



FEBRUARY BCCA MEETING

DATE: Monday, February 12, 2024

TIME: 7 pm

PLACE: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86508034065> Meeting ID: 865 0803 4065

ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 15 Ski Waxing Demo ▪ BI Lecture by Don Despain ▪ Thursday, February 23 ▪ 6:00 pm ▪ Fire Station

Feb 16 & 23 Moonlight Snowshoe Tour at Spruces ▪ Guided Tour with Cottonwood Canyons Foundation ▪ 6-8 pm ▪ Meet at Spruces Parking Lot ▪ Cost is \$10 ▪ Registration Required: [Select a Date & Time](#) Future Snowshoe Tours scheduled for March 22 and 29 from 7-9 pm.

February 17 Fireworks & Torchlight Parade at Solitude ▪ 6:30 pm ▪ Last Chance Lodge ▪ Free

February 24 Solitude Nordic Nights ▪ Meet at Nordic Center on the Brighton Loop ▪ 6-9 pm ▪ Cost \$12 – Rental equipment available for \$16 ▪ Smores & Hot Chocolate ▪ Registration: [Solitude Nordic Nights | January 20 | Solitude Mountain Resort](#) Future Nordic Nights are scheduled for March 9 and 23.

February 29 Justice Academy ▪ SLCo District Attorney's Office ▪ February 29 ▪ 2-5 pm ▪ Reserve here: [Justice Academy](#)

February at Solitude: Chocolate Festival, Valentines Treasure Hunt, Movies at Moonbeam, Nordic Nights, Live Music, Alphorn Concert, Torchlight Parade & Fireworks (Saturday, Feb 17 from 3-7 pm).
Check out the fun: [Events at Solitude Mountain Resort](#)

Brighton Town Council Second Tuesday of each month – 6:30 pm [Meetings | Brighton Utah](#)

Brighton Institute Meeting Second Monday of each month – 6 pm. Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86508034065>

BCCA Community Council Second Monday of each month – 7 pm. Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86508034065>

Big Cottonwood Historical Society Meeting Third Wednesday of each month 10:00 am – Fire Station #108

Brighton Planning Commission Meeting Third Wednesday of each month – 6:00 pm [Meetings | Brighton Utah](#)

MINUTES January 8, 2024 (see below)

FINANCIALS Checking \$3,410.71 ▪ Savings \$30,207.59

UPD REPORT Detective Cheryl Lenzer

BUSINESS

- BCCA Budget Request (see proposed Budget Request and Annual Report below)
- Firewise Annual Meeting – In Person at Fire Station – Friday May 3 at 6 pm? OR Saturday May 4 at 10 am?
- [SB0172 Protection Areas Revisions](#) (see draft letter below)
- Town of Brighton Updates
- Resort Updates
- Public Comments
- Other



BCCA MEETING MINUTES

Monday, January 8, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Town Council | January 9 | 6:30 pm | Zoom <https://www.brighton.utah.gov/meetings>

MINUTES There were no Minutes for the tour of BCC Water Treatment Plant in November. Twenty-two people in attended.

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UPD REPORT Detective Cheryl Lenzer ▪ The last month of the year was a mild one for us, but it looks like winter has arrived now. There were 219 total calls for the canyon last month compared to the 620 calls in Dec. 2022. There were 23 Traffic Enforcement calls, 12 Traffic Accidents, 6 -Camping in a Watershed, 3- Dogs in a Watershed, 7- Canyon vehicle assists, 1- Impound, 3- Citizen assists, 1- Welfare Check, 1-Search and Rescue, 1- non -criminal domestic, 1- Fraud at Brighton Resort and 11- Ski Thefts at Brighton Resort. There were also a few Skier Collision calls at both resorts. One of those had been featured in the news. We are looking for any information in the identity of the other skier involved that caused the injuries.

Last month was the first month UPD has been able to issue Parking Notices in the rest of Big Cottonwood Canyon. These notices have the same fee schedule as the Town of Brighton has. So far only a few have been written in the lower canyon area. We anticipate this to help the parking issues we see in the summer around the S-Turn. There were 120 Parking Notices written in the canyon last month as well as 46 traffic citations. We are starting to see an improvement with the new reservation system with the flow of traffic into the canyon in the morning, however once the resorts are closed for the night we do see the regular heavy flow (or red snake) of cars exiting at the same time. I can't say if the new reservation system helps with the parking issues yet as we haven't seen a lot of snow. The storm this past weekend and the ones line up for this weekend there may be issues.

BUSINESS

- BCCA Officer Elections. The following people were elected to two-year terms by acclamation:
 - President - Barbara Cameron
 - 1st Vice-President – Don Despain
 - 2nd Vice-President – Tom Loken
 - Secretary - Jeanette Sawaya
 - Treasurer
 - ACCT Representative - Kathy Anderson
 - Ski Resort Representatives - Mike Doyle (Brighton) Nick Sieckowski
- Town of Brighton Updates – Carolyn Keigley noted that the UPD issues will be resolved by June 30, and UPD officers will have an office presence at the Fire Station
- Resort Updates • Nick Sieckowski announced upcoming events at Solitude. See announcements above.



2024 Budget Request to Town of Brighton
from
Big Cottonwood Community Council

Adopt-A-Trail **\$2500.00**

Cottonwood Canyons Foundation sponsors an annual Adopt-A-Trail Program which maintains popular local trails. BCCA would like to support the Butler Fork Trail again in 2024.

