

**MINUTES
OPEN SPACE AND TRAILS BOARD
REGULAR SESSION
February 5, 2026
530 East Main Street
Aspen, CO 81611**

OSTB Present:

Graeme Means Dist. 1	Howie Mallory Dist. 2	Amy Barrow Dist. 3, Chair	Michael Kinsley Dist. 4	Wayne Ives Dist. 5
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Staff Present: Gary Tennenbaum, Ted O’Brien, Jessie Young, Paul Holsinger, Jami McMannes, Carly O’Connell, Liza Mitchell, Dale Will, Ryan Mahoney, Richard Neiley

Amy Barrow called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

BOARD AND STAFF COMMENTS

Gary Tennenbaum noted that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will begin public scoping for allowing Class 1 e-bikes on the Crown, with a decision notice to follow after the scoping period. Staff will provide information for board members to submit comments during the public scoping period, which ends on March 5th. If the BLM allows e-bikes, the OSTB & BOCC will need to decide whether to amend the Glacier and Prince Creek management plans to avoid enforcement issues. A survey conducted this summer indicated public support for allowing e-bikes on mechanized trails. The BLM is considering other locations for this proposal, including Hart Scrabble Mountain, New Castle Trails, and the Lorax Trail.

Jessie Young stated that the final draft of the Pitkin County Comprehensive Plan is open for public comment until February 23rd. Board members are encouraged to provide individual comments, especially regarding the natural resources chapter. The plan will be reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Commission (PNZ) on March 3rd before going to the BOCC. Staff will summarize public comments and recommend any necessary changes to the board in March.

Paul Holsinger commented that the Back 80 conservation easement in Marble has been successfully closed, with \$200,000 committed for the project. The easement includes 80 acres adjacent to the Cobb's parcel and is now under stewardship.

Holsinger stated that staff will continue to work with the County on the Phillips parcel subdivision application and will provide general comments as needed.

ADJOURN

The OSTB meeting of February 5, 2026, adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

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Approved:

Signed by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amy Barrow".

Amy Barrow, Chair
Pitkin County Open Space & Trails Board

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kim Arensdorf".

Kim Arensdorf, Administrative Specialist
Pitkin County Open Space & Trails