

Open Space Advisory Committee Meeting
Thursday April 3rd, 2014
6:00 pm, Regular Meeting
City Hall (Council Chambers)

Call to Order / Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:05pm. Those in attendance were Dave Belin, Chair, Erin Frazier, Vice Chairperson, Lynn Riedel, Mark Dowling, Bob Spillman, Allison Hamm, Jeff Moline, Martin Ogle and Monte Stevenson, Director of Parks, Open Space and Golf.

Items from the Public

Grant Swift spoke in appreciation of Jeff Moline's service to the City of Lafayette's Open Space program.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Erin Frazier *to approve the March, 2014 minutes*. The motion was seconded by Bob Spillman and passed unanimously.

Reports

Director Monte Stevenson formally invited the committee to attend the Volunteer Reception on April 15th in honor of the 156 volunteers who helped open space staff rebuild the Coal Creek and Rock Creek West trails from 2013 flood damage.

In honor of Jeff Moline's service as the Open Space Superintendent, from February of 2007 to April 4, 2014, Monte Stevenson paid a tribute to the legacy Jeff left behind by highlighting Jeff's accomplishments over the years. LOSAC members joined in by thanking Jeff and paying him tribute.

[LOSAC convened for a short break to celebrate Jeff Moline's accomplishments over refreshments]

Topics for Discussion

Education and Outreach Programming. Martin Ogle's continued plan to serve as a contractor to Open Space. Martin briefed the committee on his work-to-date as well as his upcoming specific programming ideas for the April-July 2014 contract period.

Mark Dowling brought up the Outdoor Classroom which he feels is being under utilized. His concern was presented to the committee and Martin. Mark suggests that Outdoor Classroom be addressed in future sessions and a strategy be established to utilize the venue for educational outreach programming.

Jeff Moline suggests that the future of the Open Space superintendent be slanted toward stewardship and slightly less on programming. Monte was in agreement with

this projection. Monte clarified the schedule on the new hire of Open Space and detailed the priority projects for this summer which will fall under the duties of the new superintendent. Monte recommended that Martin run with future programming with the utilization of volunteers, leaving the superintendent more available for stewardship duties.

Arbor Day. The plan for April 19th was outlined by Monte. He advised the committee that Arbor Day would take place on April 19th at 9:00am. Activities to be included are: EAB discussion, reading of proclamation, and planting of a new tree in Waneka Lake Park. Monte advised the committee on tree species possibilities for planting. Dan Finn, Parks Superintendent will take the lead on Arbor Day event.

Disc Golf Course at Waneka Lake was addressed and concerns were discussed. Monte advised the committee on the current situation and upcoming plans to implement the course.

The Coal Creek Trail recovery plan was addressed. Monte advised the committee on the ongoing plans for trail repair and schedule for complete re-opening including detours and combined construction sites.

Member Updates

Dave Belin advised that he will not be present for the May 2014 LOSAC meeting.

Planning Updates and Review

There were no items to review.

Next Agenda

Items for the next meeting include: prairie dogs; encroachments; debrief Arbor Day; progress on Public Road and 120th pedestrian crosswalks; goals and assignments for committee members; possibility of Outdoor Classroom musical performances.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Erin Frazier *to adjourn*. Mark Dowling seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Chairperson _____ Date _____

Administrative
Coordinator _____ Date _____