



MEETING NOTES only (no quorum for minutes)
FAIRFAX OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING
16 Park Road / Community & Youth Center, Fairfax, CA 94930
Tuesday, July 27, 2021 at 7 p.m.

Fairfax Open Space Members:

Michael Ardito, Co-Secretary	Ruth Horn, Co-Secretary
Chris Borjian	Jack Judkins, Vice Chair
Heather Duplaisir	Susan Pascal Beran, Chair
Diego Gonzalez, Treasurer	
Brad Handel	Dylann Cullinane, Youth Member (ex officio)

Agenda Preamble / Land Acknowledgement: *The Fairfax Open Space Committee acknowledges that we are located on the un-ceded ancestral lands of the Coast Miwok people of present-day Marin County. We honor with gratitude the land itself and all of its ancestors: past, present and emerging.*

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA (Starts at 7 p.m.)

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call:** Susan Pascal Beran, Chair
FOSC members present: Susan Pascal Beran, Jack Judkins, Michael Ardito, Ruth Horn (by telephone conference), and Dylann Cullinane (youth member, non-voting). Due to COVID concerns, the meeting was held outside in the front patio of the Community Center. **Quorum was not reached.** FOSC members present were able to physically meet the new youth member, Dylann.
FOSC members absent: Chris Borjian, Heather Duplaisir, Diego Gonzalez, and Brad Handel.
Guest present: Former Fairfax Town Mayor Frank Egger
- 2. Approval of Agenda and affidavit of posting**
- 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 Members Portrait for Town of Fairfax on Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.**
Stephanie Mohan is the Town photographer with the assignment to take a photo of the FOSC members. The group photo session was scheduled prior to the next regular meeting, but COVID concerns may prevent that to happen.
- 5. Future Town Officials Tour of Frank Egger Redwood Preserve and Gloria Duncan Creekside Preserve Open Space** (on Olema Road): Michael Ardito (discussion and possible action). We were looking at either Saturday, August 7 or Sunday, August 8 for the Fairfax Town officials' tour(s). Frank Egger suggested contacting Town officials about possible Brown Act constraints for the tour(s). Egger also mentioned that the Town should contact Mr. Berg, as a courtesy, about the redwood preserve site visit(s). Subsequently, Frank Egger and Michael Ardito met Tuesday afternoon, August 3 with Fairfax Interim Town Manager Adam Politzer and were unable to resolve several issues at that time regarding the scheduled tours for August 7 and 8. So, the Town postponed the activities until another date to be discussed at the August FOSC meeting.
- 6. Update on Bio-Blitz events** (discussion and possible action) Susan Pascal Beran
- 7. Update: Vacant Parcel Offered for Donation to Town on lower Cypress Drive** (discussion and possible action). Jack reported that he forwarded the FOSC letter of recommendation and documents to Town officials.
- 8. Approval of Agenda Item Request Form and Discussion of Possible Meeting Procedures** (discussion and possible action) Jack Judkins will present this at the next meeting.

9. **Update: Concrete Pipe Road and access to nearby trails** (discussion and possible action). This item will not be re-agendized as it was reported the Marin Municipal Water District has closed the bridge because of safety concerns.
10. **Treasurer's Report:** Diego Gonzalez was not present and this item will be on the next agenda.
11. **FOSC Outreach, Merchandise, Photo Survey Project, and Nature Walks** (discussion and possible action). Nature hike leader Nick Nutu has been away and out of the Bay Area recently.
12. **FOSC Preparations for Fairfax Town Picnic** on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 19, 2021 (discussion and possible action). Postponed discussion until next FOSC meeting.
13. **Possible Acquisition of Tax-Defaulted Parcels on unimproved Upper Ridgeway with Marin Open Space Trust (MOST)-provided funding** (discussion and possible action). Updates postponed until August FOSC meeting.
14. **Assignments and Reports from FOSC Committees / Subcommittees** (discussion and possible action): Acquisitions; Governance; Stewardship; Community Outreach & Fundraising. Michael Ardito was asked to contact former FOSC Chair Mimi Newton about the possibility of the annual fund-raising concert by the Eleven band in Peri Park. Susan Pascal Beran mentioned the Fairfax Art Walk as a possible FOSC outreach opportunity. (The Art Walk for Friday evening, September 24 was subsequently canceled due to COVID variant surge concerns.)
15. **Reports of activities from partner agencies** such as San Anselmo Open Space Committee (SAOSC); Marin Conservation League's Parks and Open Space Committee; Together Bay Area; One Tam: FOSC representatives (discussion and possible action). No reports. We may invite a representative of SAOSC to "attend" a future Zoom meeting of FOSC to discuss the combined 2022 calendar fund-raising and outreach.
16. **Approval of FOSC Meeting Minutes** from previous meetings (discussion and possible action): Postponed to August 2021 meeting.
17. **Next Regular FOSC Meeting on Tuesday, August 24, 2021:** Quorum Check, Future Agenda Items (discussion and possible action): Michael Ardito
18. **FOSC Member Reports on Non-Agenda Items** (no discussions or actions)
19. **Adjournment** (meeting ended at 8:38 p.m. before dark)