AGENDA
Tuesday, June 9, 2015, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.,
Bison Room, Natural Resources Administrative Offices, 1800 S. County Road 31, Loveland

The mission of the Larimer County Parks and Open Lands Department is to establish, protect, and manage significant regional parks and open lands, providing quality outdoor recreational opportunities and stewardship of natural resource values. We are committed to fostering a sense of community and appreciation for the natural and agricultural heritage of Larimer County for present and future generations.

Please call Deb at 619-4575 if you are unable to attend this meeting. Votes require a quorum. Thanks!

5:30 REGULAR MEETING OPENING – 5 minutes
- Meeting called to order by Chair
- Approve minutes of last meeting
- Review Agenda and enclosures

5:35 BOARD MEMBER REPORTS – if any

5:40 PUBLIC COMMENT: Items not on the agenda

5:45 GENERAL INFORMATION: (10 min.)
- Natural Resource Events for this month: See website http://www.larimer.org/naturalresources.
- To sign up for Parks Advisory Board minutes go to http://larimer.org/subscriptions.cfm put in your email and click ‘subscribe’, then check “Parks Advisory Board” box.
- The 2014 Natural Resources Annual Report is complete.
- The Community Relations Specialist position has been filled. Teddy Parker-Renga will start on June 1; and will be at a future meeting for introductions.
- Staff attended the CPW Partners in the Outdoors conference.
- Boulder County is offering farm and water tours on June 13 and 23 (as well as in July and August) for $20, includes lunch. For more info and registration go to http://www.bouldercounty.org/os/events/pages/agtours.aspx
- The Board of County Commissioners recommended the Open Lands Master Plan to the Planning Commission, who approved it on Wednesday, May 20, 2015. We will have printed copies soon.
- A new revised DRAFT Big Thompson Canyon Conservation & Recreation Plan has been posted to the website for public review. All feedback and comments are due by end of May. A survey is also available on the website for additional information.
- Get Outdoors Day is June 13 – please make an effort to attend this wonderful family event led by Larimer County! Larimer County is the lead again this year and Heather and Pam are doing a great job! (Heather Young is our Education Coordinator; Pam Mayhew is our Volunteer Coordinator.)
- Rick Andersen, the Loveland Open Lands Manager has resigned his position. Loveland is looking at restructuring before hiring again, and Marilyn Hilgenberg has been appointed as interim.
- SB206, the Colorado Coalition of Land Trust bill to reform the conservation easement tax credit passed 59-4 on May 6. The bill now heads to the Governor’s desk for signature.
Natural Resources reached an agreement with the Planning Department to monitor 8 conservation easements that were accepted by the Rural Land Use Program in past years. This brings us in to compliance with state certification requirements.

5:55 PRESENTATIONS:
- Smoke-free Trails Regulation – Jan Moraczewski, Larimer County Health & Environment (30 min)

6:25 DISCUSSION ITEMS:
- Big Thompson Conservation and Recreation Assessment: Update on Final Draft Plan – Zac Wiebe, (20 min)

6:45 BREAK

ACTION ITEMS: None

6:55 STANDING AGENDA ITEMS:
- Park District updates and Parks Master Plan Implementation Progress report – Dan Rieves, Carter Lake District Manager; and Mark Caughlan, Horsetooth District Manager (10 minutes)

7:05 DIRECTOR’S REPORT (10 minutes)

7:15 MEETING ADJOURN

Next regular meeting: July 14, 2015, Bison Room, Natural Resources Administrative Offices, 1800 S. County Road 31, Loveland, CO

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