



MINUTES
FAIRFAX OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

16 Park Road, Fairfax

Tuesday, April 28, 2015, 7:30 PM

Mimi Newton - Chair

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| Susan Adams | Jack Judkins- Co Chair |
| Michael Ardito | Nancy Morita |
| Ted Bright | Nancy Rogers |
| Ray Burgarella | Beatrix Berry (<i>ex officio member</i>) |
| Jacob Feickert | Hannah Salaverry (<i>ex officio member</i>) |
| Ruth Horn | |

1. Roll Call. Mimi Newton, Jack Judkins, Susan Adams, Michael Ardito, Ray Burgarella, Ruth Horn, and Hannah Salaverry attended. There was a quorum.
2. Approval of Minutes and April 2015 Agenda. Members approved unanimously the April 28, 2015 Meeting Agenda (Jack moved and Ray seconded). Members approved unanimously the February 2015 Minutes and March 2015 Minutes as corrected (Jack moved and Ray seconded).
3. Treasurer's Report (Ted). Continued.
4. Update, discussion and possible action re: Youth Member for FOOSC (Michael). FOOSC received no Youth Member applications by the April 21, 2015 deadline. Members voted unanimously to extend the application deadline to May 19 and to conduct interviews on May 26, 2015 at 6:30 p.m., prior to the May FOOSC meeting (Susan moved and Ray seconded). Michael reported that the interview panel will include Michael, Nancy Rogers, Hanna and Beatrix. Questions have been prepared.
5. Update, discussion and possible action regarding Sky Ranch Restoration (Nancy R., Michael). (a) Michael reported that he spoke at Board of Supervisors' April 28th meeting in favor of accepting acquisition of Sky Ranch from MOST; the committee voted unanimously to grant Measure A funds toward the parcel's acquisition. He reported that Supervisor Rice said the acquisition was a model of community collaboration. (b) Mimi stated that Jack, Nancy Rogers, and she canvassed for funds in support of Sky Ranch restoration. During the canvassing, a neighbor inquired about the future of current historical structures, e.g., split rail fencing. There is an effort to develop a photojournal of structures for an historical record of Sky Ranch and ranching history in Marin County before MOST removes any structures. Ray agreed to connect potential journalists (Claudia Millally and Cassidy Debaker with Brian Sager). MOST will complete restoration before transferring the parcel to the County. Restoration will not include parking per MOST. (c) Mimi noted that there are concerns about the future of the horses. (d) Michael reported that Nancy Rogers is continuing to work on the potential fundraiser at 19 Broadway on Saturday, July 18th or Sunday, July 19th. July 18th is also the same day as the Fairfax Wine Stroll. Members considered connecting the fundraiser to the Wine Stroll.
6. Update and discussion re: Town Council review of PCA designation recommendations and possible action re: PCA Applications for 3 revised zones (Jack, Mimi). Mimi and Jack reported that there are now 3 FOOSC-proposed PCA zones for the Town's consideration, incorporating the original 7 proposed designations. The PCAs are: (i) Central Marin Ridgeland (some areas in this proposed PCA are included in protection areas designated by ABAG); greenbelt lands; and wildlife corridor lands. (At ABAG's website, click on the PCA page, links to maps, e.g. designated critical habitat and wildlife, to identify Fairfax lands.) The proposed PCA maps are due to the Town on April 29,

2015. The Town's application is due May 30, 2015. At its May 6, 2015 meeting, the Town Council will vote on whether to submit an application with the FOSC-proposed PCA designations.

7. Discussion and possible action re: FOSC Strategic Plan for 2015 (All). Mimi submitted a proposed 2015 Strategic Plan. Members unanimously approved the Plan (Susan moved; Jack seconded).
8. Upcoming Events:
 - a. The Eleven Benefit in Peri Park, Sunday, May 3, 2015. At @9 - 10:00 a.m., set-up will begin. FOSC will sell t-shirts; if members/volunteers wish to contribute cookies, drinks, or other snack items for sale at the event, please do so.
 - b. Measure A Subcommittee Meeting, May 19, 2015, 6:00 p.m. Mimi and Ray will attend this meeting and propose that the Town Council set aside a portion of 2014 Measure A funds for open space acquisition activities. Jack noted that setting aside a portion of the Measure A funds annually to an open space fund will help FOSC and the Town take advantage of acquisition opportunities of open space parcels that are more expensive and parcels that may become available unexpectedly.
9. Reports from Boards, Committees and Sub-Committees. GPIC: Mimi reported that John Reed is on the committee. The committee is researching what development projects trigger density bonuses and the number of units that would constitute "affordable housing" units that meet Fairfax's affordable housing obligation under the State general plan requirements.
10. Open Time - Public Expressions. None.
11. Members' Expressions. Michael reported that he will attend the Bay Area Open Space Conference (held in Richmond) May 13 and 14; the Committee will agendaize for the May meeting the consideration of reimbursing Michael for his costs. Michael reminded the Committee that the Fairfax Festival is June 13 and 14. Members approved unanimously setting up a booth at the same location, which excludes t-shirt sales at that location, but not other items. Mimi passed out helpful home alert notices prepared by the County Committee on Aging. Jack noted that he has downloaded the 1976 General Plan maps onto a CD for FOSC archives. Ruth agreed to hold that document.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Adams
June 25, 2015