Roll Call

Dennis Kuhn called the February 15, 2010 BOSAC meeting to order at 5:38 pm. Other BOSAC members present included Scott Yule, Monique Merrill, Ellen Hollinshead, Erin Hunter, and Jeff Cospolich. Staff members present were Heide Andersen, Scott Reid, Mark Truckey, and Lynn Zwaagstra.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were approved as presented.

Approval of Agenda

An Executive Session was added to the agenda.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Staff Summary

Hidden Gems Update

Ms. Hollinshead: There is a meeting Thursday between the Summit Fat Tire Society and the Hidden Gems organizers to discuss companion designations. This is a big step in the right direction.

Wellington Oro Water Treatment Plant Costs

Mr. Truckey: We are required via consent decree to operate this water treatment plant. We are still in an experimental phase with the plant. Staff will keep BOSAC posted on any costs changes.

Trail Map and Marking

Mr. Reid updated BOSAC on the proposal to stripe several routes around town to improve bicycling wayfinding and safety. Council has requested that BOSAC consider dedicating up to \$10,000 to the pavement marking effort to help complete the project in 2010.

Ms. Hunter: I think it is odd that Council has asked open space and trails for a project that is neither open space nor trails. Maybe we should give less than the \$10,000 needed. A quarter of the \$10,000 as a onetime cost seems reasonable (\$2,500). I think the rest should be coming from the Town's road budget. I don't think it should really be coming from open space, but am willing to contribute to make the project happen.

Ms. Hollinshead: I don't agree with the proposed striping on Main Street. I also don't think we need three striped north/south routes through town. I support a quarter of the money (\$2,500), like Erin. I don't agree with the Main Street striping at all. I don't think people should be on Main; they should ride on routes other than Main Street.

Mr. Cospolich: I am in favor of the concept. It seems odd for it to come out of the open space fund, however. But, this is a good project for the town. I am in favor of 80% of the amount needed (\$8,000).

Mr. Kuhn: I am favor of making the Town more bicycle friendly. I agree with Erin and Ellen. 25% (\$2,500) seems reasonable.

Mr. Yule: I am in favor of the whole cost. \$10,000 for the project seems like a good use of funds.

Ms. Merrill: I don't see the connection for open space here. I don't think open space funds should be spent on pavement markings.

BOSAC was unable to reach consensus regarding funding for the bike lane/ shared use marking on Town streets. Staff will bring the funding issue back to Council for consideration.

Open Space and Trails

Unpatented Mining Claims

Ms. Andersen provided an overview of the issue with unpatented claims on federal and non-federal lands.

BOSAC expressed dismay with the ongoing issue and encouraged staff to take action on this issue as needed.

Dog Waste and Other Signage

Mr. Reid outlined the Leave No Trace (LNT) frontcountry program and the potential for utilizing the nationwide message to help address recreational issue, including dog waste.

Ms. Hunter: I am supportive of the LNT message. But, I think we'll have better success with dog bags and a trash can. I am skeptical of the success of education.

Ms. Hollinshead: Locals are using these trails. Signs are good, but the issue is strictly dog poop, not the rest of the messages on the Animas River Trail sign. The issue is carrying the poop out and throwing it away. Nobody is going to pick it up and put it in their car to take it home to put it in a trash can. Dog poop stations are the only way to go in my mind. I would volunteer to pick up the trash at the B&B Trailhead (one trash can only) once a week during the months of June, July and August. Ideally, however, I would like to see trash cans at the B&B, Reiling Dredge, Lincoln Townsite, Illinois Creek, and the Peaks Trail trailheads.

Ms. Andersen: The County is not interested in helping fund a dog waste/ trash can program. This would fall on the Town only.

Ms. Merrill: What are the costs for trash pickup? (Staff has not researched this cost yet.)

Mr. Cospolich: I agree with joining the LNT program. Education is important, but trash cans will bring compliance. But, I am also worried about costs.

Mr. Yule: I agree with Jeff. I am in favor of a pilot program to deal with this.

Ms. Merrill: Something needs to be done. People are lazy. Peer pressure could work, but I'm not sure it will.

Mr. Kuhn: I agree with adopting the message and educational approach. If that doesn't work, then work on policing and trash pick up.

BOSAC supported participating in the LNT program and working on a frontcountry message focused on dog waste.

BOSAC directed staff to try out a test trash pick up site at the B&B Trailhead. Open Space will pay for the installation of the poop bag installation and trash can. Ellen Hollinshead will collect the trash once a week during the months of June, July and August. The trash bags can be deposited in the dumpster behind Town Hall.

Commissioner Issues

Mr. Kuhn: What is the status of the separate winter use signs? (Awaiting response from USFS contacts). Will the LNT message will be everywhere on the Town system now? (Selectively, yes)

Ms. Hollinshead: What happened with the Gold Run Nordic center and the progress of starting to groom Pegasus again? (Staff will contact Zeke and inquire.) Turk's Trail needs more realignment in a couple of places for skiers. Pruning trails with winter use in mind would be helpful. I think there are several places that the trail needs to be realigned. (Staff will work to plan a site visit to address these concerns.)

Executive Session

Mr. Cospolich made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss a property acquisition. Ms. Hunter seconded the motion. BOSAC entered Executive Session at 7:13 pm. Mr. Cospolich made a motion to exit Executive Session. Ms. Merrill seconded the motion. BOSAC exited Executive Session at 7:27 pm.

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled BOSAC meeting is on March 15, 2010 at 5:30 pm in the Administrative Conference Room in the Breckenridge Town Hall (150 Ski Hill Road).

Mr. Yule motioned to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Cospolich seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Dennis Kuhn, Chair	