



MINUTES

FAIRFAX OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

16 Park Road, Fairfax

Tuesday, March 26, 2013, 7:30 PM

Mimi Newton - Chair

Susan Adams	Jacob Feickert
Mia Andler	Ruth Horn
Michael Ardito	Jack Judkins- Co Chair
Ted Bright	Nancy Rogers
Barbara Coler	

1. Roll Call. Present: Jack Judkins, Susan Adams, Michael Ardito, Ted Bright, Barbara Coler, Ruth Horn, Nancy Rogers, and Jacob Feickert (as of Item 6).
2. Approval of March 2013 Agenda and Minutes of January and February 2013 Meetings. March Agenda approved unanimously. Approval of the January 2013 minutes (submitted by Jack) was approved; February 2013 minutes approved, 5 – 0, with 1 abstention (Susan).
3. Update - Treasurer and Finance Report (Ted and Jack). Treasurer's Report: Ted reported that as of today, FOSC's checking account has \$6,482.79, which includes cash donations (received by the Treasurer today) of \$295.00. In addition, recently the Town received donations by check in the amount of approximately \$1,370.00, deposited to the Town Open Space fund. FOSC Reconciliation Report: Jack reported that to reconcile and confirm the amount of FOSC funds held by the Town, Mimi had located Town Council minutes that (1) confirmed that FOSC had agreed to use no more than \$15,000 of open space funds for the Berg appeal, and (2) indicated general agreement by the Town Council that the approximately \$30,000 repaid by FOSC to the Town for the Egger Grove property should be used exclusively for open space purposes, although no resolution was ever adopted. Jack reported that Town Council Member Larry Bragman stated he would introduce a resolution in May 2013 that the Town would allocate the funds to the Town Open Space fund so that the funds are used exclusively for open space purposes.
4. Update - General Plan Implementation Committee (GPIC) (Jake). Report continued to next meeting. Members agreed that Jake should bring an updated list of tasks and matrix in the General Plan to be performed in the next year and a proposal for priority of tasks to complete by FOSC.
5. Update and Action Items re: New Potential Acquisition Opportunities (Mimi and Susan). There are two new potential acquisition opportunities:
 - 1) "Phillips" Property. Matter continued to the next meeting.
 - 2) "Wall" Property. Susan reported that the ownership interests of the four Wall parcels have been established through a Marin County Superior Court-ordered trustee and that the Court has ordered the property to be sold and the monies distributed in accordance with the percentage of ownership interests. The March 25, 2013 Court conference on the status of the sale was continued to September 2013. She has spoken with a plaintiff's attorney who indicated he is the person handling the sale. Action Item: Susan will notify the attorney that the Town's General Plan Open Space Element requires a developer to contact FOSC. She will contact the Coastal Conservancy and the Moore Foundation about opportunities to fund the acquisition.
6. Update on Open Space Maintenance Issues. Jolly Hill: Michael reported that there will be another broom pull on Saturday, April 27 by volunteers other than FOSC.

7. Update and Action Items: Fundraising.

- a. Summer 2013 Fundraising Event. Barbara presented a report from Mimi that she has arranged a music benefit event with The Eleven, possibly for the Memorial Day weekend. Jack will ask Mimi to confirm the event date. This item will be placed on the next month's agenda to organize the event. The agenda item will include whether and how to participate in Eco Fest (June 8 & 9) to help promote the benefit.
- b. Sale of FOSC Goods. Committee members agreed to and approved the sale of one-color scheme of hats and t-shirts with the "trees" design. Barbara will contact Ryan O'Neil about purchasing t-shirts and hats. Further discussion of potential sales items continued to next meeting.
- c. Trails – Hike-a-Thon. Nancy will create a list of locations for hike-a-thon fundraising events and prepare an outline of tasks for establishing a hike-a-thon.
- d. Ecofest: Michael will inquire about reserving a Town booth for FOSC or sharing a booth with the Town. There was a discussion of best possible locations for hosting FOSC booth at EcoFest.
- e. Upper Ridgeway Donation - Outreach Schedules: Jack will send out a list of schedules and locations. He suggests handing out photos and envelopes, with Town address labels (Jack has them) with flyers as part of the outreach conversations. Jack will prepare talking points for use as trailhead conversations and at Good Earth. Donations should be made to Town of Fairfax Open Space Committee.
- f. MOST – Continued item to next meeting.
- g. Donation Thank You Letters. Ted will prepare a list of the donors of gifts from December 1, 2012 to present. Jack stated he would prepare and send thank you letters.

8. Members expressions: Nancy raised the suggestion of a student member of, or student participation in, FOSC. Upon agreement, Nancy agreed to inquire with Drake High School about how to set up student membership/participation.

9. Open Time - Public Expressions. None.

Minutes approved unanimously on April 23, 2013.
Submitted by Susan Adams