

Boulder Transitional Advisory Committee (BTAC)

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 5, 2021

The BTAC meeting called to order by Drew Dawson with Eric Seidensticker, LaDana Hintz, Bruce Binkowski, Jan Zeitlow, Barb Reiter, Leonard Wortman, Tim Norbeck, Sally Buckles, Cory Kirsch, Jeff Elliot, Rhonda Craft, Jan Anderson, Phil Yanzick, Rusty Giulio, Jay Nelson, Devyn Ottman, Pam Hannah, Jessica Holdren, Kerri Kumasaka.
July 2021 minutes were approved.

Meeting started with introductions. Information provided from area leadership and organizations:

- **Chamber** – Events are continuing to happen throughout the Summer. There will be a car show and art festival.
- **Boulder Schools** – Up grades to one of the boiler systems. Recently hired an instructional coach. The gym is finished and looks great. Both superintendents continue to work together.
- **Boulder City** – Working on securing the facility that would house new childcare services. Funds were requested from the County and approved. Street work and maintenance is on-going.
- **Faith Group** – No report.
- **Elkhorn Community Foundation** – Received approval from the State Community Foundation to award small grants.
- **Jefferson County Commission** – Dealing with fires throughout the summer has been cumbersome. A new solid waste manager was hired recently (Michael Myers). The County ARPA template has been approved. County and JLDC will be working together to hire an ARPA Administrator. Taxable Values and Mil projections have been released by the State.
- **County Events** – Fairground's usage is up due to events like weddings and gatherings. Bookings for 2022 have been happening DNRC is using part of the campus for fire relief efforts. However, their presence will not impact the Jefferson County Fair.
- **IBC** – No report
- **YDI** – 4 beds currently open. Working on getting new staff positions filled.
- **JLDC** – Preliminary Architectural Report (PAR) and South Campus Master Plan project is in full swing. First public meeting was held in July. Jessica Holdren/Four Front Design have created an active website and public survey. Working with YDI on redeveloping Building #6. Assisting County with ARPA planning.
- **Riverside** – 42 beds filled. Staffed to capacity.
- **Elkhorn Treatment** – Email sent to Eric/JLDC. Riverside will be appointing a new representative to BTAC.
- **MHP** – Moving from Helena to Boulder is planned for late July/early August. Security updates are happening throughout the campus. MHP/DOJ is planning an open house soon.
- **Prevention** – Prevention will have a booth at the Fairgrounds. LAC committee is meeting the third Thursday of the month. Grant funds have been secured to help with operations.
- **Boulder Childcare** – a new chairperson has been appointed, Devyn Ottman. Devyn introduced herself and her background. ARPA funds from the County have been utilize to secure the purchase of a building in Helena. The working group and JLDC are finalizing a coordinator position for the Childcare facility.
- **County Health Department** – EMS District received a grant from the Montana Healthcare Foundation. The County Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) is moving forward.

Public Comment – No report.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 am. Next meeting will be on September 2nd at 8:00 am in Boulder either in person or Zoom.