

Minutes FAIRFAX OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

16 Park Road, Fairfax Tuesday, February 22, 2011, 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**: Mimi Newton, Michael Ardito, Chelsea Donovan, Jack Judkins, Barbara Coler, Ruth Horn, Jolie Egert

2. Approval of agenda, Jan. 4, 2011 minutes and Jan. 29, 2011 minutes

Minutes approved with some minor revisions

3. Open time for public expression:

Jolie wanted to get the committee to start using Google Groups so all documents would be in one easy library and all emails would be archived. This will be put on the April Agenda.

Berg litigation- Discussion regarding the possible use of FOSC funds to mount an appeal. There was agreement that we would be okay to spend 10k and maybe up to 15k. FOSC would also like the Town Council to help us replenish funds. We would only support this appeal with a spending cap.

4. Iron Springs event April 12

Review and approval of draft press release and special invitations. Discussion regarding the need to get raffle prizes.

5. Update re: Camp Tamarancho cell tower

Discussion regarding the letter from the town to Lorraine the planner for the County. This letter questioned if the county has considered other options, which they are required to do by law.

6. Discussion and possible action re: constant contact account

The committee approved \$20 a month for Constant Contact. Jolie will communicate with Chelsea to link our Facebook page with our constant contact emails. Brief discussion regarding concerns about malware.

Action Items: Jolie will Draft email announcing our website and the Iron Springs info and will work with Ted to get the Constant Contact account paid.

7. Discussion and possible action re: urban wildland interface

Discussion regarding possible contradiction with tree committee rules and the need to remove trees for fire according to recently enacted fire codes. Discussion regarding looking to the general plan to review the wording used with respect to these issues.

Action Item: Mimi will work with Ryan on drafting a letter to Town Council regarding issue.

- 8. Update and discussion re: Friends of FOSC database of contact information Action Item: All members will brainstorm which contacts they think should be added to our database. Once Constant Contact is all set, Jolie will send the login info to group so they can add their contacts directly into our online database housed on Constant Contact.
- 9. Update re: Elliot Nature Preserve/Cascade Canyon tabled to next month
- **10. Update and discussion re: Rules of Use for Open Space** Mimi condensed ten page document into two pages. People should review before next meeting. Agreed to continue this discussion to the next meeting.
- 11. Discussion and possible action re: possible spring field trip/broom pull

This should be after the April Iron Springs event. We will discuss a date at our next meeting.

12. Update re: Gift of Love event – could be a good idea for a broom pull next year we need to remember to discuss this in November.

13. Updates re: Action Items and Miscellaneous Items

Jan 4th Linda followed up on Elliot Preserve - tabled for next meeting.

Forrest Ave complaint has been resolved.

Open space acquisition criteria have been sent to Michael Rock.

Existing ordinances still need to be researched regarding rules for existing open space.

Treasurer's Report – Tabled for next month.