



**APPROVED MINUTES**  
**FAIRFAX OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE**  
16 Park Road, Fairfax  
Tuesday, April 29, 2014, 7:30 PM

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| Mimi Newton - Chair |   |
| Susan Adams         | Ruth Horn                                     |
| Mia Andler          | 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> ) |

1. Roll Call. Present: Mimi Newton, Jack Judkins, Susan Adams, Michael Ardito, Ruth Horn, Nancy Morita, and Beatrix Berry. There was a quorum.
2. Approval of April 2014 Meeting Agenda and March 2014 Minutes. Michael moved, Ruth seconded and members approved unanimously the April 2014 Meeting Agenda and March 2014 Meeting minutes.
3. FOSC Treasurer's Report. (Ted) Treasurer's Report was postponed to next meeting.
4. Documenting Endangered/Special Status Species. (Nancy M.) Nancy reported that she attended a California Native Plant Society training for identification and documentation of rare plants. She is certified to document and record the location of species through submission of a CNPS form. She identified Napa False Indigo at the Egger Grove and Ben Ross property and will submit documentation.
5. Discussion, possible action Re: Ideas for Increasing Attendance/Interest in Property Maintenance Activities. (Mimi, Jake) Item continued to next meeting.
6. ABAG Priority Conservation Area Program. (Mimi) Mimi reported that ABAG has proposed to ABAG's Executive Board adoption of proposed updated criteria for designation of Priority Conservation Areas and a proposed application process for designations of PCAs (areas for acquisition, restoration or enhancement). In Fairfax, the high ridge areas have been identified as a PCA. If ABAG adopts the updated criteria and application processed, entities must submit applications to retain existing PCA designations and to propose new PCAs. The deadline to submit applications for new and existing PCA is May 30, 2015. (Note: Existing PCA designations will be removed if no application is filed.) FOSC members discussed and agreed to request the Town conduct outreach to the Town's community about the ABAG process and possible designations. Mimi agreed to submit FOSC's request to the Town.
7. Report: Update on Town's Measure A Ad Hoc Committee Meeting. (Ray, Mimi) Mimi reported that the Ad Hoc Committee will submit its proposed Fairfax FY 2014 – 15 Work Plan to the Council for consideration and approval. Potential projects included in the Work Plan are land acquisition, Pavilion parking lot improvements, various park equipment repairs (e.g., Bolinas Park benches) and establishment of a dog park. Current Measure A Funds for Fairfax are \$74,000 (remainder of FY 2013-14 and 2014-15). Mimi reported that the County's future annual allocations will be \$45,000.

8. Discussion, Possible Action – Dog Park. (Mimi) Mimi reported that the Town is looking for Town-owned land to install a dog park. No action taken.
9. Discussion and Possible Action – Marin County Community Service in Fairfax. (Mimi) FOSC members agreed unanimously to request the Town Manager to submit an application to the County to have community service performed for the Town. Mimi will submit the request.
10. Update, Discussion and Possible Action – Fundraising and Outreach Options. (Mimi).
  - i. *FOSC T-Shirt Design Contest* - FOSC members agreed unanimously to undertake a Drake High School FOSC T-shirt design contest. Beatrix agreed to run the contest. The deadline will be prior to the Memorial Day Weekend. FOSC will select the winning t-shirt at the May FOSC meeting.
  - ii. *Rebel With a Cause* Film Showing – Nancy Rogers submitted a request (via Mimi) that FOSC consider a film showing; the item will be added to the May agenda.
  - iii. Potential Fundraising Event – Early December evening with presentation by otter expert. Susan will contact restaurants.
  - iv. *415 Race* – FOSC members agreed that will not participate in 2014 event.
11. Report - Upper Ridgeway Trail Celebration. (Mimi) The event was held April 26, 2014. Mr. Reid attended and spoke. Supervisor Rice, Town Councilmen Larry Bragman and John Reed, and Town Manager Garret Toy attended.
12. Discussion and Possible Action FOSC Benefit Concert. (Mimi) Members agreed: sales of bandanas, other goods and sales of drinks and food; Susan will bring cashbox, cash, and donation postcards; Mimi will bring donation baskets; Michael has provided notices of the Event in local papers.
13. Discussion and Possible Action – Fairfax and ECO-Fest Festival (June 14/15). (Mimi) Members agreed FOSC should work with Park and Recreation to locate FOSC's table/booth. Mimi stated she would do so on behalf of FOSC. FOSC will sell FOSC goods. No other action taken.
14. Discussion, Possible Action - Give-Back Tuesday (June 17). (Michael) Michael reported that he is handling press for the event. FOSC will set up for donations. No actions taken.
15. Members' Expressions. Michael will work to finalize FOSC's contacts list. He reported that he is a member of the Marin History Museum and hopes to bring open space issues to the Museum's range of Marin topics. Michael reported that the Fairfax Chamber of Commerce announced that the Marin Mountain Bike Museum opening is scheduled for July. Susan will send Members the August 2013 agenda so that Members can submit their recollections; she will prepare minutes based on that assistance. Nancy Morita will attend the Open Space Conference; she will look for fundraising ideas and sources. FOSC's focus is Sky Ranch and Wall Property.
16. Open Time - Public Expressions. None.

Next Regular Meeting – Tuesday, May 27, 2014

APPROVED at the Regular Meeting, June 24, 2014

Susan Adams, Secretary