



MINUTES
FAIRFAX OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

16 Park Road, Fairfax

November 23, 2010 7:30 PM

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE:

Mimi Newton - Chair

Michael Ardito	Jacob Feickert
Ted Bright	Ruth Horn
Barbara Coler	Jack Judkins
Chelsea Donovan	Linda Novy
Jolie Egert	Ryan O'Neil – Co-Chair

1. Roll call
 - a. Present: Mimi, Michael, Ted, Barbara, Jolie, Ruth, Jack, Linda, Ryan
 - b. Also present: Kathy Wilkie, Town Public Works Director
2. Approval of agenda and minutes from 10/26/10 meeting
 - a. Minutes – changes discussed; approved by unanimous vote with changes to be made.
 - b. Agenda – add Nick Gafney & his PR firm to be discussed under item 7; approved by unanimous vote.
3. Treasurer's Report - Ted
 - a. No activity
4. Discussion re: draft Rules for Use of Open Space; possible action re: recommendations for Council
 - a. Linda Novy described the progress & said the group will finalize the draft rules by next FOSC meeting. **Action item: Draft Open Space rules will be sent to FOSC members & agendized for discussion/finalization at next FOSC meeting (Jan 4, 2011)**
5. Status and impact(s) of story poles at IGA parking lot on Sir Francis Drake
 - a. Mimi provided a brief overview of her knowledge of the project. **Action item: FOSC members to visit the site and consider if FOSC should have concerns, e.g., impacting Open Space visual ridgelines.**
6. Subcommittee reports:
 - A. Acquisitions
 - Discussion and possible action re: proposed criteria for prioritizing acquisitions of open space
 - a. Discussion of changes requested; Jack to follow-up with Linda Novy re: specific recommendations. Jack to determine changes to be made – group unanimously approved Jack's making the decisions. **Action item: Jack to send revised draft to the group for final review/approval at next FOSC meeting (Jan 4, 2011) and then will be agendized for following Town Council meeting.**
 - B. Fundraising
 - Update, discussion and possible action re: Iron Springs benefit, post cards, announcements, other publicity coordination
 - a. FOSC selected April 12, 2011. Group discussed publicity ideas and concepts. Jolie also mentioned that she is working on a database of email contacts that can be linked from FOSC website. **Action item: Mimi to follow-up with Iron Springs on final date. Further discussion on publicity and related items to be agendized for subsequent FOSC meeting.**
 - C. Governance – No meeting was held, no report at this time.
 - D. Stewardship

- Discussion regarding possible installation of cell phone tower at Camp Tamarancho and status of Town Council involvement
 - a. Mimi noted that Chelsea is following up on this item, e.g., the Town's action on the letter and the possible passage of the comment period already. **Action item: Mimi to follow-up with Chelsea to provide update at next FOSC meeting.**
 - Scheduling hikes with Open Space Committee members
 - a. **Action item: Jack to lead some FOSC members on hike to Willow Road Property on Saturday November 27, 2010.**
 - b. **Action item: FOSC members to hike on January 29, 2011 (in lieu of end of January meeting) to: Wall Property, Egger Grove, "Sky Ranch" area and a small Open Space parcel TBD. Meet at 11am January 29, 2011 – meeting place TBD.**
7. Update on Action Items from October meeting
- a. Berg property – outing planned to Egger Grove
 - b. Draft OS rules – to be discussed & likely finalized at 1/4/2011 meeting
 - c. Tamarancho Cell Tower – letter drafted, status unclear
 - d. Draft OS Criteria – final draft to be approved at 1/4/2011 meeting
 - e. GIS mapping – Jolie suggest that may be able to use Google Earth instead, Jolie will follow-up to see if meets FOSC needs.
 - f. Willow Street Property – FOSC hike on November 27, 2010.
 - g. Fundraising – date set for IS on April 12, 2011.
 - h. New members have been added to FOSC website under subcommittees.
 - i. Bennett House Easement – Jack outlined process – ultimately must be approved by BH Board. BH is supportive of easement.
 - j. Jolie has followed up - had discussion with Nick Gafney and made several subsequent calls to him, he has not responded.
8. Miscellaneous Items – **Next meeting is January 4, 2011.** Last meeting for Kathy Wilkie, she is retiring from the Town end of December 2010.
9. Open time for public expression

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Susan Waters