

## December 5, 2022 IB Annual Meeting – John Chapman Agenda Items

Please defer Q&A until after the Annual Meeting, or if you would like join either committee and/or have questions, email me at [john.chapman03@hotmail.com](mailto:john.chapman03@hotmail.com)

### River Committee - July 4, 2022 Board Report:

We incurred approximately \$5000 against our \$7800 budget. About 36 IB residents contributed to the completion of our assigned tasks. Before doing these tasks we received guidance and permission from Garfield County and the Roaring Fork Conservancy (RFC).

- River Access Point #1 (herring crossing): Two rock stair cases accessing the river were created coming off the primitive dirt path that was slightly aligned, along with trees removal/cut, to follow our IB common area boundaries. In the near future, we will re-route this dirt path around Lot 28.
- River Access Point #2 (river bank lane pump house): The path was weeded, a couple tons of 3/4" wash rock added, and a 15-step wooden stair case was constructed.
- Russian Olive Removal along about the RFR: Approximately 20 volunteers devoted a day to cut, remove and apply herbicide to a large number of invasive russian olives within the IB common area riparian zone. Savings were realized on the russian olives task by using a landscaper with back hoe to mulch the approximately 200 russian olives we removed from the river front and then having volunteers spread the mulch in the common area below lots 89 -91.
- Ground coverage herbicide treatment: Several volunteers have applied county recommended herbicide to identified noxious weeds on about a couple acres of common area. They expect to continue follow up treatment into the summer and fall.
- Signage: "No Trespassing signs" have been put back into place on existing posts along the river and we have another 10 signs on order that will be posted along our IB common area river front.

### Possible Future River Tasks:

- We have discussed with a Blue Heron Development LLC representative the desire of our community for the herring crossing primitive dirt trail to be extended through Phase 3B to County Highway 109 to create a loop trail in the north portion of the IB community. This recommendation was favorably received by the owner of this property.
- River front riparian zone maintenance (application of herbicide and removal of invasive plants) should be an annual event.
- Members of our community continue to express a desire to create a year-round River Access Point #3 (south pump house) through the Blue Heron Reserve conservancy easement. This new access point was discussed with and toured by the RFC in March 2022, and we'll need to get approval from both the county P&Z and this non-governmental organization in order to gain year-round access for this path.

The River Committee being a "sunset committee," any future river committee will need to be re-chartered by the IB board for future projects. *[End of Board Report]*

**At a July 25 2022 Board meeting, the board re-chartered the River Committee with the objective to build the River Access Point #3 described above.**