

OPEN SPACE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 24, 2019
1:30 pm
Open Space Visitor Center
6500 Coors Blvd NW

Members Present

Chris Green (Chair), Rene Horvath, Michael Scisco, Tasia Young, Twyla McComb, Alan Reed

Members Absent

None

Staff Members Present

Colleen McRoberts (Superintendent, Open Space Division), David Flores (Acting Associate Director, Parks and Recreation Department), Amanda Romero (Senior Administrative Assistant, Open Space Division), James Lewis (Assistant Superintendent, Open Space Division)

Visitors Present

Linda Shank (citizen), Don Britt (COA Real Property), Richard Shackley (citizen), Joe Horvath (citizen), Jerold Widdison (citizen), Shanna Schultz (City Council), Isaac Padilla (COA Mayor's office), Chris Daniel (COA OFAS), Barbara Taylor (citizen), Peggy Norton (citizen), Brad Bingham (AMAFCA), Jeff Wills (AMAFCA), Jerry Lovato (AMAFCA)

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chair Chris Green called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Item #8 defer to next meeting.

Alan Reed moved approval of the agenda; second by Twyla McComb. Motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

3. Approval 8.27.19 minutes

Correct item #9 from unrepresented to **unprecedented** and corrected **for approval** not or approval.

Tasia Young moved approval of the 8.27.19 minutes; second by Rene Horvath. Motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

4. Public comment

Peggy Norton – Hubble oxbow J&T Farms contract renewal for 5 years. Is there a current contract after the 2010? Open Space staff will research and update board and Peggy Norton.

Shanna Schultz (City Council) she and Isaac Padilla (Mayor's Office) looked up the contract and it has not yet been heard by committee. It is likely to be heard at the October meeting.

Shanna Schultz (City Council) – On October 7, 2019, City Council will hear consideration for two new appointments to the OSAB, which are Barbara Taylor and Scott Forester.

5. Announcements and Correspondence

None

6. Real Property Report

Don Britt (COA Real Property) gave update to board. Tijeras Arroyo acquisition is having title issues. In the process of clearing everything up. Crestview Bluff – appraisal is in the works and should have it in by November 22, 2019.

7. Presentation: Crestview Bluff

Mr. Isaac Padilla (Mayor's Office) gave a presentation on Crestview Bluff.

Shanna Schultz (City Council) The resolution that Councilor Pena has out there to appropriate funds was deferred two city council meetings ago, it will back up for consideration on October 7, 2019.

A field trip could be scheduled to visit the property once the new board members are on.

8. Action: Acquisition Priorities Document

Deferred to next meeting.

9. Presentation: Open Space Trust Fund

Chris Daniel (COA OFAS) went over the Open Space Trust Fund numbers with the board.

10. Discussion: North Geologic Window Dam

AMAFCA updated the board about the North Geologic Window Dam - it will be a successful project if approved. Chair Chris Green asked that we pull audio from the July 23, 2019 meeting to get a better sense on the motion that was made.

Motions from July 23, 2019:

Motion: Michael Jensen moved that we approve both the N. Geologic Window Dam / Hubbell Dam Expansion; Tasia Young seconded. Motion carried 5-1 (Rene Horvath)

Motion: Rene Horvath moved to defer to next meeting, NO SECOND, Motion FAILED.

AMAFCA is explained that the dam is going to be a great benefit. Rene asked why they don't build it west of Atrisco Vista Rd. AMAFCA explained there is not enough storage and that is why they have chosen these locations. The water will be held for no more than 96 hours. For Hubble dam it will drain in the Isleta drain by Las Estancias. The water will go through other dams before it gets to the Hubbell. Water will be clean and clear of any trash. NO trash will gather up by the North Geologic Window Dam and the Hubbell Dam. Twyla questions AMAFCA about the use of Federal funds for the purchase of lands for the Monument area. The Open Space Board did not know about these restrictions until it was recently brought to their attention after they had already voted to allow the dam in July 2019.

11. Briefing from OS staff on current projects

Colleen McRoberts (OS Superintendent) updated the board on OS projects and current events.

Open Space positions update – Planner closed on 9/23 and a new position will be created: Educator Anderson Farms was purchased by Bernalillo County, allowing us to remove it off our list.

12. Action: Language for IDO Amendments

Deferred to next meeting

13. Discussion: Designation of a sub-committee to review projects submittals

Keep on agenda - ongoing

14. Adjournment

Motion: Tasia Young moved to adjourn the meeting; second by Alan Reed. *Motion carried unanimously, 6-0.* Meeting adjourned at 4:34pm.