



**CITY OF MANITOU SPRINGS
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SUMMARY AGENDA
Council Chambers – 606 Manitou Avenue
Monday, August 26, 2019**



I. CALL TO ORDER & ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEMBER OPENINGS

A Regular Meeting of the Manitou Springs Open Space Advisory Committee was held in Council Chambers @ 606 Manitou Avenue. Chairman Maio called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm and declared a quorum present. The following Committee members attended:

PRESENT: Michael Maio, Chair
Sheryl Cline, Committee Member
Shannon Solomon, Committee Member
Anthony “TJ” Maltese, Committee Member
Gary Michels, Committee Member
Andrea Sutela, Alternate Committee Member (6:10 pm)

ABSENT: Nancy Wilson, Vice Chair (excused)
Sue Graham, Committee Member

GUESTS: Timothy Bresnahan, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Shanti Toll, Manitou CATS
Steve Snyder, Local Archaeologist
Robert Houdek, Mediawerx
Candice Hall, Palmer Land Trust

1. Two Alternates needed. Pending Application of Amanda Taylor. (1mins)

Chairman Maio introduced Amanda Taylor, who was present at the meeting, to the Open Space Advisory Committee Members and stated she was considering becoming an Alternate Member of the Committee.

2. Current Municipal Ordinance Provisions governing OSAC (1 min)

Chairman Maio stated this was an accidental carry over from a previous agenda and did not have anything to discuss regarding the Ordinance.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. July 22, 2019

MOTION:

Committee Member Solomon moved to approve the July 22, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes of the Open Space Advisory Committee with the following amendments:

- 1) Addition of the date, time, and location of the meeting

SECOND:

Committee Member Cline seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION:

There was no discussion regarding the motion.

VOTE:

Motion passed 3-0. Committee Members Michels and Maltese abstained as they were not present for the July 22, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Open Space Advisory Committee.

III. BOARD TRAINING

The Committee watched a CIRSA Training video regarding liability and mitigating those risks through best

practices. City Attorney, Jeff Parker, followed up the video with a brief overview of avoiding liability and answered any questions the Committee had regarding the training and liability.

IV. AGENDA REVIEW and PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There was no Public Comment for the Committee to consider.

V. PARKS & REC ADVISORY BOARD (PARAB) UPDATE – Chris Grow and Tim Bresnahan (5-10 mins.)

Timothy Bresnahan, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Member, stated the Board had made a recommendation to City Council to deny the proposed amendments to the Subdivision Plat regarding the Wichita Parking Lot.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Election of Officers-Secretary or adoption of alternating secretarial responsibilities (5 mins.)

Chairman Maio introduced the Committee to Aaron Schultz, who was hired by the City to fulfill the secretary responsibilities for the boards, commissions, and committees under the umbrella of the City's Planning Department.

2. Manitou Springs Annual Tree Planting Program (5 mins.)

Chairman Maio stated the information provided was provided to inform the Committee of the upcoming event and there was no discussion needed regarding the item.

3. Medicine Wheel Update (5 mins.)

Alternate Committee Member Sutela stated her husband, Cory Sutela, was unable to attend the meeting due to a scheduling conflict. Chairman Maio stated there was a press release which had been released by Mr. Sutela of the Medicine Wheel which was found in the packet for this item.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Report Signage-S. Graham, N. Wilson; M. Maio, D. Becker and Kim Johnson (30-35 mins.)-

Guest: Robert Houdek

Robert Houdek of Mediawerx stated he had asked to be placed on the agenda to ask the Committee to reconsider the three-dimensional maps for the trail head signs. Kimberly Johnson, Planning Director, stated the Committee and Staff had already performed many hours of work relating to this project and the Committee had already made their decision regarding the maps. Ms. Johnson stated there was still, however, a possibility that Mediawerx may be utilized for some of the graphic design elements related to the trail head signs. Mr. Houdek thanked the Committee for their time and stated he looked forward to working with the City on this project.

