



Parks & Open Space

Parks & Open Space Advisory Committee MINUTES

October 28, 2021
6:30 p.m.

Virtual Meeting

Call to Order

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

Members:

Heather Williams
James Krug
Jenn Archuleta
Paula Fitzgerald
Trace Baker
Tony Lewis
Janet George
Steven Meyrich -- **Excused**
Ann Obenchain -- **Excused**

Staff:

Therese Glowacki Director
Cassandra Schnarr
Renata Frye
Vivienne Jannatpour
Jeff Moline
Conrad Lattes

Approval of the Sept. 23, 2021 Meeting Minutes

ACTION REQUESTED: Minutes Approval

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

VOTE: **AYES:** Williams, Archuleta, Fitzgerald, Baker, Lewis, George; **ABSTAIN:** James Krug;

EXCUSED: Steven Meyrich, Ann Obenchain;

Public Participation - Items Not on the Agenda

None

Presentations

Updates to the Cropland Policy: Deliberation and Recommendation

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommendation to BOCC

PRESENTER: Cassandra Schnarr, POS Agricultural Division Specialist
Tanner Starbard from MadAg was present to answer questions.

Votes by Staff Recommendation started at 7:36 p.m.

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1. NeoNic Phaseout
 - a. Motion: Paula
 - b. Second: Heather
 - c. Votes: 6 Ayes, 1 Nay (Jim Krug)
2. GE Crops
 - a. Motion: Paula moved to approve recommendation as-is.
 - b. Second: Jim
 - c. Votes: 5 Ayes (Jen, Janet, Trace, Heather, Jim), 2 Nays (Tony, Paula)
 - d. Motion to Amend: Paula (all new requests, including additional sugar beet and corn acres need to be approved by staff)
 - e. Second to amendment: Tony
 - f. Votes: 3 Ayes (Tony, Paula, Jim) 4 Nays (Jen, Janet, Trace, Heather)
3. Soil Health
 - a. Motion: Jim
 - b. Second: Tony
 - c. Votes: All in favor (7-0)
4. Edit Cropland Policy
 - a. Motion: Paula
 - b. Second: Jim
 - c. Votes: All in favor (7-0)

ACTION: moved approval of item. seconded the motion.

VOTE: **AYES:** Williams, Krug, Archuleta, Fitzgerald, Baker, Lewis, George; **EXCUSED:** Steven Meyrich, Ann Obenchain

Director's Update

- The BOCC Cropland Policy decision will be on Thursday, Nov. 4.
- The BOCC Mayhoffer Farm Management Plan decision will be on Thursday, Nov. 4.
- The next POSAC meeting will be on Thursday, Nov. 18.
- The 2021 Outdoor Creations Plein Air Art Show will open with a reception on Friday, Nov. 12, 5-8 p.m. at the Great Frame Up in Longmont. The exhibit will run through Dec. 30.
- The Hessie Shuttle has ended for the season. This year saw nearly 34,000 riders.
- Heil Valley Ranch recovery continues with detailed design work.
- We are evaluating a temporary or permanent reroute to accommodate a new Golden Eagle nest. The original nest was destroyed in the Cal-Wood fire and the new nest is too close to the trail.
- The CSU Extension office, located at the fairgrounds, experienced flooding due to a frozen pipe last winter and has just reopened.
- The Fairgrounds Master Plan is in the works. There will be an open house for the public at the Exhibits building on Tuesday, Nov. 16, 5-7:30 p.m.
- The 5-year Visitor Study is complete, and we are compiling the results and will bring those to POSAC in the coming months.
- The Recreation & Facilities Manager position and Senior Ranger position are currently interviewing candidates.
- Entries for cut-your-own Christmas tree permits are due Sunday, Nov. 14. at midnight. One hundred permits will be issued.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:14 p.m.