



**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR FAIRFAX OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**16 Park Road / Youth Center, Fairfax, CA 94930**  
**Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Fairfax Open Space Members:**

Michael Ardito, Co-Secretary	Chance Cutrano
Chris Borjian	Ruth Horn, Co-Secretary
Shelley Clark	Jack Judkins, Vice Chair
Charles Cornwell, Treasurer	Susan Pascal Beran, Acting Chair
	Georgia Little, Youth Member (ex officio)

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call:** Susan Pascal Beran, Acting Chair called the meeting to order.  
*Members Present:* Michael Ardito, Chris Borjian, Shelley Clark, Charles Cornwell, Chance Cutrano, Ruth Horn, Jack Judkins, Susan Pascal Beran.  
*Member Absent:* Georgia Little
- 2. Approval of Agenda for February 26, 2019.** Approved.
- 3. 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.*) Meeting guests included Frank Egger, Brian McCarthy, Bruce and Lynn McDermott. Former Town Council Member Frank Egger reported that 6.5 acres of open space property about Sky Ranch from Summit Road may be for sale, but not in Fairfax Town limits and to please inform San Anselmo Open Space Committee.
- 4. FOSC Continuing Business** (updates, discussion and possible action on: Spring Lane properties near Sky Ranch; Victory Village; Marinda Heights/Wall property; 200 Toyon Drive)
  - **Spring Lane:** Jack Judkins volunteered to write a letter to the occupants of the house on Spring Lane which has put up a “No Public Access to Open Space” sign on the paper public road leading to a trail connecting to Sky Ranch. He had knocked on the door several times without success in reaching a resident. Michael Ardito volunteered to seek contact information for the residents through realtor Russell Knudsen.
  - **Victory Village:** Michael Ardito volunteered to do follow-up with the Town such as a letter to the Town Council to ask about the potential of purchasing the 18 back acres as open space with county funds and Marin Open Space Trust. Our communication should include a copy to former Town Council Member Larry Bragman who requested inquiry about the open space at the January meeting of the Town Council meeting.
  - **Marinda Heights/Wall property:** Michael Ardito volunteered to follow-up with Town Manager Garrett Toy about having the FOSC comments letter regarding the open space component of this project posted to the FOSC portion of the Town’s new website.
  - **200 Toyon Drive:** Jack Judkins volunteered to regenerate and update a FOSC comments letter from 2016 to the Town Planning Department regarding the Ben Ross property at 200 Toyon Drive.
- 5. Treasurer’s Report:** Charles Cornwell reported that the FOSC account is \$35,465.22 which includes a recent on-line donation of \$20.
- 6. FOSC Film Night Friday, March 8, 2019 “Watershed”** and premiere of Drake High School film project (discussion and possible action). Various assignments for the fundraiser event on March 8 were delineated and further outreach was planned. Also, Susan Pascal Beran and Michael Ardito planned to attend the Drake High School students’ promotional video about FOSC at the Drake Little Theater on Friday, March 1.

- 7. Invasive Broom, Clean-ups, and Stewardship of Fairfax Open Space:** Upper Ridgeway on Sat. March 2 and Sky Ranch on Sat. April 20 (discussion and possible action). Due to steady rain predicted for March 2, it was decided to postpone the broom pull at Upper Ridgeway. Michael Ardito will contact youth member Georgia Little to notify any Drake student volunteers and contact Brian Crawford at San Anselmo Open Space Committee. Susan Pascal Beran will notify Sky Ranch ranger station to cancel our reservation for the broom pulling equipment.
- 8. Update about FOSC and Town Website** (discussion and possible action): Chance Cutrano reported that Camille Esposito is in charge of the Town's new website including the portion regarding FOSC.
- 9. FOSC Outreach, Merchandise and Web Activities** (discussion and possible action). Nothing new to report.
- 10. FOSC Outreach to Fairfax Volunteers:** Chance Cutrano indicated that Fairfax Volunteers is working to improve timely and more comprehensive community notification about town activities.
- 11. Election of FOSC Chair and Vice Chair** (discussion and possible action). Susan Pascal Beran was elected FOSC Chair and Jack Judkins was re-elected as Vice Chair.
- 12. Fairfax Vacancy Announcements Update:** Susan Pascal Beran will announce our FOSC vacancy at upcoming events such as at Film Night.
- 13. Reports from FOSC Committees and Subcommittees plus Review of Assignments.** No new assignments.
- 14. Reports of activities from partner agencies** such as San Anselmo Open Space Committee; Bay Area Open Space Council; Marin Open Space Commission: FOSC representatives had no updates to report.
- 15. Approval of FOSC Meeting Minutes for November 27, 2018, January 22, 2019** and special meeting notes from March 22, 2018. The minutes from November 27, 2018 and January 22, 2019 were approved for posting.
- 16. Planned Development District (PDD) zones update on open space percentage:** Susan Pascal Beran and Jack Judkins (discussion and possible action). It was reported that there are 15 PDD zones in Fairfax. According to former Town Councilmember Egger, at the time these zones were created, development was permitted on portions of the designated PDD zones and restricted or prohibited on other parts of the zones. The Town cannot locate records reflecting the restrictions or prohibitions on development under the PDD, as approved. Chance Cutrano volunteered to draft a letter requesting that the Town expedite its search for records about existing trails adjacent to open space.
- 17. Quorum Check and Agenda for next, regular FOSC meeting** on Tuesday, March 26, 2019. It appears that we will have a quorum.
- 18. FOSC Members Expressions.** All members (but the youth member) should have been notified that Form 700 annual filing must be submitted by this April 1.
- 19. Adjournment** was at 9:25 p.m.