

Mid Valley Trails Committee Agenda

All MVTC Meeting information is available here: [Mid Valley Trails Committee - MVTC | RFTA](#)

09-19-2024

7:30am- 9:30am

RFTA Office – 1340 Main Street, Carbondale, CO 81623 or WebEx

Join from the meeting link

<https://rfta.webex.com/rfta/j.php?MTID=m4eb598c6c4adc4cc6af36cd4709d6141>

INVITED ATTENDEES

In Attendance

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| • George Trantow – MVTC Chair | ✓ |
| • Phillip Ring – MVTC Treasurer | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • Alan Lu – MVTC Member | ✓ |
| • Perry Kleespies – MVTC Member | ✓ |
| • Katie Stookesberry Ralston –MVTC Member | ✓ |
| • Temple Glassier – MVTC Project Manger | ✓ |
| • Mike Pritchard – Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Association | ✓ |
| • Karin Offield – Roaring Fork Valley Horse Council | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • Rebecca Schild – Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers | ✓ |
| • Jack Douglas – Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • Michelle Thibeault – Town of Basalt Planning Director | ✓ |
| • Angela Henderson – RFTA | ✓ |
| • Brett Meredith – RFTA | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • Abbey Pascoe – RFTA | ✓ |

AGENDA

1. Review and approval of **August Meeting Minutes**
 - a. **Perry made motion to approve, Alan seconded. Minutes approved.**
2. Committee Updates and Discussion
3. RFTA Updates, Angela Henderson
 - a. **Angela has a meeting with Eagle County, to discuss the future oversight of Mid-Valley Trails. No funding will be available for 2025 for Mid-Valley Trails until a decision is made on who oversees the committee. The following year will focus on creating foundational documentation and processes for the Committee.**
 - b. **Provided update on additional changes in Leadership at RFTA and will invite new COO, David Pesnichak to attend October meeting.**

4. Updates from Temple Glassier
 - a. Work Plan Update- [Attachment A- Moved to October Meeting](#)
 - b. Facebook Page Discussion
 - i. Temple now has access to the Facebook Page. She will post Maps from Mike, Nancy's Path, links to trail organizations and other MVTC project updates to showcase what Committee funding does.

5. Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Association, Mike Pritchard
 - a. Project Updates
 - i. Crown Royale Update
 1. Trail open from top to connection at RGT. Mike extended an extra thanks to the Committee for the funding that helped make this trail happen over the course of the last 10+ years.
 2. Buckdown Trail is now open, took all summer with volunteers and now provides parallel downhill option for Buckhorn.
 - ii. Mid Valley Trails Maintenance Report
 1. Experiencing issues with Basalt Mountain Trail Maintenance and the erosion issues. George asked is it possible in the future to reroute trail for sustainability purposes. Mike advised he can bring it up with Forest Service staff.

6. Roaring Fork Valley Horse Council, Karin Offield- **Skipped, unable to attend**
 - a. The next phase of the work for Nancy's Path/RFOV/RVHC
 - b. Interesting article you may not have seen.
 - c. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/climate-environment/2024/08/20/e-bike-conversion-kits-do-it-yourself/>
 - d. Another piece that describes what the equestrians are up against out on our trails. <https://dailymontanain.com/2024/08/17/mountain-bikers-push-to-ride-through-the-wilderness/>
 - e. Glassier Equestrian & Hiker Trail Brief- [Attachment B](#)
 - f. Basalt Mountain ByPass

7. Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers, Rebecca Schild
 - a. Nancy's Path Project Update
 - i. Pitkin County Open Space and trails elevated tread and created more defined drainage. Volunteers worked above this section, clearing more of the corridor, installed hand-built drains and establish more tread.
 - b. Hosted Mountain Sopris Run Off race from Prince Creek to Rock Bottom Ranch. Two Adopt-A-Trail programs, and Community Education Tables.
 - c. Fuel mitigation project with Town of Basalt and Forest Service to create fire break.
 - d. Acceptable trail design training in beginning of October.

8. Town of Basalt POST, Michelle Thibeault
 - a. Angela advised Michelle she will reach out to connect with her on the RFTA leadership changes and projects on MVTC for 2024. Michelle doesn't think they will be needing the funds for 2024 on these projects.
 - i. Basalt Medical Center Trail
 - i. Need to update naming: Midvalley Center Trail Connection
 - j. Duroux Boat Ramp
 - k. Willits Wayfinding Signage
 - b. POST 2025 Workplan -[Attachment C](#)
 - i. Work Plan organized into 4 Categories
 - i. Parks
 1. Alpine Garden near Triangle Park
 - ii. Trails
 1. Picked design for Signage, Consultant mapping out where signs will go.
 2. Community split on bike lanes or expanding the multi-use path.
 - iii. Partnerships
 - iv. Maintenance
 1. Updating POST Master Plan
9. Items to Discuss Next Meeting
 - a. MVTC Work Plan for COO
 - b. Review leftover 2024 funds
10. Open Discussion
 - a. Angela advised Rail Salvage project in spring of 2025
 - b. RFTA Rec Trails Plan and Mid Valley Trails Plan delayed until 2026
11. Meeting Adjourns **8:37am**.