Roll Call

Matt Stais called the March 10, 2008 BOSAC meeting to order at 5:36 p.m. Other BOSAC members present included Jeffrey Bergeron, Scott Yule, Dave November, Jeff Cospolich, Ellen Hollinshead and Monique Merrill. Staff members present were Heide Andersen, Scott Reid, Mark Truckey, Peter Grosshuesch and Jim Sanders. Erin McGinnis from McGraphix Creative, Inc. was also present.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were approved as presented.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Staff Summary

Golden Horseshoe Nordic Expansion update

Ms. Hollinshead: I would like to do a site visit on the Peabody 5 km and also learn more about the upper level trails in the lodgepole forest. I am concerned number of trees to be cut down on the proposed Peabody 5 km loop. It is a beautiful forest down there and I think we should focus on the less healthy forest above. It makes me nervous to cut down those trees.

Mr. Sanders: The route runs through a formerly hydrologically mined area, so the forest is very spaced. I would offer to help guide folks along the existing snowshoe route. The Peabody 5 km loop would give us a big bang for the buck. It is the closest to the existing operations and it is accessible to a largest sector of the Nordic skiing population.

Ms. Andersen: The proposed loop is also on Town/County open space, not National Forest, so the permitting process would be streamlined. The loop is also the most accessible area to the broadest skiing audience.

Mr. Bergeron: I don't want this discussion or site visit to slow down the permitting and bidding process. We are unanimous in support of the experimental loop and the permitting necessary to keep that. I have skied the experimental loop a lot this year and I would like to ensure that we retain the grooming on that loop

BOSAC agreed to set a site visit for Monday 3/31 at 4:00 pm at the Peabody TH.

Cucumber Nature/Nordic Center update

Ms. Merrill: Weren't we thinking about moving back the completion of the Nature/ Nordic Center?

Ms. Andersen: We are proceeding with planning and design, not construction. We want to have the plans in place while we have the opportunity, then construct when we are ready.

Open Space and Trails

Cucumber Gulch Preserve signage

BOSAC discussed the design merits of the proposed Cucumber Gulch Preserve signage. Erin McGinnis gathered the comments.

All BOSAC members agreed on the final design for the sign family. The different costs for both the aluminum and the folia materials were discussed.

Mr. Yule: Thank you to Erin. The signs are clear and understandable. I prefer option 2 because it is easier to replace.

Mr. Bergeron: I agree with Scott, although I could go either way. I like the lower number. I will present this to Council tomorrow night.

Ms. McGinnis: You will have flexibility with the replaceable signs.

Mr. Cospolich: I like option 2.

Ms. Hollinshead: I like option 2.

Ms. Merrill: Option two. I like the flexibility of the overall design.

Mr. November: I agree.

Mr. Stais: I agree.

BOSAC unanimously agreed with the sign look, materials and content.

Commissioner Issues

Ms. Hollinshead: The Dayton's proposal for Peak 6 is a concern to me. They are proposing a 150 car parking lot, a church, coffee shop and ski shop. The Peaks TH would have to be moved to accommodate the plans. They have proposed 22 miles of additional trails. There may be a snowshoeing focus because the interpretive snowshoe walks are the most lucrative portion of their business. We need to know what the expansion plans are in regards to the proposed Peak 6 Breckenridge Ski Area expansion.

Mr. Bergeron: I have heard several complaints about grooming quality at the Breckenridge Nordic Center.

Mr. Yule: Are the Daytons looking into incorporating a nature element for the trails at the Breckenridge Nordic Center? It would be a good draw for them.

Mr. Stais: Thank you to Jeffrey for livening up our meetings for the past year.

Next Meeting

In addition to the 3/31 site visit, the next BOSAC meeting is scheduled for 5:30 pm on April 14, 2008 in Breckenridge Town Hall.

Mr. Cospolich motioned to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Hollinshead seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.