MINUTES FOR THE
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
August 26, 2014

Members
Griff Lechner
Rodger Sack
Loren Hines
Janet Saiers
John Kwait
Michael Jenson

STAFF
Matthew Schmader, Open Space Superintendent
Nicole Trujillo, Open Space Division

OTHERS PRESENT
Barbara Baca, Director, Parks and Recreation
Mark Chavez, Open Space Assistant Superintendent
Jerrold Widdison, Interested Citizen
Rene Horvath, Interested Citizen
Kent Swanson, Open Space Planner
James Lewis, Parks Planner
Carrie Barkhurst, COA Planning Department

Meeting Convened at 1:37 PM

Introductions were made by all present

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Griff Lechner announced that he attended the 30th anniversary and the Open Space volunteer party both held at the Open Space Visitor Center.

Janet Saiers stated that advocates for the Open Space need to be more proactive. She states that the City is working on the 2015 budget and would like for funding in general to be an agenda item for the September meeting.

Michael Jenson announced that he has resigned from Amigos Bravos.

Michael Jenson announced that the Water Utility Authority has 3 mitigation projects on the NW, SW, and SE sides of the Paseo Del Norte Bridge

Matthew Schmader announced that he would like the board to take a field trip to the Habitat Alteration areas for the October meeting.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES
A motion was made by Janet Saiers to approve the minutes from the July 22, 2014 Meeting. The motion was seconded by Michael Jenson. The Motion was voted on and passed on a 6 – 0 vote.

UPDATE: RIO GRANDE VALLEY STATE PARK IMPROVEMENTS AND BOSQUE ACTION PLAN

Matthew Schmader stated that SWCA will give a draft of the final environmental monitoring report at the September meeting

BIKEWAYS AND TRAILS MASTER PLAN:

Carrie Barkhurst gives a presentation on the Bikeways and Trails Master Plan.

Carrie goes over the history going back to 1974 when the City first started looking at bikeways.

1993 is when the Trails and Bikeways plan was adopted and at time the City built 39 miles of trails.

The link to the Bikeways and Trails Master Plan is as follows;


Meeting adjourned at 3:47 PM