the power tools they need are running without the constant droning hum of a large gas generator - annoying them, the wildlife, and the public.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:49 PM