

OPEN SPACE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 28, 2019
1:30 pm
Open Space Visitor Center
6500 Coors Blvd NW

Members Present

Chris Green (Chair), Rene Horvath, Alan Reed, Michael Jensen, Tasia Young, Twyla McComb, Don Couchman

Members Absent

None

Staff Members Present

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

Visitors Present

Jerry Widdison (citizen), Linda Shank (citizen), Barbara Taylor (citizen), Brad Bingham (AMAFCA), Jeffery Willis (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

Don Britt will not be here today, moving up agenda item 9 AMAFCA – N. Geologic Window Dam/Hubbell Dam Expansion up being the “new” 6. Also, moving agenda item 12 Follow up discussion on East Mountain Regional Trails up before item 7 Briefing from OS staff on current projects.

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

3. Approval 4.23.19 minutes

One correction - #7 under East Mountain Regional Trails Council, Tom Madden name correction to Mike Madden.

Motion: Tasia Young moved to approve April 23, 2019 minutes, Alan Reed seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

4. Public comment

No comments

5. Announcements and Correspondence

Alan Reed presented potential amendments to the IDO to the Board.

Adjacent site plan reg: DRAFT

Please note:

Development plans for property adjacent to the City Open Space must be submitted to the OSAB for review and advice prior to submittal to the Environmental Planning Commission.

This could be inserted in the index at the front of the IDO manual and included in the first provisions in the OS regulation section.

Alan suggests to have 2-3 members of the board to be on call to do an initial review of submittals for projects adjacent to OS.

Chris thinks this could go on the next agenda instead of talking about it now
This will be on the agenda for June for discussion.

6. AMAFCA – N. Geologic Window Dam/Hubbell Dam Expansion

Jerry Lovato – Brad Bingham – Jerry Willis gave a presentation about the N. Geologic Window Dam/Hubbell Dam Expansion

Motion: Michael Jensen moved to add this to next month's agenda, Alan Reed seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

12. Follow up discussion on East Mountain Regional Trails

Alan Reed continued the discussion from last month's meeting regarding the proposed mountain bike trail across the Sandia Wilderness on the West Face of the Sandia Mountains. The proposal included a request to Congress to move the Wilderness boundary to allow the trail to be developed adjacent to city boundaries. Superintendent Langan-McRoberts said the OS Division was not planning such a trail through the Wilderness boundary.

7. Briefing from OS staff on current projects

Colleen Langan-McRoberts, OSD Superintendent presented on OSD projects and upcoming events. Brandon Gibson, PRD Associate Director stated the UNM office of Archeology started their review at Singing Arrow. Mr. Gibson went on a tour with Mayor Keller and Councilor Pena over at Crestview Bluff to review the project.

8. Resource Management Plan for Candelaria Nature Preserve

Michael Jensen discussed the issues with the Candelaria Nature Preserve. Next TAG meeting is June 6, 2019. The plan will likely be presented to the Board at our August meeting.

9. Rules of Procedure for Board Members

Alan Reed discussed the Rules of Procedures for Board Members.

Motion: Don Couchman moved that we insert the Rules of Procedure for the Board (2/18/19) into the manual, Tasia Young seconded.

After discussion, and acknowledgement that procedures are already in place for Board meetings, it was suggested that the proposed rules be reviewed against these existing procedures.

Substitute Motion: Tasia Young moved to defer the discussion to next meeting, Rene Horvath seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-1 (Don Couchman)

10. Priority Acquisition List

Board discussed the Priority list. Michael Jensen suggested all board members review the list and come back next meeting with their ideas. Open Space Superintendent Langan-McRoberts suggested we defer this item to next meeting, making it high on the agenda.

Motion: Alan Reed moved to defer to next meeting June 25, 2019, making it a top agenda item, Tasia Young seconded. Motion carried unanimously, 7-0

11. Adjournment

Motion: Alan Reed moved to adjourn the meeting; second by Tasia Young. *Motion carried unanimously, 7-0.* Meeting adjourned at 4:56 pm.