

**Boulder Transition Advisory Committee (BTAC)**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, February 6, 2020**

1. The BTAC regular meeting was called to order by Drew Dawson at the Boulder City Hall at 8:01 a.m. with eighteen individuals attending.
2. Motion to approve the January meeting minutes, seconded, and passed.
3. Information provided from area leaders and organizations:
  - a. Chamber. Annual membership drive is underway. Board is in transition and one board vacancy exists. Working on the new Boulder telephone book. Masonic Lodge will be running the car show.
  - b. Boulder Schools. School Resource Officer is on board a few hours a week and it is working well. School play is ongoing and will be participating at the state level. Athletic competitions are in full swing. New journalism class is underway. College signups are in progress.
  - c. City of Boulder. Public meeting was held on beautification ordinance and public input is being encouraged. More meetings and discussion are being planned.
  - d. Faith Group. Food pantry is being stocked. There was an interactive mission session that was held and was very interesting. Churches sponsor a video café for school youth that is regularly attended by around 30 youth. Elevator installed in church to allow better access to basement area.
  - e. Elkhorn Foundation. New officers were elected.
  - f. Jefferson County Commission. Road supervisor position applications are being reviewed. There is a Whitehall road department vacancy. Discussed the solid waste fees will be increasing to cover the increased costs.
  - g. County Events. Event planning for this year is underway. Working on additional public radio sessions. Skijoring event planning is progressing.
  - h. IBC. No report.
  - i. JLDC. Social media class held in Whitehall had over 30 participants and received good reviews. Work continues to progress with the wind developer. Golden Sunlight Mine waterline infrastructure upgrades and project bonding is progressing. Concentrator project is moving forward with engineering/permitting with final corporate project decision being made this month. Working on the MDC reutilization, meat processing plant and the Western Legacy Center. Working with four new potential businesses.
  - j. YDI. Staff positions are full. Residents beds are near capacity. Conceptual drawing of the proposed new facility upgrade was presented and fund raising is ongoing.
  - k. Riverside. No report.
  - l. Elkhorn. No report.
  - m. Prevention. Youth Super Bowl parties went well in both Whitehall and Boulder with around 100 youth participated. Mental Health Advisory Council meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month.
4. Master Plan Implementation.
  - a. Boulder Development Fund. Reviewed the status of the 15 projects as presented in the annual report. Façade improvement program has applications that are being reviewed.
  - b. Community Health Committee. New committee being organized.
  - c. Marketing Committee. Gateway Sign discussions are ongoing. Reviewed a draft brochure. River Trail project moving forward with Planning Board.
  - d. MDC Facility Reutilization. Survey is moving forward. Brownfields Phase I on the historic administrative building is complete and Phase II is in process. Coordination meeting with St. James and VA Hospital went well on development of a pain management center.
  - e. Targeted Economic Development District: Ongoing discussions about a central district.
  - f. Boulder Public Transportation: Discussed the Whitehall transportation will be expanding limited services to Boulder July 1<sup>st</sup>. Discussion followed, and a presentation will be planned for the March meeting.
5. Public Comment. Animal shelter planning is moving forward.
6. Andrew Connor did a presentation on the community ownership model for economic development. He discussed how communities can come together and invest in needed projects that would be owned by the community individuals. Good discussion on possibilities followed and further discussions will be after the BTAC meeting.
7. Meeting adjourned at 9:07 a.m. Next meeting March 5th at 8 a.m. at the Boulder City Hall.