



Long Term Planning Committee Report

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Bobby Clevenger, Chair

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Charter: The purpose of the LTP exercise was to support budget planning for 2018-19 and beyond, by identifying necessary or desired community projects, estimating their associated costs, and establishing a relative priority of funding. Further revision of both categories and priorities is expected to occur as additional feedback is provided by the board to the committee.

Members: Bobby Clevenger, Chair, Patrick Gill, Bill Tolle, Paul Flannigan, Randy Orth, Jim Murphy, Bob Foresberg

No meeting was held this month, but an off-site meeting in Loveland for Larimer County was attended by three committee members.

The Larimer Comprehensive Plan for Mountain Communities was held on Tuesday, May 7th. In attendance representing BEMA and the LTP Committee was Bob Forsberg, Patrick Gill and Jim Murphy.
Comments from the meeting:

Bob - The meeting was not what we expected and was only attended by staff members. It was a poster session presenting the county's initiatives which are available on the internet at: www.larimercompplan.com. We did talk with staff members about; paving County Road 47 and available grants or other funding options. They will have the grant administrator get in touch with us.

Jim - That pretty much summed it up. No presentation or summary. Lots of projects that we knew nothing about, as to what they are. Mostly metro concerns, very little rural information. Us being there, showed them we are concerned.

We discussed maybe getting a county grant to help fund the lot development plan, to the little lady (Shayle Sabo) who attended our ground-breaking with Tom. Bob has a possible lot identified, that we could maybe sell, and get seed money for the cost of developing the 20 + lots to help pay off LTD. There is a grant lady at the county who could possibly help get us a grant.

Patrick - I stuck around a little longer and talked to Jeremy (staffer) about several communication schemes for early warning. Also talked about emergency egress. He said he would add those to the plan as objectives. He said they are working on a network for mountain communities. I'll follow up on it.

To your points, Jim, Jeremy said they are interested in supporting programs that we can initiate that are consistent with their plan and both Jeremy and Shayle said that helping with grants and funding was a priority. So, something like Sunset would be a possible collaboration where they'd help with grants.

Based on this feedback from our committee members, we will continue to pursue grant funding within Larimer County to meet some of the capital and revenue needs of Big Elk.