

Gold Hill Community Planning Initiative Meeting Monday, April 6, 2009

Agenda

I. Schedule Historic Preservation/Historic Zoning Presentation with Denise Grimm. We decided on Monday, April 20, 7:00 p.m and that has been confirmed. At this same meeting, we will spend some time on the visioning process after Denise's presentation.

II. Further education topics to be covered? A lot of interest was expressed about the Open Space to be acquired around Gold Hill, the Recreation and Public Purposes Act that will apply to at least some of it, possible establishment of trails, etc. We will probably want to get Jesse Rounds back.

III. At the Dec. 8th meeting, the group identified Phase II (after Phase I, the Education workshops) as Visioning and a survey to assess everyone's ideas, goals, level of interest, etc. in order to put together our plan for what we want in the future. To begin, we listed a whole range of ideas we might want to address: Water quality and supply and the Septic Smart program, Transportation/Road Mgmt/Paving/Access issues and the Climb, Build Green/Climate Smart, The Site Plan Review Process, Development Credits, Open Space/Trails/Forest Management, The Boulder County Comp. Plan, Historic Preservation, Alternative Energy, Sustainability, and any desired changes to the boundary of our initiative, which is currently the Town Meeting boundary.

We decided that to begin with, Gretchen and Jennie would work up a preliminary list of preservation goals, distribute them to the attendees of this meeting for feedback/editing/additions, and work on it further at the April 20 meeting. This is what we have so far:

The Gold Hill community desires to preserve, protect, and sustain:

- The long-running institutions of the community, including the Gold Hill School, the Museum, the Gold Hill Town Meeting, and the private businesses (the Store, the Red Store, the Ranch, and the Inn).
- Our connection to the past: the historic character of the platted townsite, the other historic structures in the area, the old trails, and the mines.
- The largely undeveloped nature of the public and private lands in and around the community.
- The wildlife habitats, including forest health, in and surrounding the community.
- The vistas of the undeveloped landscape—the “viewscape.”

- The access to the landscape through historically public trails, pathways, etc.
- The community's sense of independence and separation from Boulder, as marked by our dirt roads, our relative lack of traffic and noise pollution, and our dark skies at night.

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