

Nederland Board of Trustees

2018 -2020 Board Goal Retreat

The Nederland Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, July 3rd to discuss our Board's goals for the 2018-2020 session. The two hour long discussion was very useful highlighting the successes, and short-comings, of the previous Board's work in addressing the goals set in 2016 before addressing what we thought our focus should be in the coming years.

Summary of 2016-2018 Goals and Achievements

- Housing
 - Boulder County Housing Authority Project Approval
 - Code refinements to encourage affordable housing (ADU, Multi-unit dwellings)
- Infrastructure
 - Successful sales tax increase to support roads and streets
 - Successful ballot measure for wastewater biosolids project
 - Opening of new town shop with decommissioning and recycling of old shop
- Economic Development
 - Passed DDA Debt authorization

On-going projects that will continue into 2018-2020 Terms

- Big Springs Egress
- Negotiation of new IGA with Boulder County
- Nederland 100% renewable goal
- Clean up of Old Town Shop

During the second half of our discussion, each trustee discussed which goals they thought should be a priority for the Board in the coming two years, along with any specific projects or policies they were interested in the Board addressing. The consensus opinion of the Trustees was that while the previous Board has taken great steps in addressing the three goals we'd set, there remains much that needs to be done with regards to affordable housing, infrastructure, and economic development.

In addition to the on-going major projects listed above, the Board also had a list of projects that they were interested in tackling over the next two years. They are listed below, in no particular order.

- Revise and update Nederland Design Standards
- Address the impact of the Peak to Peak Highway through town
- Focus Economic Development work on 'shoulder season'
 - More community events
- Forest recreation opportunities

- Encourage the re-constitution of a Chamber of Commerce
- Board sponsored sustainability projects for residents and businesses
 - Water use reduction/low flow appliance rebates
 - Energy efficiency
 - Partner with County programs
- Encourage a recreation district
- Address downtown parking situation and wayfinding
 - Along with DDA
- Improved Trustee/Public communication
 - Potentially through Trustee webpage/blog format
- Increased support for social services
- Investigate benefits of a Nederland Housing Authority
- Begin Envision 2030 process
 - Including data collection, community building, and town character

The Nederland Board of Trustees knows that it can't achieve any of these goals or make progress on these projects in isolation. We are looking forward to working with the incredible group of volunteers and Town Staff that we have in Nederland on these projects, and those that will arise in the coming years. In particular, we hope that our advisory Boards will help us in the following areas to meet our goals.

Sustainability Advisory Board – Continued progress on Nederland's 100% Renewable Pledge
 Planning Commission – Addressing code changes to encourage affordable housing and
 downtown economic development.

Downtown Development Authority – Parking and wayfinding in the downtown core and the
 Nederland Riverwalk.

PROSAB – Barker Meadow Park