



TOWN OF LOOMIS
Conservation of Resources Subcommittee
BIOLOGICAL & OPEN SPACE MEETING
LOOMIS DEPOT
5775 HORSESHOE BAR ROAD
LOOMIS, CALIFORNIA
ACTION MINUTES

2nd THURSDAY

April 8, 2021

7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER: 7:04

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

x Chairman Jeff Duncan
x Member Tim Onderko
x Member Sylvie Fournier
x Member Lorraine Thiebaud
x Member Jean Wilson
Technical Staff David Bise, Helix

x Vice Chair Stephanie Youngblood
x Member Jesse Lunsford
absent Auxiliary Roger Smith
absent Auxiliary Brian Baker

COMMITTEE COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA none

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA none

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion to adopt agenda: Wilson 2nd: Youngblood

Vote: Ayes: Duncan, Youngblood, Onderko, Fournier, Thiebaud, Wilson, Lunsford

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

COMMITTEE MATTERS

- 1. REVIEW AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS**
- 2. SETTING REVIEW**
- 3. APPROACH TO THE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE**
- 4. DISCUSSION / QUESTIONS**

Mary Beth VanVoorhis commented on the General Plan Update comment email. Advising to email your specific comments on this or any of the other committees to the GPUupdate@loomis.ca.gov where the comments will be sent to the entire team, noted in the file and addressed. She also commented that everyone on the committee look at the Town's mission and evaluate for yourselves if the statement is still relevant today.

COMMITTEE COMMENT

Tim Onkerko – asked that the Tree Ordinance fee schedule be revisited..

Jean Wilson – Clarified some of the reasoning behind the 2014 tree Ordinance.

Maureen Valli – Asked about protection policies for specific habitats and sites within Loomis, and asked if there are major Open Spaces or natural features that are under the direct control of the Town of Loomis, especially in the area of wetlands

Lorraine Thiebaud – Asked about the 15-20 year plan and how does climate change fit into this plan, including the effect of tree canopies and Heat inlands.

Jesse Lunsford – asked for clarification of the planting of Oak trees, 5 mile radius??

Tim Onderko – Asked for recommendation on Oak tree planting options.

Jeff Duncan – Also asked about tree planning options, Oak Woodland Trusts

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(Materials relating to an item on this agenda can be obtained at Town Hall (3665 Taylor Road) or on the Town's website at www.loomis.ca.gov)

Jean Wilson – Commented on the possibility of using Open Space fees collected to purchase areas to use as “tree banks” She also commented on our tree canopy (40%) – and asked about a policy designed to protect our a certain percentage of our tree canopy. Encourage neighboring properties to establish a contiguous conservation easements.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jan Clark-Crets – commented on the need to look at and protect the tree canopy, as well as the very real fire danger and advised we assess to find a happy medium. She also asked about fire protection and allowing the clearing the area under our tree canopies.

RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT

- » Review the Biological Resources Setting Section
 - <https://loomis.ca.gov/2020-general-plan-update/>
- » Identify key issues to address for this General Plan Update in regards to this topic
- » Submit comments
 - GUpdate@loomis.ca.gov

Click on the following link to view the live stream video of this subcommittee meeting

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vf9B2zfZMDc&t=49s>

NEXT MEETING: May 13,2021 - 7:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT: 8:08 PM

Signed, 04/27/2021 at Loomis, California.

Carol Parker

Carol Parker, Planning Assistant