

MINUTES FAIRFAX OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE 16 Park Road, Fairfax Tuesday, February 28, 2012, 7:30 PM

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE:

Mimi Newton - Chair

Mia Andler Michael Ardito
Ted Bright Barbara Coler
Chelsea Donovan Jolie Egert

Jacob Feickert Ruth Horn
Jack Judkins-Co-Chair

1. Roll call. Present - Mia Andler, Michael Ardito, Barbara Coler, Jolie Egert, Jacob Feickert, Ruth Horn, Jack Judkins. Members of the public – Susan and Rick Adams.

- 2. Approval of agenda and October 25, 2011 minutes.
 - Agenda approved; October 25, 2011 minutes deferred to March meeting.
- 3. Open time for public expression.
 - Jolie requested request the date time and location of the Fairfax Open Space Committee meetings be placed on our website. Action item- Barbara agreed to complete this task.
 - Barbara announced Mimi Newton is throwing a concert FOSC fundraiser April 21 or 22, 2012 at Peri Park - all proceeds will be donated to FOSC.
- 4. Treasurer's Report. Ted was not present; Treasurer's Report deferred to March meeting.
- 5. Update re: FOSC Budget & accounting for Iron Springs fundraiser.
 - Jack Judkins met with the Town Manager and Town Finance Director today, he reported- FOSC received \$351 from the Iron Springs Fundraiser. They also discussed accounting RE: FOSC funds in the Town accounts.
 - The Town says we have \$41,865.34 in their accounts. Adding the fundraiser brings the total to \$42,216.34
 - Detailed items ~\$10,700 2010/2011 deposit; \$26,400 2011/2012 deposit.
 We calculate there should be \$45,762.00 in their accounts, from our books. The discrepancy is about \$3,500 \$5,000. Both Town Manager and Finance Director have committed to resolve the discrepancy by May; Action item Jack to follow-up with them in May.
 - There is also ~\$6,000 in FOSC's BofA Account.

- Action item- Barbara offered to develop proposed FOSC budget for the next fiscal year for March meeting.
- 6. Update regarding possible Napa False Indigo sightings on Egger Grove and Ben Ross properties.
 - Jolie- This plant is deciduous and the leaves are needed to distinguish between subspecies. Action item- Jolie will follow-up later in the year.
- 7. Discussion about continuing College of Marin GIS mapping project
 - Monica Rudolph, College of Marin student, presented an overview of her pilot FOSC project. Unfortunately this semester, the GIS class was canceled due to low enrollment. Rudolph has started a GIS Club and they are interested in follow-up projects. FOSC discussion of need for GIS base map for FOSC open space map and other potential projects. Action item Coler will follow up with Larry Kennings to obtain digitized maps to forward to Rudolph.
- 8. Follow up on Jolly Hill & Gift of Love event held on February 11, 2012.
 - Michael Ardito- There were 16 Volunteers at the event. We will plan this event again next year.
- 9. Update and discussion regarding possible thank you letter to Bicycle Coalition regarding Marin County Open Space District's development of Road and Trails Management Plan and Thanksgiving Day bicycle ride. Deferred to March meeting.
- 10. Update on Jolly Hill access easement negotiations.
 - Jack stated that there is an official easement.
- 11. Update on and discussion regarding communications with Margot Zender about the Ben Ross property.
 - Jack- Ben Ross property still on market, at this time we are not interested in continuing discussions unless the seller is willing to discuss proposal for the Town to acquire at fair market value.
- 12. Update regarding acquisitions in anticipation of next summer's Town events. Deferred to March meeting.
- 13. Update, discussion and possible action regarding fundraising ideas, including Good Earth card and possible Open Space Committee Fundraiser in March. Deferred to March meeting.
- 14. Evaluation of various properties and possible recommendation to Town Council: Scenic (donation offered by Elena Court); Pine and Cypress Streets (possible sale).
 - Group Discussion-Scenic Property 001-022-04, Motion passed unanimously to recommend Town acceptance of donation of the property unless the Acquisition subcommittee finds significant issues during the site inspection.
 - Action item- Conduct site visit of Scenic property, fill out the Criteria and present recommendation to the Town Council to accept donation unless there are significant issues.

Pine and Cypress properties discussion deferred to March meeting.

15. Approval of date for Give Back Tuesday at Iron Springs: June 12, 2012. Date approved.