



**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR FAIRFAX OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**16 Park Road / Youth Center, Fairfax, CA 94930**

**Tuesday, June 25, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Fairfax Open Space Members:**

Michael Ardito, Co-Secretary  
Chris Borjian  
Charles Cornwell, Treasurer  
Chance Cutrano

Ruth Horn, Co-Secretary  
Jack Judkins, Vice Chair  
Susan Pascal Beran, Chair  
Dahlia Siegel-Zigmund, Youth Member (ex officio)

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call:** Jack Judkins, Vice Chair  
*Members Present:* Michael Ardito, Chris Borjian, Charles Cornwell, Chance Cutrano, Ruth Horn, Jack Judkins (quorum)  
*Members Absent:* Susan Pascal Beran, Dahlia Siegel-Zigmund (youth member)
- 2. Approval of Agenda for June 25, 2019.** Agenda 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.*) None.
- 4. FOSC Continuing Business** (updates, discussion and possible action on):  
***Spring Lane properties near Sky Ranch:*** Michael Ardito reported that the saw horse and sign “No Public Access to Open Space” placed across the paper road from Spring Lane towards Sky Ranch has been turned to the side of the path rather than fully across it. Ardito provided Jack Judkins with the address and telephone number for nearby residents Christopher and Ashley Bouey at 53 Spring Lane.  
***Victory Village:*** Former Fairfax Town Council Member Larry Bragman will visit the site with at least one other FOSC member to access the open space parcel(s) before the FOSC subcommittee meets with Supervisor Katie Rice on July 22. Charles Cornwell volunteered to contact the realtor about the open space parcels at Victory Village for further information and status.  
***Marinda Heights/Wall property:*** The Environmental Impact Report still needs to be completed. Regarding the history or no history of slides near the ten acres near Upper Ridgeway, Chance Cutrano volunteered to talk with former Fairfax Council Member Frank Egger. Jack Judkins volunteered to talk with former Fairfax Council Member David Weinsoff about this issue.  
***200 Toyon Drive:*** Discussion was postponed until the next FOSC meeting when Chair Susan Pascal Beran returns. She probably has the most recent information and status about the northern spotted owl seen in the vicinity (within a half mile) of 200 Toyon. If so, this may trigger a CEQA California Environmental Quality Act requirement. Jack Judkins volunteered to investigate this matter.
- 5. FOSC Meeting with Marin County Supervisor Katie Rice** on July 22 (discussion and possible action). Susan Pascal Beran, Jack Judkins and Chance Cutrano (FOSC Subcommittee) are scheduled to meet with our County Supervisor Katie Rice on July 22 regarding any possibilities to save open space for public use at the Victory Village senior housing site as originally envisioned in plans before financial shortfalls.
- 6. New Business:** FOSC was alerted by a member of the San Anselmo Open Space Committee that a church within Fairfax Town limits may want to donate or sell some open space property. Michael Ardito was assigned to follow-up with the SAOSC member to get more details and contact information.

7. **Treasurer's Report:** Charles Cornwell met recently with Town Finance Director Michael Vivrette and reported that the FOSC checking account balance is \$38,054.35. FOSC received \$590 in merchandise sales (socks, T-shirts and water bottles) and donations at our Ecofest booth during the Fairfax Festival on June 8 and 9. The Ecofest fully reimbursed FOSC the \$1,500 it provided for the beer cups with the FOSC logo for the Ecofest. It was reported that FOSC members Chris Borjian and Ruth Horn did not yet receive a souvenir Ecofest cup.
8. **Reports from Recent FOSC Events:** Fairfax Festival / Ecofest on June 8-9; Give Back Tuesday at Fairfax Iron Springs on June 18 (discussion and possible action). We had fairly good turnout for the Give Back Tuesday fundraiser, but have not yet received a check from Iron Springs, but it is expected sometime in July. FOSC discussed and decided that the change of venue by FOSC to return this year to the Ecofest in the Pavilion was advantageous for FOSC attracting a more focused audience than near the main stage and the Town's booth (the last few years).
9. **Update about FOSC and Town Website** (discussion and possible action): Chance Cutrano reported that the three-minute FOSC promotional video produced by Sir Francis Drake High School students is now posted to the Town's website under FOSC page. The link is [www.townoffairfax.org/about-fosc](http://www.townoffairfax.org/about-fosc).
10. **FOSC Outreach, Merchandise and Web Activities** (discussion and possible action). Chance reported that a photo with our FOSC socks will be soon uploaded on the Town's FOSC website. Some items of FOSC merchandise inventory are being depleted and may need to be reordered.
11. **FOSC Outreach to Fairfax Volunteers:** Chance Cutrano reported that Fairfax Volunteers are sponsoring a creek cleanup on Saturday, July 27 beginning at 10 a.m. with a meeting at Peri Park. A Marin Municipal Water District watershed speaker is scheduled to be there.
12. **Reports from FOSC Committees and Subcommittees.** None.
13. **Reports of activities from partner agencies** such as San Anselmo Open Space Committee; Bay Area Open Space Council; Marin Open Space Commission: FOSC representatives. No reports.
14. **Future visit (to be determined) for FOSC meeting with Fairfax Town Planning Department Director Ben Berto** to discuss objective standards and new laws regarding building / development (discussion and possible action). This is scheduled for the next regular FOSC meeting on July 23.
15. **County tax delinquent properties auction** (discussion and possible action): Ruth Horn and Jack Judkins are tracking at least four tax delinquent properties that may be of interest to Fairfax Open Space. Ruth and Jack may schedule an outing to look at the properties, but the County's auction may not be announced until August.
16. **Approval of FOSC Meeting Minutes** for February 26, March 26 and April 23, 2019 and special meeting notes from March 22, 2018 and May 28, 2019. With edits submitted for a few revisions, the February 26 and March 26, 2019 FOSC minutes were approved for posting.
17. **Quorum Check and Agenda for next, regular FOSC meeting** on Tuesday, July 23, 2019. It appears that FOSC will have a quorum for its next regular meeting in July.
18. **FOSC Members Expressions.** There are several events with FOSC participation that are coming soon. Former FOSC Chair Mimi Newton has scheduled the annual FOSC benefit concert by the "Eleven" (Grateful Dead tribute band) for Peri Park on Saturday afternoon, September 7. The Fairfax Town Picnic is Sunday afternoon, September 15 in the town's ballpark. The annual Biketoberfest is Saturday, October 12. FOSC needs to submit our application as soon as possible. We need to arrange to have a tent (from the Town) available for our info booth at the Biketoberfest.
19. **Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.