



Open Space Meeting Minutes

January 5, 2016

Attendees: Lisa Ahrens, Kahle Becker, Bill Junk, Jay Karamales, Kim Lyons, Aimee Noonan, Eddy Petranek, Chuck Vertrees, Tim Wagner, Heidi Wagner

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

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

December 6th Meeting Minutes

- Minutes approved

2017 Kick Off / Priorities

- Continuing projects in action
- Maintenance items
- Water Tower Loop / maintenance and easements

Staff Report – Town Manager

- Due to family emergency, annual meeting and holidays Lisa Ahrens shared that follow up on items has been slower than anticipated
- Pending items include
 - Schedule Firewise meeting
 - Trail Crew / volunteers liability concerns

Bike Project Update – Eddy Petranek

- No update at this time. Covered in snow.

Farm Update (Tim Wagner)

- Planning will begin in February
- Meeting and work nights will be Wednesdays for 2017

New Business

- Open Fire Pit concerns
 - Review Design Guidelines and CC&Rs with regard to open pits and proximity to open space
 - Check lot designations
 - Be prepared ahead of time
 - Burn Ban – Restrictions are restrictions
- Review components of Open Space – Firewise, Farm, Wetlands, Wildlife, etc.
 - Function and structure of Open Space – suggested that Chairs of each component attend and report back at each OSM
 - Can new or additional money be allocated for other areas of open space?
 - Should dollars and priorities be more formalized?

- Firewise
 - Lisa to bring a map of the areas now included in the 2017 – 2020 Hopkins contract for wild fire mitigation/fire break
- Wetland
 - Lisa to follow up Rob Feterman regarding wetlands designation

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm

Next Meeting

- Tuesday February 7th