



**Parks & Open Space Advisory Committee
MINUTES**

November 18, 2021
6:30 p.m.

Virtual Meeting

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by James Krug

Members:

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

Staff:

Therese Glowacki Director
Vivienne Jannatpour
Renata Frye
Nik Brockman
Tina Burghardt
Tina Nielsen
Janis Whisman
Mike Foster
Jeff Moline
Mary Olson
Audrey Butler
Jason Sauer
Conrad Lattes

Approval of the October 28, 2021 Meeting Minutes

ACTION REQUESTED: Minutes Approval

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

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

Approval of the October 21, 2021 Joint Meeting Minutes

ACTION REQUESTED: Minutes Approval

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

VOTE: **AYES:** Archuleta, Meyrich, Baker, Obenchain, Lewis, George; **ABSTAIN:** Heather Williams, James Krug, Paula Fitzgerald;

Election to Select New POSAC Vice Chair

ACTION REQUESTED: Minutes Approval

Jenn Archuleta nominated Paula Fitzgerald. Jim Krug seconded. Unanimous vote.

ACTION: moved approval of item. seconded the motion.

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

Public Participation - Items Not on the Agenda

Steven Todd, 99 Model T Rd, Boulder. He voiced his concerns about not allowing public comments on the Cropland Policy Update edits.

Presentations

Liley, Roberts (SIMI), Thompson (Tommy), and Valley Investments –2021 Transfer of Management

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommendation to BOCC

PRESENTER:Tina Burghardt, Senior Land Officer

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

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

Barrett 2 – 2021 Access Easement Relinquishment

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommendation to BOCC

PRESENTER:Tina Burghardt, Senior Land Officer

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

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

Review of Proposed Cropland Policy Amendments

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommendation to BOCC

PRESENTER:Cassandra Schnarr, Agricultural Resources Supervisor

Paula Fitzgerald moved to vote on the Cropland Policy Revision and Summary Recommendations separately. Motion carried unanimously.

Paula Fitzgerald moved to approve item 6a of the Cropland Policy Revision as presented in the packet., excluding Summary Recommendations presented during the meeting. Jim Krug seconded. Motion carried unanimously, Ann Obenchain and Steven Meyrich abstained.

Tony Lewis made an amendment to change the language in the Neonicotinoid Pesticides section to add the word “currently” to the sentence “Tenant farmers who currently operate under a Shareholder Agreement with Western Sugar Cooperative are excluded...”

Tony Lewis made a second amendment to change the language to insert the word “extreme” to the sentence “It will be subject to an evaluation of environmental and economic sustainability considerations, including but not limited to when justified by extreme pest pressure...”

Paula Fitzgerald seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Steven Meyrich abstained.

Trace Baker moved to accept the Summary Recommendations as presented. Jenn Archuleta seconded. Motion carried 4-3 with two abstentions.

ACTION: moved approval of item. seconded the motion.

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

Parks & Open Space 2022 Capital and Stewardship Project Funding

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommendation to BOCC

PRESENTER: Tina Nielsen, Special Projects

The following staff gave a recorded presentation:

Jason Sauer

Audrey Butler

Mary Olson

Carol Beam

Stefan Reinold

David Hirt

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

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

Director's Update

- The Outdoor Creations Plein Air Art Show is open now at the Great Frame Up in Longmont and will run through Dec. 30.
- The Braly Property on 63rd St. will get a decorative “fireman’s hat” cover on one of its silos.
- The application period for research proposals on Boulder County open space land has opened. We give up to \$10k for each project selected. Applications will be accepted through Dec. 10.
- Lucero Torres has been hired as Senior park Ranger. She comes from Cherry Creek State Park and she is fluent in both Spanish and English and she will help us implement our CRISP plan.
- Our Weed group will complete an aerial application of Rejuvra. The application will target cheatgrass at Ron Stewart Preserve at Rabbit Mountain and Indian Mountain.
- The Red Hill Elk Management Program has ended for the season. We had 33 hunters harvested 10 elk and have helped the herd to move. The Ron Stewart Preserve at Rabbit Mountain Elk Management Program is ongoing and will continue through the end of January.
- Our Plant Ecology working group hired a contractor to remove 600 nonnative trees along the St. Vrain River on the Bullock property. This project will help with flood restoration and improved riparian habitat.
- Our foresters completed a prescribed fire at Hall Ranch last week.
- The Lefthand Outdoor Challenge is a teen’s group that works throughout the school year. They stacked firewood at Hall Ranch which will be used by the American Indian Veterans’ Group who uses Indian Mountain for their sweat lodges.
- Our department would like to propose having a consent agenda for certain real estate items. This would streamline our process. POSAC will still have the opportunity for further discussion if requested.
- Saturday, Feb. 5 is the date selected for the annual POSAC Retreat.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:36 PM