4th of July Event **\$2300.00**

Big Cottonwood Community Council sponsors the July 4th celebration in Brighton, which includes a breakfast for approximately 700 people and a parade. Hundreds more come to the parade.

Costs for 2023 include:

Volunteer Tickets (64 @ \$10.00 each)	\$	640.00
Diamond Rental (250 chairs/30 6' tables)	\$	1,154.42
Music (Dave McCormick)	\$	200.00
Donation to SkiMo Team for set-up	\$	300.00
Parade Sign-Town Council	\$	86.20
TOTAL	\$	2,380.62

Administrative Costs

Costs include ACCT and Utah Neighborhood dues (\$40), business license (\$10), Zoom (\$130), Website (\$159)

\$ 400.00

TOTAL REQUEST **\$5,000.00**
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Thank you for your support of Big Cottonwood Canyon Community Council
See the BCCA Annual Report below:

Big Cottonwood Community Council

Annual Report 2023



INCOME

- \$8,300 from the Town of Brighton for administrative and project purposes.

FUNDED PROJECTS

- \$2,500 to the Cottonwood Canyons Foundation to Adopt the Butler Fork Trail.
- \$2,288.56 for 4th of July Expenses
- \$339.00 Administrative Expenses
- TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$5,127.56

SERVICE PROJECTS

- **4th of July Breakfast and Parade.** Cost \$2,380.62. 450 people were served breakfast, with many more in the parade (Thanks Kim Doyle, Carolyn Keigley, Bryan Luftglass, Kathy Anderson, Doug Fry, Todd Nerney, Sarah Cookler, Mike Doyle, Dan Knopp, Kara John, Lisa Sommer, UFA and UPD!)
- **Chipper Days.** 107 families signed up for Chipper Days, representing 1,438 hours contributed by local homeowners for a value of \$39,545. Those hours will be used as in-kind match for next year's grant (1,438 hrs. x \$27.50 volunteer hour value). Thanks to Jane Martain for wrangling this project.
- **Adopt-A-Highway** The 36th year of this project was coordinated by Tom Loken.
- **Fuels Reduction Project.** 105 families are enlisted for the Fuels Reduction Project being run by UFA. Crew members visit with homeowners to decide which trees and brush need attention, and then they perform the work on-site. 37 properties were completed in 2022, 11 properties were completed in 2023, 57 properties remain. All families commented about the outstanding work done by UFA.
- **Weed Mitigation Projects.** BCCA members participated in noxious weed pulling and wildflower planting projects under the leadership of Taylor Litwin from Cottonwood Canyons Foundation.

2024 GOALS & SUGGESTIONS

- Continue Fuel Mitigation projects (Chipper Days and Fuel Reduction Project).
- Advocate for buried electric lines in canyon communities.
- Promote improved fiber and internet connections.
- Encourage the installation of a new Restroom at Willow Heights Trailhead.
- Continue to support USFS Trails Master Plan for Natural Surface Trails in the canyon.

OTHER

- Current BCCA Finances. Checking \$3,410.71 Savings \$30,207.59
- Meetings are the 2nd Monday of the month at 7 pm, on Zoom.
- Website: <http://www.bigcottonwood.org/>



Brighton

Kathy Anderson
Don Despain
Doug Fry

11185 Mountain Sun Lane ▪ Brighton, Utah 84121
Phone: 435-940-9099

Brighton Ski Resort

Mike Doyle

Cardiff

Laurel Pines
Bart Reuling

RE: VOTE NO on SB 172 – Protection Areas Revisions
TO: Senate Economic Development and Workforce Services Committee
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mmckell@le.utah.gov; kkwan@le.utah.gov; dhinkins@le.utah.gov

Evergreen

Lady of the Lake
Kirk Nichols

The Big Cottonwood Community Council is submitting this letter in opposition to Senate Bill 172, Protection Areas Revisions ([SB0172](#)) for these reasons:

Forest Glen

Jeanette Sawaya
Carolyn Keigley

SB172 would allow the creation of a gravel pit in Parley’s Canyon where the down-canyon evening wind cycle will carry dust into densely populated areas every day. Population centers are not appropriate for large mining projects.

Giles Flat

Peg Kramer
Angus Robertson

SB172 would strip local governments of the authority to regulate land use to protect the health and safety of its citizens and local environments.

Mill D

Gerald Snow

Under SB172, parts of the Foothills and Canyon Overlay Zone (FCOZ) could be legally ignored including:

Mt. Haven

Chris Pond

- Slope Protection 19.72.060
- Grading Standards 19.72.070
- Site Access 19.72.080
- Wildlife protection 19.72.140
- Preservation of aesthetic qualities of the canyons 19.72.010A

Mule Hollow

Brooke Derr

Pine Tree/Bear Trap

Karin Peterson

Most mining companies have made great strides to promote best practices for employees and for efficient mineral extraction. In contrast, SB172 promotes questionable practices by overriding reasonable local land use ordinances all over the state. We urge you to also consider the health and safety of Utah citizens who live near proposed mining operations.

Silver Fork

Tom Loken
Jane Martain
Jenna Malone
Barbara Cameron

Thank you for your hard work and long hours during this Legislative session.

Solitude Ski Resort

Nick Sieckowsky

Please VOTE NO on SB172.

Solitude Village

John Knoblock
Lisa Sommer

Sincerely,
Big Cottonwood Community Council
Barbara Cameron, President