



Open Space Meeting Minutes

December 1, 2015

Attendees: Lisa Ahrens, Jason Allen, Arn Allemand, Kahle Becker, Tim Breuer, Steve Clay, Jim Cornwell, Bill Junk, Kim Lyons, Jody Mabe, Sid Tomlinson, Chuck Vertrees, Brian White, Ken Winer,

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Meeting minutes of the Open Space Meeting of November 3, 2015 were with changes:

- 3. Master Plan: Include purpose of meeting and name of consultant
- 4. Staff Report: Identify where Kim Lyons presented new location for the bike project and include new trail name
- 6. New Business: Include addition details regarding Storm Water Collection area on Sage Creek

The order of business for the Open Space Committee meeting was as follows:

1. Intent to Participate / Annual Meeting

- Reminder to group to submit Intent to Participate form prior to the Annual Meeting

2. Master Plan

- Tim Breuer, Chuck Vertrees and Lisa Ahrens met with Ellen Campfield Nelson, Agnewbeck consultant assisting Boise City / Ridge to Rivers regarding best practices for communication and process with regard to trails and trail use.
- The meeting with Ellen Campfield was beneficial providing suggestions for communication and workshop efforts in Hidden Springs. Good publicity and focused questions are important to success.
 - i. It was suggested that information be posted in the Library.
- 2014 Survey Results and 2010 Trail Assessment were shared with the Committee (see attached).
- What process does Open Space want to follow going forward? Should a framework vs. project specific direction be developed? Yearly projects could be identified out of the framework.
- Overall members in attendance supported a framework/roadmap approach with specific projects developing out of the framework/roadmap each year.
 - i. Trails (maintenance, new, connections use, loops/flows)
 - ii. Firewise
 - iii. Noxious Weeds
 - iv. Farm Fields (alfalfa, corn, pumpkins, berries)
 - v. Orchard
 - vi. Wetlands
 - vii. Wildlife
 - viii. Open Space (maintenance, repair, restoration, access control)

- It was suggested that Farm Fields and Orchard fall under the guidance of the Farm Committee vs. Open Space. A popular suggestion was to have a member or two of the Open Space Committee attend and represent/serve as a liaison with the Farm Committee.
- Next Steps:
 - i. Tim Breuer and Chuck Vertrees will work on a first draft of survey questions.
 - ii. A large map should be brought to next meeting for discussion and mark up.

3. New Business

Dog/Mutt Mitt Station that used to be located near the “old” bridge over the creek should be re-installed along with a trashcan.

Next meeting – January 5th

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm

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