



**Open Space & Recreation Advisory Committee
Approved Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 1, 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: 9:02 a.m.

Roll Call:

Committee members present: Phil Kirkman, Ernest Seager, Jessica Foulis, Dan Lambert, Erinn Hoban, and Chris Kehoe

Committee members absent: Roger Mitchell

Staff Present: Brian Lieberman, Open Space and Trails Manager

Town Council Present: Ellen Bodenheimer

9:05 a.m. PUBLIC COMMENT (Non-Agenda Items; 3-Minute Limit Please)

- A member of the public told the Committee that there was no “historic” or “traditional” access for motorized users on the Second Gulch trail. They said the ability for motorized access on the Second Gulch Trail below 50 inches in width was for game retrieval only.

- A member of the public expressed concern about erosion on trails, mainly on lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management adjacent to Eagle. They suggested that more attention is needed from agencies and volunteers to address the issue.

9:10 a.m. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION to adopt the Agenda as presented by Foulis and seconded by Lambert. Motion passed with a vote of 6 in favor (Kehoe, Seager, Hoban, Kirkman, Lambert, and Foulis) and 0 opposed.

9:13 a.m. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER MINUTES

MOTION to approve the September OSRAC meeting minutes by Lambert and second by Foulis. Motion passed with a vote of 6 in favor (Kehoe, Seager, Hoban, Kirkman, Lambert, and Foulis) and 0 opposed.

9:15 a.m. DISCUSSION/ BUSINESS ITEMS

Open Space Fund Budget preparation and prioritization

- Staff presented changes to the Open Space Fund budget since the last presentation in August.
- Mainly, staff was requested to reduce funding from the general fund transfer by 5%. Staff made adjustments in operating expenditures by 5%.
- Staff informed the Committee that the Open Space Ranger position continues to be a high priority for the Town Council.
- Staff said that revenues will need to be increased or expenditures decreased to support the position from the Open Space Fund. Therefore, staff requested that the Committee assist in identifying capital project priorities and if anything could be reduced or pushed back.
- In general, the Committee supported the ranger position and capital projects. They suggested pursuing grants and partnerships to complete all projects.
- The Committee accepted public comment.

Committee bylaws update

- At the September 24, 2024, Town Council meeting, the Council passed a resolution permitting them to adjust OSRAC terms to achieve staggered appointments.
- Staff will need to prepare a separate resolution proposing the adjustment of actual terms during a future Council meeting. The Council will make final term adjustments at its decision.
- The original four members would expire in 2024 while the three newest members will be expiring in 2026.
- OSRAC members seemed to be supportive of the above approach to achieve staggered terms.
- The Committee accepted public comment.

Joint work session prep

- Staff asked the Committee to consider if there are any additional topics to discuss at the upcoming joint OSRAC/Council meeting.
- The Committee seemed to be in favor of discussing the items listed on the agenda for the meeting and summarizing the Open Space Fund Budget preparation and prioritization discussion.
- The Committee accepted public comment.

New Business/ Future Agenda items

- Interpretive signs were installed along Brush Creek last month.
- Staff would like to reschedule a site visit or meeting to discuss proposed fuel mitigation projects in open space.

10:00 a.m. ADJOURN

MOTION to ADJOURN at 10:23 by Foulis second by Lambert. Motion passed with a vote of 6 in favor (Kehoe, Foulis, Saeger, Lambert, Kirkman, and Hoban) and 0 opposed.

10:10 a.m. OSRAC SITE VISIT TO BRUSH CREEK OPEN SPACE

- ***Canceled- postponed to another date.***