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PORT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**Town Board Room
807 Mountain Avenue
Town of Berthoud, Colorado
Wednesday, May 31, 2023 6:15 p.m.**

This is an IN-PERSON meeting at the location and time noted above

You may also join virtually using Zoom

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1. Call to Order – Meeting was called to order at 6:20PM.

2. Roll Call

- Tim Grover – Chair – Here
- Lauren Roth – Vice Chair – Here
- Anna Murphy – Secretary – Here
- Jose Cabrera – Not Here
- Carolyn Hobson – Here
- Callie West – Here
- Joe Donnelly – Here
- Daniel Hatton, BYAC Liaison – Not Here
- Karl Ayers, Trustee Liaison – Here
- Keith Knoll, Staff Representative – Here

3. Approval of Minutes – Wednesday, May 3, 2023

- C. Hobson motioned to approve minutes from the previous PORT committee meeting. L. Roth seconded. No discussion. All in favor.

4. Public Comment – Non-Discussion Items

- The President of the Berthoud Pickleball Club asked the PORT committee and Trustee Ayers give strong consideration to hold off the development of Town Park until after October 1st (when the pickleball courts at Waggener Farm Park are to be completed). The club was aware that Town Park was coming soon on the Town

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Board agenda. They noted the Rec. department won't schedule past June 27 for clubs.

- One pickleball supporter noted that he moved to Berthoud about three years ago and has met several great people through pickleball. The cost is \$20 to join the Pickleball club. He noted two people that had never played before showed up to the pickleball courts, and he taught these two people how to play pickleball for the next two hours. It would be sad to miss that outdoor pickleball experience. In order to play pickleball at the rec center, you must be a member of the rec center.
- Another pickleball supporter ("Vicki") asked about the construction schedule for Town Park and asked if the pickleball courts at Town Park could be the last to be pulled from Town Park.
- Another pickleball supporter ("Doug") reiterated the desire to make sure the pickleball courts at Town Park remain open until the new ones at Waggener Farm Park are built.
- K. Ayers noted that Town Park will be brought to the Board sometime in June for approval. The Town is working with the main general contractor on pricing. They haven't been involved with scheduling meetings yet. The project has been extended for the bidding process. The general contractor must send out bids to sub-contractors as well. The timeline for completion of the pickleball courts at Waggener is mid-October of 2023. It was noted that Town Park requires more infrastructure (e.g., water lines) and more coordination among contractors and sub-contractors; thus, it has taken longer.

5. Discussion Items

- **A. Tour Re-cap**

- The PORT committee visited Town Park, Pioneer Park, the Rookery, the Berthoud Bike Park, the Berthoud Parkway connection, and Knievel prior to the PORT meeting. K. Knoll happy the group went out to the Rookery.
- The bike park was too muddy to walk. Suggestion to have a free orientation to the bike park, including safety and how to use the park. Suggestion to Amanda to reach out to 303 Dirt and CenTown (used to be Cyclismo) Fort Collins, Boulder Bike Club, etc... to see if they'd be willing to do a skills day for the youth at the bike park. This would be an even people register in advance for. There were similar demos at Skate-a-palooza.
- Jaskowski is an upcoming agenda item and K. Knoll noted a formal request from the Town Board might be more impactful than asking Open Lands what's possible. Open Lands had an issue with proposed disc golf holes being too close to the water (wetlands).

6. Staff updates – PORT Tour Date, Parks, Open Space, Recreation, Trails

- K. Knoll – Berthoud Day is June 3rd. Scorch Fest is the week after. Then, the July 3rd celebration. The Farmer's market at Fickel Park has been moved to Thurs. nights.
- **Monday, June 26 @ 6:00PM** will be the joint Tree-PORT committee meeting to discuss the arboretum. Preliminary comments from both committees were similar. There will not be a July meeting for PORT.

7. Committee updates

- T. Grover thanked staff for putting new material in at Bein Park. K. Knoll noted the Park staff has always been short-staffed. Now, they have Forestry and Open Space working together.
- A. Murphy and PORT thanked K. Knoll for organizing the tour. Touring on the B.A.T.S. bus was a nice touch.
- C. Hobson noted with all the rain, the area west of Berthoud Pkwy. Had ponds. The retention ponds are all backed up, and some have failed. The Army Corps of Engineers was involved with the creek that goes through Hillsdale.

8. Adjourn

- L. Roth motioned to adjourn meeting; C. West seconded, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:53PM.

Next meeting: Monday, June 26, 2023: 6:00 pm PORT meeting. If you require a special accommodation, please contact the Town Clerk 24 hours in advance at (970) 532-2643.