2. 2020 Budget-Subcommittee (N. Wilson, K. Johnson, D Becker and M Maio-30 mins)

Chairman Maio stated he and Vice Chair Wilson had met with Kimberly Johnson, Planning Director, regarding the 2020 Open Space Budget. Ms. Johnson stated she had submitted her budgets to the Finance Director and City Council, but City Council did not discuss the Open Space Budget at any length or depth. Ms. Johnson stated the City Council seemed unconcerned as the Committee had its own designated source of funding. Ms. Johnson stated she would send out the date for the City Council meeting in which the boards, commissions, and committees are expected to be present regarding budgets.

3. Report-Land Acquisitions and Donations-G. Michels, S. Solomon and M. Maio (10-15mins.)

A. Waldo Canyon Report- S. Solomon and M. Maio (5 mins.)

- i. E-Mail Correspondence from Jennifer Peterson, dated 8-22-2019
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Chairman Maio stated Jennifer Peterson of the Rocky Mountain Field Institute had been updating him on the happenings of the Waldo Canyon meetings and two (2) email correspondences from her were found in the packet for this item.

B. Acquisition/Donation Properties-S. Solomon and M. Maio

Chairman Maio announced he had spoken to Cavan Daly-McGrew who had been considering the donation of some land she owned near the Peakview area. Chairman Maio stated Ms. McGrew was now considering retaining ownership of the land and allowing conservation easements to be implemented on her parcels. After some discussion, the Committee determined it would like to put a time limit on the conservation easements for a period of five (5) years.

MOTION:

Committee Member Solomon moved to forward a recommendation to City Council for approval of conservation easements for the purpose of conservation and establishing further Open Space for the City of Manitou Springs on 0 Kiowa Road (74054-22-001), 0 Peakview Boulevard (74054-20-001), 0 Oklahoma Road (74054-21-002), and 0 Oklahoma Road (74054-21-010) under the ownership of Cavan Daly-McGrew in which the conservation easements are limited to a five (5) year period and at which time the easements will be re-evaluated for continuation.

SECOND:

Committee Member Cline seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION:

There was no discussion regarding the motion.

VOTE:

Motion passed, 6-0.

4. Report Trail/Open Spaces Maintenance-T.J. Maltese, S. Solomon, N. Wilson, G. Michels and M. Maio

A. Intemann Trail Re-route

Shanti Toll of the Manitou CATS stated work had begun on the Intemann Trail reroute and if the Committee was interested in performing a site visit on their own accord, he requested those visiting use the trail up the ravine which was used by his crew. Mr. Toll stated the ends of the reroute were the most critical points of the work and advised visitors to abstain from exploring these two (2) areas.

B. Correspondence with C.J. Runge (10-15 mins) GOCO/CYCA Grant

Chairman Maio stated he had received correspondence from CJ Runge of the Mile High Youth Corps regarding a grant for 2020 from Great Outdoors Colorado. The Committee, after some discussion, felt they were unsure whether they had a project for the coming year which could utilize this grant, as there were some uncertainties surrounding the proposed Sheep Mountain Trail. The Committee determined it would discuss next year's priorities at the annual retreat.

Committee Member Solomon stated he had come across a tent in the middle of Intemann Trail several days prior and he had contacted the authorities. Committee Member Solomon commented the tent remained in place for the next three (3) days following the incident and inquired who the police contact was regarding campsites. Chairman Maio responded the police contact was named Officer Johnson and he would send out his email contact following the meeting.

5. .Open Space Report

A. Update-Management Plans for Iron Mountain and Black Canyon Cultural Assets-S. Solomon and M. Maio, D. Becker (10-15 mins.)

Committee Member Solomon stated he was still working on the update of the Iron Mountain Land Management Plan.

Dylan Becker, Planner I, provided the Committee with an update on the progress of the archaeological survey on the Black Canyon Open Space.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business before the Committee, Chairman Maio adjourned the meeting at 7:48 pm.