



MINUTES

FAIRFAX OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

16 Park Road, Fairfax

Tuesday, September 25, 2012, 7:30 PM

Mimi Newton - Chair

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

1. Roll Call. In attendance: Susan Adams, Michael Ardito, Ted Bright, Barbara Coler, Jacob Feickert, Ruth Horn, Jack Judkins. Member of the public in attendance: Nancy Rogers.
2. Approval of September 2012 Agenda and August 2012 Minutes. The Agenda and Minutes were approved unanimously. The order of the agenda was adjusted by moving Open Time Public Expressions, Item #12, to follow Approval of Agenda and August Minutes, Item #2.
3. Open Time - Public Expressions. Ms. Rogers indicated an interest in applying to fill a vacancy on FOSC. Members introduced themselves to the public and described the Fairfax Open Space Committee.
4. Update - General Plan Implementation Committee (GPIC). (Jake, Mimi, Ruth) GPIC meets the second Thursday of each month. Ruth and Mimi attended the September meeting. The GPIC is currently focused on the General Plan's Housing Element and affordable housing. Projects currently under GPIC review include a Sir Francis Drake parcel owned by the Lutheran Church that is adjacent to Canon Village that could include 30 – 40 units for residents over 55 years of age. Current and future housing projects under consideration may have open space and Open Space Element implications.
5. Update, Discussion and Possible Action Items - Acquisition of Upper Ridgeway Parcels. (Acquisitions Sub-Committee)
 - a. Jack reported that the Town Council has authorized FOSC to negotiate the acquisition of the Upper Ridgeway parcels on behalf of the Town. **Next Steps: FOSC (Jack) to contact owner's representative at the end of October 2012;**
 - b. Jack spoke with Dave Smadbeck. Goal is to obtain owner's agreement to withdraw the parcels from the market while FOSC settles the sale and raises the funds to purchase the parcels.
 - c. Trees: Mimi, Ruth, Jake and Ray Moritz conducted a walk through the parcels. Mr. Moritz is preparing a report on the parcels' trees. Sudden oak death is an ongoing concern.
 - d. Fundraising Activities – Status. Members discussed delaying fundraising efforts until FOSC can confirm it will acquire the parcels.
6. Update: Donation of Scenic Trail (Court) Property. Jack reported that at its September 5th meeting, the Town Council authorized the Town to accept the donation. **Next Steps: Prepare transfer deed; update the title report; and confirm that the trust, which owns the parcel,**

is authorized to donate the property and identify who is authorized to execute the transfer on behalf of the trust.

7. Updates - E-Scrip Cards for FOOSC – Fairfax Market. (Mimi) **Item tabled for October meeting.**
8. Update: Fairfax Town Picnic – FOOSC Participation (September 2012). (Mimi) FOOSC had a booth at the Picnic; Mimi, Susan, Jacob, Michael and Ruth assisted with it. FOOSC received donations totaling \$85.
9. Update re: Tamarancho Cell Tower – County Planning Commission Meeting. Mimi forwarded a report that a group of concerned citizens filed an appeal with the Board of Supervisors seeking denial of the cell tower.
10. Treasurer and Finance Report – Update. (Ted, Mimi and Jack) Ted reported that the FOOSC funds total \$7,442.81, which includes the \$85. Town Picnic donations. **Report on the resolution on reconciliation of FOOSC funds tabled for October meeting.**
11. Annual Fundraising Program. Members discussed establishing an annual fundraising program, including themes such as the Upper Ridgeway Acquisition. Susan passed out a list of ideas about types of fundraising events, locations and items for sale. Members expressed interest in selling the “Trees” t-shirts again. **Action Item: Barbara will inquire of Ryan O’Neill, who had created/printed those t-shirts, whether the pattern can be re-created and t-shirts made again.** For a fundraising mailer, FOOSC needs a USPS permit. **Action Item: Michael will investigate whether the permit is still valid or needs to be renewed.** FOOSC created a Fundraising Subcommittee: Susan, Michael and Jacob.
12. Members’ Expressions. Michael reported on Gift of Love. Jack reported that Councilmember Weinsoff seeks a resolution of support for County Measure A on November’s ballot: a proposed sales tax for open space, parks.