

MINUTES REGULAR FAIRFAX OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE MEETING 16 Park Road / Youth Center, Fairfax, CA 94930 Tuesday, June 26, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.

Fairfax Open Space Members:

Michael Ardito, Co-Secretary
Chris Borjian
Shelley Clark
Charles Cornwell. Treasurer

Lauren Hinxmann, Chair
Ruth Horn, Co-Secretary
Jack Judkins, Vice Chair
Susan Pascal Beran

Chance Cutrano Georgia Little, Youth Member (ex officio)

1. Call to Order and Roll Call: Lauren Hinxmann, Chair

Members present: Michael Ardito, Chris Borjian, Chance Cutrano, Lauren Hinxmann, Ruth Horn, Jack Judkins (quorum)

Members absent: Shelley Clark, Charles Cornwell, Susan Pascal Beran, and Georgia Little (youth member)

- 2. Approval of Agenda for June 26, 2018. Agenda was approved.
- **3. Approval and Posting of FOSC Regular and Special Meeting Minutes** for March 22, March 27, April 24 and May 22, 2018. The finalization and approvals of minutes were postponed to later dates.
- 4. Review of FOSC Outreach at Fairfax Town Festival (June 9-10) and Benefit Concert (June 17) discussion and possible action. During the Town Festival, there were advantages and disadvantages for having the FOSC information table near the Town's booth at the corner of Bolinas and Elsie. But, there are advantages and disadvantages for having FOSC in the Ecofest at the Pavilion. FOSC will need a member in early 2019 to spearhead the application and formation of an information booth next year in the Ecofest. Regarding the benefit concert for FOSC by The Eleven in Peri Park on Sunday, June 17, the donations / receipts were \$1,282 (\$1,057 in cash and \$225 in checks).
- **5.** Treasurer's Report: Charles Cornwell. Postponed to a future meeting.
- **6. Open Time for Public Expressions** (The public is welcome to address the Committee at this time on matters not on the agenda. Please be advised that pursuant to Government Code 54954.2, the Committee is not permitted to take action on any matter not on the agenda, unless it determines that an emergency exists, or that the need to take action arose following posting of the agenda. Each speaker is limited to three minutes and a spokesperson for an organization is limited to five minutes.) None.
- 7. Repair and Upgrade for FOSC Website (discussion and possible action): Chance Cutrano reported that Barbara Coler emailed him last week regarding FOSC and our website. The next steps include meeting with Town Manager Garrett Toy to discuss the options for upgrading the FOSC website. That may include transitioning the FOSC website into the Town's new website this fall. On the Town's website we would still be able to use PayPal. Due to recent hacks to the FOSC website, as a safeguard Chance made electronic back-ups of our written materials.
- **8. FOSC Outreach, Merchandise and Web Activities** (discussion and possible action). Chance checked into the order of long-sleeve FOSC T-shirts that would cost \$12 each for a minimum order of 50. That would be about a \$600 investment.
- **9.** Upcoming FOSC Outreach Events 2018 (discussion and possible action): *Film Night* (Thurs. July 26), Shelley Clark has selected the film, "A Quest for Meaning" and will

- organize a discussion panel and logistics when she returns. FOSC members signed up to bring donations of food and beverages to be offered for donations at the film night event. *Give Back Tuesday* will be held at Iron Springs Fairfax (Sept. 4), Michael Ardito will make certificates of appreciation for this year's former FOSC member / former treasurer Ray Burgarella and youth member Lili Secord; *Town Picnic* (Sun. Sept. 16).
- **10. Review of FOSC Subcommittee Assignments** (discussion and possible action). Lauren Hinxmann will now serve on the FOSC Subcommittee for Reviewing Open Space Elements for Specific Development Proposals.
- 11. Reports from Committees and Subcommittees (including Measure A Subcommittee; FOSC Fundraising Subcommittee; the Tree Committee; special FOSC subcommittees for reviewing open space elements of specific development proposals). Michael Ardito reported that last night's Tree Committee had to review 90 trees for potential removal which took six hours for inspections, two hours for the public meeting and three hours to write up the meeting minutes. He reported that this level of work is unsustainable for dual committee service and will report this to the Town.
- **12. FOSC Outreach to Fairfax Volunteers:** Chance Cutrano reported that the Fairfax Volunteers will hold a creek cleanup on Saturday, July 14. Also, Fairfax Volunteers will hold a Give Back Tuesday at Iron Springs Fairfax on Tuesday, July 17.
- 13. Reports of activities from partner agencies: San Anselmo Open Space Committee; Bay Area Open Space Council; Marin Open Space Commission; Marin Conservation League's Parks and Open Space Committee. Michael Ardito reported that the combined annual special meeting with FOSC and the San Anselmo Open Space Committee will be held in Fairfax on Wednesday, August 15. The Marin Open Space Commission will hold a Region 5 master plan (includes Sky Ranch, Bald Hill Preserve and Loma Alto) meeting on Saturday, August 25 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Embassy Suites in San Rafael.
- **14. Report from annual Bay Area Open Space conference**: Michael Ardito recently received the power point slides from the May 10th conference and will forward to FOSC members plus submit his report to receive reimbursement for his registration fee.
- **15. Fairfax Tax Default Properties** (discussion and possible action): Ruth Horn and Jack Judkins will look into this further.
- **16. Quorum Check for Next FOSC Meeting** on Tuesday, July 24, 2018. It appears we will have a quorum.
- 17. Implementation of General Plan Open Space Element including identification of recreational trails and priority open space lands: Jack Judkins looked at the Marin maps again.
- **18. FOSC Members Expressions.** Michael Ardito announced that Maya Buell, recently appointed as a FOSC youth member resigned because she moved to the East Coast. FOSC members will contact Garrett Toy and/or Ben Berto for an update report regarding the status of Victory Village and potential open space options.
- 19. Adjournment was at 8:55 p.m.