



MINUTES

FAIRFAX OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

16 Park Road, Fairfax

Tuesday, October 23, 2012, 7:30 PM

Mimi Newton - Chair

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

1. Roll Call. Mimi Newton, Jack Judkins, Michael Ardito, Barbara Coler, Jacob Feickert, Ruth Horn, and Susan Adams. Linda Futrell, a member of the public and FOSC member applicant, attended the meeting.
2. Approval of October 2012 Agenda and September 2012 Minutes. Agenda was approved unanimously. With correction of the misspelling of David Smadbeck's name, the minutes were approved unanimously.
3. Update - General Plan Implementation Committee (GPIC). (Jake, Mimi, Ruth) The current focus of the GPIC is implementation of the Fairfax Climate Action Plan. The GPIC invited an organization, Resilient Neighborhood, to speak at the committee meeting. Resilient has a program to assist corporations and towns reduce their carbon footprint and have natural disaster plans. A neighbor or corporation employee group holds 5 meetings, the goal of which is to create its own carbon reduction plan that the members commit to abide; a side benefit of the group is to have a disaster communications list.
4. Update, Discussion and Possible Action Items - Acquisition of Upper Ridgeway Parcels. (Acquisitions Sub-Committee)
 - a. Status of acquisition negotiations. Jack is awaiting David Smadbeck's assessment of vacant and Upper Ridgeway parcels.
 - b. Trees List: Ruth has not received the list yet from Ray Moritz.
 - c. The Marin Open Space Trust (MOST) may be available to assist in negotiating and raising funds for open space acquisitions.
5. Update - Donation of Scenic Trail (Court) Property. Jack reported that the acquisition is completed.
6. Updates - E-Scrip Cards for FOSC – Fairfax Market. FOSC can be added to the E-Scrip list: Michael Vivrette received confirmation that FOSC is eligible. **Action Item: Mimi will request that Fairfax Market IGA add FOSC to the E-Scrip list.**
7. Update re: Tamarancho Cell Tower. Mimi reported that the Board of Supervisors unanimously denied the appeal of the Board's decision to approve the continuation of the Camp Tamarancho cell tower.

8. Update - Treasurer and Finance Report. This matter was continued.
 - a. Postal Permit: FOSC uses town Permit #29. Permit had lapsed, but annual renewed fee of \$370 was paid in March 2011. The remaining fee to be paid is \$190. Fairfax Post Office has lost the permit so has no record of the Town's payment of the \$370 renewal fee. **Action Item: Michael will ask Ted for a copy of the permit to provide to the Post Office.**
9. Annual Fundraising Program. Discussion of establishing a fundraising program, including timing of fundraising events, types of events, and types and tax consequences for donations took place. **Actions taken: FOSC will send out a flyer/postcard/request on or about December 2, 2012 to Town residents seeking donations. The Committee unanimously authorized the Fundraising Subcommittee to design the content and mailing the requests. Action Item: Fundraising Subcommittee will present the proposed fundraising request to the Committee in November.**
10. FOSC T-Shirts. Barbara affirmed that Ryan O'Neill can provide FOSC t-shirts. The committee unanimously agreed to purchase 36 t-shirts for fundraising, \$6 (printing + \$4 (t-shirt) = \$10.00 cost. **Action Item: Barbara will inquire about the pricing of different color-combination T-Shirts for fundraising program.**
11. Members' Expressions.
 - a. Michael asked that a Gift of Love Planning item be added to the November agenda.
 - b. Tree Committee –
 - i. 8 trees on Pastori are unhealthy and must be removed.
 - ii. Wildlife signage or flyer will be provided with tree work applications; it will inform the public that if one finds a bird in a tree while doing tree work to call the wildlife organization.
 - c. Jake will be participating in the November 1 KWMR science and nature radio show; topics may include sudden oak disease, and trails management.
 - d. Jake will participate in the Bike with While Hill School Bicycle Club.
 - e. Ruth reported that there are fallen Eucalyptus tree branches.
12. Open Time - Public Expressions. None