



Open Space Meeting Minutes

May 1, 2018

Attendees: Lisa Ahrens, Tim Breuer, Kevin Dow, Jay Karamales, Kim Lyons, Aimee Noonan, Eddy Petranek, Tae Swoboda, Chuck Vertrees

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Quorum was present. Notes on the discussion at the Open Space Committee meeting follows:

April 3, 2018 Meeting Minutes

- The minutes were approved unanimously.

Scout Project Presentation

- Long Benches Along Dry Creek – Project presented by Jeremy Webster
 - a. Project concept unanimously approved
 - b. Jeremy to report back to Town Manager/Open Space with final bench design
 - c. Open Space to respond with preferred locations along creek
- Rolling Hills Common Area Restoration – Project presented by Kyle Campbell
 - a. Project concept unanimously approved
 - b. Kyle to provide more detail once he has met with Idaho Firewise and others regarding restoration

Unofficial Trail behind W. Long Meadow

- Topic tabled until June 5th meeting
- Official trails vs. Un-Official trails procedure – Refer to Policy 500

Dry Creek Ranch Update – Jay Karamales

- Preliminary Construction Underway
- Preliminary plat is approved, two years to file for final approval (Feb 2019)
- <https://www.savedrycreek.org/>

Staff Report – Lisa Ahrens / Tim Breuer

Community Clean Up

- Successful community event with 50 people participating

Ridge to Rivers Trails on Hidden Springs Property – Leashed vs. Off-Leash

- Recent signage installed at property boundaries requires dogs to be leashed
- Ridge to Rivers requests clarification from HSTA.
- Per the CC&R's the requirement for all HS property is "pets shall be confined or leashed (or otherwise controlled by electronic device) at all times when outside any Improvements on the Lot owned by the Owner of the pet, so as to confine the pet to the boundaries of its Owner's Lot, and pets shall be leashed at all times when outside any Lot..."

- Due to the increased number of off-leash and aggressive dog incidents, HSTA recommends following the governing documents and asking Ridge to Rivers to change HS trail designations on their maps (starting 2019) and on their Facebook page (May 2018). HSTA to send an email announcement to residents notifying them of the correction (May 2018).
- Hidden Springs CC&Rs state:

6.10 Animals/Pets. Unless expressly permitted by the Association Rules, no animals, livestock or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred, or kept in or about any Lot, Common Area, Restricted Area or Maintenance Property, except that dogs, cats or other common household pets may be kept in Lots; provided that they are not kept, bred or maintained for any commercial purposes and provided further that any such pet causing or creating a nuisance or unreasonable disturbance shall be permanently removed from a Lot by the Owner of the pet, upon three (3) days written notice from the Town Association or applicable Neighborhood Association. Unless expressly permitted by the Association Rules, pets shall be confined or leashed (or otherwise controlled by electronic device) at all times when outside any Improvements on the Lot owned by the Owner of the pet, so as to confine the pet to the boundaries of its Owner's Lot, and pets shall be leashed at all times when outside any Lot. An Owner shall immediately remove such Owner's pet's excrement from public or private property. No pit bull terriers (or such other breed of dog which the Town Association determines to pose a threat to the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Hidden Springs) shall be allowed on any portion of the Hidden Springs Property. No venomous or dangerous snakes or insects shall be kept on any portion of the Hidden Springs Property.

Jr. Site Crew

- Interested teens interviewed April 7th
- HSTA has hired 10 residents (5 for Grounds Crew and 5 for Farm Crew)
- Farm Crew tasks include – Seeding, harvesting, weeding, spreading mulch, watering, debris and litter removal.
- Site Crew tasks include – Weeding, painting, grounds clean-up, equipment maintenance and cleaning, facility inspection and clean-up.

Noxious Weed Abatement

- Hopkins sprayed Poison Hemlock along Dry Creek and neighboring areas first three weeks of April.
- Hopkins is now spraying for White Top.

Wildfire Community Preparedness Day

- Information distributed door to door
- Currently 28 residents have signed up
- Social Media and email blasts regarding Wildfire information and the event went out last week

Reroute of upper ridge trail due to proposed water tank project

- Good time to reroute trail to other side due to the addition of a water tank by Suez on land adjacent to Hidden Springs

Committee Reports

Farm

The last few weeks the farm committee has been busy:

- Weeding in the perennial, row crop and upick areas
- Planted leeks
- Planted bulbs in the perennial flower area
- Tended the asparagus
- Placed more mulch along the main path and along the south side of the raspberries

- Harvested rhubarb
- Cleared more rocks from the upick area

Bike Area

- Cinco de Mayo volunteer day

New Business

- Committee requested “Dark Sky” reminder go out to community

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Next Meeting is **Tuesday, June 5th**