



MEETING MINUTES
SPECIAL and REGULAR FAIRFAX OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE MEETINGS
16 Park Road / Youth Center, Fairfax, CA 94930
Tuesday, April 23, 2019

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, Chair
	Georgia Little, Youth Member (ex officio)

SPECIAL MEETING starts at 6:30 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order and Introduction of Interview Panel:** Susan Pascal Beran, Chair introduced the interview panel: herself, Michael Ardito, Jack Judkins, Ruth Horn
- 2. Interview of Youth Member Candidate: Dahlia Siegel-Zigmund, Drake High School student**
- 3. Appointment of Youth Member for 2019-2020** (discussion and possible action). After the pre-set list of questions were asked, the interview panel was favorably impressed with the candidate and recommended appointment.

REGULAR MEETING starts at 7:00 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call:** Susan Pascal Beran, Chair
Members Present: Michael Ardito, Shelley Clark, Charles Cornwell, Chance Cutrano, Ruth Horn, Jack Judkins, Susan Pascal Beran, and Georgia Little, current youth member.
Member Absent: Chris Borjian
- 2. Approval of Agenda for April 23, 2019.** The agenda was 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.*). Guests included former Town Council Member Larry Bragman and Fairfax resident Lynn McDermott. They participated in discussions on existing agenda items.
- 4. FOSC Continuing Business** (updates, discussion and possible action on: *Spring Lane properties near Sky Ranch:* no new information; *Victory Village:* It was announced that Resources for Community Development building the Victory Village senior housing needed a \$1.1 million loan and has a \$2 million deficit due to numerous funding shortfalls and situations. Larry Bragman reported that parts of the amphitheater in one open space parcel was intact with the treated platform, but ten rows of benches have been removed with the square pillars remaining. There may still be the possibility for a “pocket park”; *Marinda Heights/Wall property:* There was a recent obituary regarding the death of a Dr. Wall. Also, the FOSC environmental comments submitted to the Town Planning Department months ago regarding the Marinda Heights housing development were posted to the FOSC portion of the Town’s website; *200 Toyon Drive:* It was learned that there was a tax delinquency for the Ben Ross property last December, but it is not known about taxes due this month.)
- 5. Treasurer’s Report:** Charles Cornwell reported no new activities with the FOSC account balance at \$35,995.
- 6. Invasive Broom, Clean-ups, and Stewardship of Fairfax Open Space:** There was a report of a successful broom pull at Sky Ranch on Sat. April 20 led by Marin County Open Space. The Upper Ridgeway broom pull has been postponed due to weather.

- 7. Prepare for Upcoming Events:** Fairfax Festival on June 8-9; Give Back Tuesday at Iron Springs on June 18 (discussion and possible action). FOSC will have its booth this year as part of the Fairfax Festival's Ecofest. FOSC approved up to \$2,500 as seed funds to Marin Sanitation for purchase of 1,000 cups with Ecofest and FOSC logos for the Ecofest beverages. The approved funds from FOSC will be reimbursed to FOSC.
- 8. FOSC Film Nights** (discussion and possible action): It was suggested that our next FOSC film night show Marin's classic about saving the Marin Headlands "Rebels With a Cause."
- 9. Update about FOSC and Town Website** (discussion and possible action): Chance Cutrano had no further updates.
- 10. FOSC Outreach, Merchandise and Web Activities** (discussion and possible action). Charles Cornwell mentioned the donation of FOSC socks for upcoming outreach and fundraising events. We voted to add the socks to our website merchandise.
- 11. FOSC Outreach to Fairfax Volunteers:** Chance Cutrano reported that Fairfax Volunteers received \$20,000 of Measure A funds for trail restoration.
- 12. Reports from FOSC Committees and Subcommittees.** The FOSC Measure A representatives reported that FOSC will be receiving \$13,000 this next fiscal year.
- 13. Reports of activities from partner agencies** such as San Anselmo Open Space Committee; Bay Area Open Space Council; Marin Open Space Commission: Michael Ardito reported that San Anselmo Open Space will hold its 30th annual benefit fundraiser this Saturday night, April 27. There will be appetizers, homemade desserts, beverages and a raffle. The guest speaker will be Gareth Loy regarding Marin's "Tourist Club" / Mount Tam hiking club.
- 14. Future of Open Space Objective Standards** (discussion and possible action): Susan Pascal Beran asked that this item be placed on the June meeting of FOSC.
- 15. Approval of FOSC Meeting Minutes for February 26 and March 26, 2019** and special meeting notes from March 22, 2018. The February 26 minutes were approved; the March 26 minutes were approved with minor corrections.
- 16. Quorum Check and Agenda for next, regular FOSC meeting** on Tuesday, May 28, 2019. It appears there will be a quorum despite the scheduled absence of Jack Judkins.
- 17. FOSC Members Expressions.** None
- 18. Adjournment** was at 8:40 p.m.