



Minutes of Boulder Junction Economic Development Committee Meeting

Wednesday May 20, 2026
8:30 a.m.
Boulder Junction Community Center

Our Mission: To explore, develop and promote opportunities and investment options supporting our economic development objectives while enhancing community prosperity.

MINUTES

- 1) CALL TO ORDER-PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Steve Weber (Co-Chair) followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was done. Present were Bill Spear, Steve Weber, Nathan Keisler, Kevin Mantz, Dylan Schutt and Mary Jones. Absent with Notice Kevin Gutjahr. Absent Ian Brown. GUESTS: Sara Smith.
 - 2) APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: at the Chair's Discretion (discussion & possible action). MOTION/Schutt SECOND/Keisler MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
 - 3) APPROVAL OF March 18,, 2026, MEETING MINUTES And April 28th, 2026 MEETING MINUTES (discussion & possible action). MOTION Schutt SECOND/Spear MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. (April 28th minutes approves as corrected)
 - 4) WELCOME GUESTS: Sara Smith
 - 5) UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
 - a) Community Reporting: Headwaters will be reopening in early July with a barbeque theme. Laudermaat will be offering U-Haul rentals.
 - b) Work Group Updates: Station task group is preparing a mailing to go out to targeted persons and businesses.
 - c) April Business Forum: continue dialogue with DNR in regards to an additional fishing pier.
 - d) Economic Impact Study for BJ Winter Park. MOTION by Spear SECOND Schutt to adopt the Preliminary Economic Impact Report. Report to be forward to the Parks committee.
 - 6) NEW BUSINESS:
 - a) Sara Mith Acorn Lodge. Purchased in 2017. 16 rooms. Changes in the last 5-10 years include more bikers and less fisherman, some weddings and family reunions. People tend to be booking earlier and stays are a little longer. Overall business has remained very consistent.
 - 7) REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Continue business updates, explore guides in the area.
 - 8) CONFIRM DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING (discussion & possible action). Next scheduled meeting April 15, 2026. Consecutive meetings will continue on the third Wednesday of the month at 8:30am.
 - 9) ADJOURN (discussion & possible action): Adjourned by Steve Weber at 9:55 a.m.
- Submitted by EDC Co-Chairman Bill Spear