



Open Space Meeting Minutes

July 14, 2016

Attendees: Lisa Ahrens, Kahle Becker, Tim Breuer, Bill Junk, Jay Karamales, Aimee Noonan, Eddy Petranek, Phil Schoensee, Bruce Shaffley, Chuck Vertrees, Heidi Wagner, Brian White,

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

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

June 11th Meeting Minutes

- Bill Junk made a motion to approve the June 11th meeting minutes as written.
- Second by Kahle Becker and unanimously approved

Bike Project Update (Bike Area Committee)

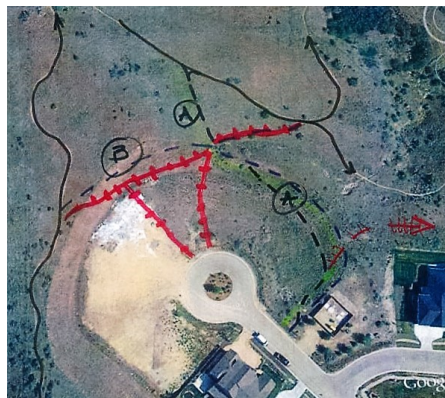
- Phase 1 going well and almost complete - Phase 2 and 3 have begun
- Once construction is complete, clean-up will begin
- Next steps - review ground maintenance plan for the area and future restoration and enhancement efforts for surrounding area/grounds impacted by construction

Farm Update (Tim/Heidi Wagner)

- Volunteers meet Monday evenings and Friday mornings to harvest, weed and de-bug – garden looks great
- Irrigation is operating well
- Volunteers will consider mid-season planting options for fall harvest

Rolling Hills Trails Project (Chuck Vertrees)

- With the Open Space Committees' recommendation, the Town Council approved the following changes to the trail system:
 - Deactivate and realign a path that was unauthorized/undersigned as reflected by designation "3" and "4" (attached) and in greater detail below as "B"
 - Formalize a social trail to provide access to the Red Tail Trail as reflected by designation "2" (attached) and in greater detail below as "A"



- Tim will provide a sketch and materials list
- Next steps – stake out and source construction materials
- Chuck to identify and communicate volunteer opportunities for project

Staff Report (Lisa Ahrens / Tim Breuer)

Open Space 5 Year Strategic Work Plan

- Tim Breuer discussed the Open Space Workshop results and shared a draft of the Open Space and Trails 5 year Strategic Work Plan
- The Committee was asked to read thru the document, track changes and return to Tim via email by August 1st
- Tim also asked the group to consider how OS will share and obtain community input on the Work Plan

Currant Creek Trail to Chukar Butte Trail Connection

- - At the Workshop, attendees were divided into teams and asked to mark-up maps following the merits of the project relative to others in the community and HSTA founding principles as well as purpose, need and future maintenance
 - Next steps include establishing a criteria to analyze a project
 - Tim would like feedback on documents shared
 - Currant Creek Connection
 - Road Easement
 - Grossman's didn't want trail to follow Easement
 - A survey was done
 - Couple of trail options
 - Meeting with R2R / Dave Gordon
 - Field trip to review options
 - Focus for fall / late September or early October?
- Open Space Maintenance Update
 - Crews continue to concentrate on noxious weeds – white top and poison hemlock
 - Mowing and trimming of common areas throughout the community including areas along access roads and trails
 - Irrigation repairs – Open space along Poplar Creek
- Great Outdoors Wrap Up
 - Weather not great / rainy
 - 23 vendors present out of the 24 vendors invited
 - 540 meals served
 - Climbing wall and Firewise plant samples were a big hit
- 2016 Southwest Idaho Wildfire Mitigation Forum Update tabled until the next meeting

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm

Next Meetings

- Thursday July 14th
- Thursday August 11th
- Tuesday September 6th