



**Open Space & Recreation Advisory Committee
Approved Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at 9:00 AM
Council Chambers - Eagle Town Hall
200 Broadway Eagle, CO 81631**

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9:00 a.m. CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL

Call to Order at: 9:02am

Roll Call:

Committee members present: Erinn Hoban, Ernest Saeger, Jessica Foulis, Roger Mitchell, and Anna Nakea

Committee members absent: Phil Kirkman, Chris Kehoe, and Lizzy Owens

Staff Present: Brian Lieberman- Open Space and Trails Manager

Town Council Present: Ellen Bodenheimer

9:05 a.m. PUBLIC COMMENT

- None.

9:10 a.m. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY MINUTES

MOTION to approve the FEBRUARY OSRAC meeting minutes by Saeger and second by Mitchell. Motion passed with a vote of 5 in favor (Mitchell, Foulis, Saeger, Nakea, and Hoban) and 0 opposed.

9:15 a.m. DISCUSSION/ BUSINESS ITEMS

Open Space Interpretive Signage Project Update

- Staff presented an update on the Open Space Interpretive Signage project.
- The Committee discussed the project, asked staff questions, and provided suggestions.
- The new interpretive signage will be installed along the Brush Creek paved path, at the Haymaker Trailhead, and the Brush Creek Pavilion.
- The goal of the signage is to focus on local wildlife, ecosystems, and open space education. Specifically, the messaging is focused on how we can coexist with wildlife and reduce our impact, particularly during the winter months.
- The signs will also include information about fishing for families at the fishing-is-fun pond.
- The signs attempt to minimize text and focus on pictures with a call to action.
- Signage will be in English and Spanish.
- The signage is expected to be installed by the end of summer 2024.

Open Space Riparian Enhancements Update

- Staff presented an update on developing a restoration project based on the results from the Town's 2023 Open Space Management Plans.
- Staff is developing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for design, permitting, and construction services to address impaired resources along Brush Creek that were identified in the Management Plans.
- Staff budgeted \$80,000 for a restoration project for 2024. This can be used to fund a smaller scale restoration project, or for planning a larger restoration project.
- Additional funding is planned for future years. The RFP will request that the proposal suggest the size of the restoration project.
- Volunteer projects could be available with local organizations to support this project.

Spring Open Space Projects Update

- Staff presented the current list for spring open space projects. These projects are in addition to ongoing operational projects, such as noxious weed treatments and pest management. The project list will grow and change as we approach spring.

New Business/ Future Agenda Items

- Anna Nakea will be accepting another professional position outside of the state so her last day on OSRAC will be April 2.
 - o Staff will release an application for a new member on OSRAC to replace Anna's appointment.
- A Committee member suggested that the Town consider some pinion and juniper mitigation along the 3rd Gulch Area and Abrams Creek.

- Staff informed the Committee that some juniper mitigation has already occurred in partnership with Eagle Valley Wildland for fuel mitigation.
- Staff will invite Hugh with Eagle Valley Wildland to present upcoming goals and projects in Town open space at the next meeting.

10:25 a.m. ADJOURN

MOTION to ADJOURN at 10:08 by Saeger and second by Foulis. Motion passed with a vote of 5 in favor (Mitchell, Foulis, Saeger, Nakea, and Hoban) and 0 opposed.