

## Trustee Biography

**Trustee:** Kirby Nelson-Hazelton

**Years in Estes Park:** 10 years

**Prior Experience - Career Information:** 2019-present: Co-Owner of Rock Cut Brewing Company; 2015-2019: Marketing & Brand Development Independent Contractor for local businesses; 2011-2015: Stakeholder Services & Partnership Development with Visit Estes Park

**Previous Participation on Town Boards or Committees:** Town: Parks Advisory Board (current member, since 2020); Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (current member, since 2021). Community: Estes Park Nonprofit Resource Center Board (current board director, since 2016, President 2021), Estes Chamber of Commerce Board (Board Secretary, 2019-2021), Estes Valley Partners for Commerce (2011-2019, President 2018-2019). Estes Park High School Girls Soccer Coach (Assistant 2017-2019, Head 2020-present).

**Educational Background:** Bachelor of Arts, Economics & Business - Colorado College (Colorado Springs, CO)

### **Narrative:** \*

I think you'll find that most, if not all, of us candidates are running for a Town Board seat because we believe in (and want) a sustainable future for our community. Issues like workforce housing, childcare, land use, business retention, quality of life -- that is likely common ground for each of our campaigns.

I'm hoping to earn your vote because you believe that I can represent you. I have been a full-time resident for over ten years. I have professional experience within our tourism industry, local business, and now as a small business owner. I have volunteered on several community boards that serve both business and nonprofits. I have been listening to and learning what our community desires & needs.

Running for Town Board has been a dream of mine for many years. I believe that I now have a toolkit that (if I am elected) will help produce results -- all while continuing to listen to and learn from you, the community, along the way.