

MINUTES FAIRFAX OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

16 Park Road, Fairfax Tuesday, June 22, 2010, 7:30 PM

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE:

Mimi Newton - Chair

Michael Ardito Ruth Horn
Ted Bright Jack Judkins

Barbara Coler Ryan O'Neil – Co-Chair

Helen Fauss

1. Present – Mimi, Michael, Barbara, Helen, Ruth, Jack, Ryan Guest: Chelsea Donovan – moved to Fairfax 10 months ago; background in wetlands restoration and environmental technology. Chelsea is interested in joining FOSC.

- 2. Assignment of Secretarial duties Barbara
- 3. Approval of 6-22-10 agenda: Add to agenda item #7 C Resignation of member; 3 open positions and minutes from 5-25-10 FOSC meeting: add N. Caldero to members unanimous approval of both with revisions
- 4. Open time for public expression Barbara website discussion and need for building pages that are under development (<u>agendize for next meeting</u>); discussion of contacts submitting information through the website. Helen discussed Deer Park dropped from the School District proposal, instead other existing schools will add classrooms to each. Seven months and 30 + meetings attended by FOSC members resulted in preservation of open space.
- 5. Finance Director's Report Not present; **ACTION ITEM RYAN** get report from Finance Director and get commitment that she attend next FOSC meeting
- 6. Rules for use of Open Space Kathy Wilkie not in attendance; tabled <u>agendize for next</u> <u>meeting</u>
- 7. Subcommittee Reports

A. Acquisitions

- (i) status of acquisition of tax default property Helen Purchase successful; check and letter provided to group.
- (ii) criteria for acquisition of Open Space **ACTION ITEM FOSC members** for up to 3 properties go through the criteria for next meeting (agendize for next meeting); can be done as "paper study" or field trip may be arranged
- (iii) Ridgeway Ave. fire Rd parcels Jack sent two letters; no response to date
- (iv) David Weinsoff neighbor contemplating restrictive easement **ACTION ITEM Mimi** to contact David Weinsoff to follow-up
- (v) Glen Drive lot for sale **ACTION ITEM Mimi** to contact David Smadbeck to follow-up
- (vi) sale of lot on Forest Ave./house to be built no longer available; purchased.

B. Fundraising

- (i) EcoFest \$248 raised; **ACTION ITEM Jack** to follow-up with property owners interested in donating parcel to the Open Space District (spoke to him at EcoFest); possible report for next meeting
- (ii) Fundraising effort for with Meadow Way neighborhood **ACTION ITEM – Mimi, Jack, Ryan to meet with Larry Bragman** prior to next meeting

C. Governance

(i) reappointment of Jack, Helen and Mimi at July 7 Council Meeting – Discussion; 3 open positions on FOSC; ACTION ITEM – Mimi to represent all 3 at the Town Council meeting; Chelsea Donovan may submit application for FOSC

D. Public Outreach

- (i) roll out of post-cards announcing new website Michael passed out prototype **ACTION ITEM Michael** finalize design; Ryan's wife will proof Michael to bring final to next meeting (agendize for next meeting): **ACTION ITEM Mimi** to check in to permit activation and other costs with USPS and who to write the check to.
- (ii) suggestion for FOSC business cards FOSC members agreed would be useful for fundraising and other efforts. Michael passed out prototype **ACTION ITEM Michael** finalize design; Michael to bring final to next meeting (agendize for next meeting)

E. Stewardship

- (i) easements over local property Jack spoke to Jim Moore; JM will agendize for the Bennett House meeting to obtain easement
- (ii) access to Hawthorne Canyon from Fairfax table until next meeting
- (iii) RVSD decision on school site completed under Public Expression
- 8. Work of GPAC regarding Open Space and Conservation Elements Mimi completed and approved by the Planning Commission; next steps Town Council; **ACTION ITEM Mimi** to send out final version and to determine next steps for the OSE and the Conservation Element (CE to be discussed at next GPAC meeting)
- 9. Update on action items from 5-25-10 meeting completed above
- 10. General Update on Miscellaneous Issues none