

Beaver Creek Property Owners Association Annual Meeting Minutes at the May Gallery of the VPAC and virtual via ZOOM 8.24.22 from 4:30 pm

The Beaver Creek Property Owner's Association Annual Board of Directors meetings was called to order at 4:30 PM by President, Bruce Kiely. The meeting was held via the Zoom Webinar platform and in person at the May Gallery of the VPAC. Board members, note taker and panelists were visible and audible to owners throughout the meeting.

- 1. <u>Call to Order and Welcome, Bruce Kiely:</u> welcome note to everyone present.
- 2. <u>President's Report</u>: Bruce Kiely explains more about the various partners that will be addressing the BCPOA members during this Annual Meeting. Bruce provides more information about the BCPOA and the purpose of this group. BCPOA spends a tremendous amount of time working with partners to make Beaver Creek the best place to live, work and play. At tonight's annual meeting they will provide updates from community partners and board members for the 2022/2023 season.
- 3. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>, Richard Massman: provides summary of the financial position of the BCPOA up to this point; financials are healthy and the budgeted expenses and income are very much in-line as to what the BCPOA has been expecting to date. Richard explains more about the expenses during the 2022 FY (including-landscaping and village improvement projects, VPAC tickets for members, etc.). Additional info shared:
 - a. Membership is 540 out of 1450 resident units in Beaver Creek. This is down from a high of 682 in 2015.
 - b. The budget for 2022 provided for both Summer and Winter Social Events. The Summer Social event came in under budget by \$5,000.
 - c. Expenses incurred to date for 2022 are in line with prior years and the 2022 Budget; additional funds have been reserved for community enhancements projects to be determined.
- 4. <u>Membership Report</u>, Jane Heller/Laurie Herzog: provides a brief summary of the results of their campaign to grow the membership of the BCPOA. In 2022, from January to August there are 33 new (net) members; this does not include homeowners that sell their property and then are no longer eligible to be members of the BCPOA. Jane and Laurie share various strategies that they have found to be successful to engage new members of the BCPOA.

- 5. **Social Committee Report**, Sara Friedle: Sara briefly shares an update on the Summer Fiesta Social that took place on July 3 which was an extremely successful event that brought the community together. The 2023 Summer Social will take place in a similar manner; stay tuned for more information.
- 6. **Guest speaker from Beaver Creek Resort Company.** Jim Clancy, Executive Director: Jim provides updates on BCRC for 2022 such as: Lighting improvements updates in the village, various community event updates, Creekside patio project, Birds of Prey 2022, Octoberfest, Tree Lighting, etc. Jim continues to answer questions from guests about additional updates in the village and the long-term strategic plan.
- 7. Guest Speaker from Beaver Creek Metro District, Dave Eickholt, President of the Metropolitan District: Dave provides a brief update on the Metro District and the role that they play in the community, along with the various partners that they work closely with (ERFPD, BCRC, etc.). Dave explains briefly that Metro has committed to wildfire mitigation, in partnership with the BCRC, to clear 700 acres and create defensive fire breaks in the Beaver Creek area with a committed 2.3 million dollars cost to be shared 50/50 with the BCRC. Dave also provides updates on the Upper Eagle Regional Water Authority (Beaver Creek is 1 of 6 members) and the proposed unification of the Upper Eagle River Water Authority with the Eagle River Water and Sanitation District (ERWSD). This unification would leave Beaver Creek without a vote on water usage fees, taxation, voting rights, water management, etc. These two entities have since created a redirected priority on creating a stable water supply for the next 20-30 years (which includes education and enforcement of water usage for homeowners).

Dave goes on to explain information about the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) and the ballot initiative to improve and increase public transit to get employees and potential employees to work using public transit. The RTA includes an expanded and interconnected bus transit system which will support coordinated routes and schedules to be more efficient (more routes, more frequent service on these routes, and an increase in ridership). Anticipated annual ridership will go from 1.3 million to 2 million per year which is an increase of 2K people per day. Additionally, the RTA will open up 1,000 parking spaces in the valley, as well as reduce the carbon footprint and help to alleviate traffic congestion. The initiative will include a ½ of 1% sales tax increase and will raise about \$15 million per year and will be on Ballot 6A this fall. Dave requests the BCPOA voting members vote YES on on Ballot 6A.

Traffic and Pedestrian Safety: Dave shared that a traffic safety assessment confirmed that a safety (near-term and long-term) solution is needed. BCMD will continue to monitor traffic and discuss solutions to the traffic skier/pedestrian safety issues.

Village Lighting: Metro is responsible for safety lighting throughout the village and on the streets. They will be embarking, along with the BCRC, on a project to update all of the lighting fixtures to ensure safety of guests and homeowners.

- 8. Guest Speaker from the Vilar Performing Arts Center: Owen Hutchinson, Director: Owen shares his gratitude for the guests and patrons of the VPAC and discusses upcoming events for the fall and winter seasons. 2023 is the twenty-five-year anniversary of the VPAC; stay tuned for various events taking place during the holiday and winter season to celebrate this milestone. Facility projects include an upgrade of The HVAC system and of the sound system in the VPAC. A stunning chandelier will be placed in the stairway and will be unveiled in the days prior to Christmas thanks to the underwriting costs of the chandelier by the Rippeto family. Owen shares many of the wonderful performances taking place during the winter 2022/23 season (www.vilarpac.org).
- 9. **Guest Speakers from the Greater Eagle County Fire Protection District:** Hugh Fairfield-Smith and Chief Karl Bauer: Chief Bauer attends virtually and shares brief updates on fire mitigation in the Beaver Creek area. There are a number of mitigation measures throughout Eagle County due to the ever-growing threat of wildland fires facing our communities. Several years ago, Eagle River Fire joined forces with and Greater Eagle Fire to establish Eagle Valley Wildland as a collaborative effort between existing fire districts (subsequently the Gypsum Fire District and Eagle County joined the group as well). They realize that this collaborative is stronger when they work together. Hugh Fairfield-Smith (wildfire coordinator for Eagle County) continues to share information about the work on the ground that is taking place, and what is planned for the future. Hugh shares various measures about the wildland fire mitigation taking place such as fuel treatments, the creation of masticated fuel breaks, reduction and altering of fuels, etc. The "piles" of fuel that you may see on the mountain are being saved for perfect early winter conditions for burning, ideally when it is snowing to capture the smoke. Hugh shares photos of fuel breaks and explains the method of treating the sick and dead trees and the brush; this is shown as a contras_to the healthy trees and ecosystems. Hugh explains that they have collaborated with the Division of Wildlife to ensure healthy ecosystems remain in place.
- 10. **Public Comment**: A homeowner shares his concern about the possibility of a new townhome development taking place at the base of Beaver Creek mountain, right near Mirabelle restaurant. Concerns include:
 - Traffic and safety
 - Wetland proximity
 - Home value reductions
 - Change historical, low density character of BCD
 - Construction and post construction traffic and congestion issues- BCD was not built to handle construction traffic or increased housing density traffic.
 - No space on BCD or in construction area for vehicles
 - The traffic issues create safety issues for all residents in that area and for the hundreds of people who jog, walk their dogs, their baby carriages and their children along that quiet non-busy road.
 - Disturb or ruin a major wildlife preserve from Mirabelle along BCD hillside.

Bruce responds assuring members that the BCPOA will be monitoring this situation closely and will take action if needed.

11. <u>Adjourn: 6:30 pm</u> Bruce Kiely adjourns the meeting after thanking everyone for their contributions and attendance.