

**Advisory Board of the Environment –  
ABE Minutes  
856 Costello Avenue, Fairplay, CO 80440  
Conducted in person room 1101, and by Zoom video conference  
Tuesday January 19, 2021**

**Attending (logged-in)**

Ramon Castro - by Zoom  
Cliff Pugh – by Zoom

John Reiber – In person  
Tyler Stoltzfus – by Zoom  
Bernie Petersen – by Zoom

**Absent:**

Jennifer Migliorato

**Guests: None**

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**Call to Order.** The meeting was conducted by Zoom video conference; Mr. Reiber was at the County Building. Mr. Reiber called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

**Pledge of Allegiance** was not performed, no flag present.

**Roll call of Board members present.** A Quorum is present.

**Consideration of proposed additions to or modifications of the January 19, 2021 agenda.** Mr. Castro motioned to accept the Agenda as written, Mr. Stoltzfus seconded the motion. The Agenda was approved as written.

**Review and approval of minutes of the December 15, 2020 meeting.** Mr. Petersen motioned the November 17, 2020 Minutes be accepted as written. Mr. Pugh seconded the motion. The Minutes were unanimously approved as written.

**Introduction of Board members and members of the public.**

None present

**Remarks or input from members of public.** None presented

**Presentation of pending Land Use Actions and ABE response:**

1. 20SET-07. ABE sent recommendations on this proposal last month, and sees nothing that has changed from the original proposal. The Chairman will ask the planner if there are any further comments from the applicant to the recommendations presented by ABE last month. (last month's comments -ABE has no wildlife concerns but does recommend mitigation of sediment and runoff onto the creek during construction and of rainwater runoff thereafter. Also, ABE is concerned with the plan to have the home waste cross the creek to the leach field. Extreme care and sound construction of the piping is recommended.)
2. 20AMN09. Request to convert two outlots into buildable lots. From the information provided it was difficult to determine what exactly the request was for, ie. What type of building, if any, is planned for

the future. Mr. Stoltzfus voiced concerns regarding that these outlots are typically left for wildlife purposes such as movement corridors etc. ABE will recommend that these stay as outlots until we get further information as to the applicants building desire. Chairman will request further information from applicant and planner.

3. 20CUP07. Request for undated conditional use permit to include large gatherings such as weddings. Property shows zoned residential but has received a conditional use permit to have a campground and other recreational activities on property. ABE would like to see a determination of the adequacy of the septic/sanitation system to handle the anticipated large groups. ABE would also like to remind the owners that the trash needs to be secured from bear activity, no wildlife feeding be allowed and that there is existing mountain lion activity in this area.
4. 21 SET01. Variance request from property line and from wetland areas. ABE needs further information to make any determination. It is not known why/how the location of the building was determined; it appears that there are many areas on the property large enough to accommodate the building and that would not require a setback variance. A topo map of the area and proposal would be needed to make any recommendations. ABE would also need to see any reports of past mining activity that might show any environmental concerns for cleanup etc. The information provided was inadequate for any determinations.
5. 21CUP01. No ABE concerns.
6. Letter from Colorado Cattlemen's Association regarding wolf reintroduction. Governor Polis is pushing for a reduced timeline for this reintroduction than what was proposed by CPW. ABE is concerned about the timeline not allowing for adequate public input into the plan being developed by CPW. Recommendation is to be sure to allow adequate time for meaningful public input into the plan. ABE is requesting the County Commissioners send a letter regarding the need for public input into the plan.

#### **Old business:**

- **Past pending Land Use cases.** None
- **Eddie Kochman Memorial Project.** No new information on this issue. Request that the County Commissioners send a letter to try to get this moving again.

#### **New business:**

- Elect new ABE Chair and Secretary.
  - Secretary. Mr. Petersen was nominated to act as ABE Secretary for this meeting. Before the start of the February meeting, a board member will be chosen to serve as secretary for that meeting.
- Vacant ABE Seat. Wendy Kerner has applied to serve on the ABE Board. if appointed to the Board, Wendy is open to serving as ABE Secretary.
- The next meeting will be held February 16, 2021 at 1:00 PM. Notice will be provided if there is an option to meet in person at the County Building or only by Zoom.
- **Additional comments or matters of Board interest:** None

**Adjourn.** Mr. Pugh motioned the meeting be adjourned. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Stoltzfus. The motion was unanimously passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 PM.